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"I can do nothing of My own self. As I hear, I judge, and My judgment is just, because I do not seek My own will, but the will of the Father who has sent Me."

John 5:30 (MKJV)

I can do nothing of my own self. Nothing can I do, says Y'shua Jesus. What say I of myself? I might say, "Oh, yes, it was marvelous." Yesterday I did this or that or some other thing. Do I need to, in my speech, constantly say, "Oh, yes, I was blessed. Yesterday the Lord enabled me to... do this or that or some other thing.

Perhaps. Perhaps not. It's all in the attitude. But if my words are indications of my attitude, then if I say "I do" this or that, I'm implying that I am the one doing, not G-d or His Spirit working through me.

Concerning future events or plans, James says to us, **"Come now, those saying, 'Today or tomorrow we will. . .' Instead, say 'If the Lord wills. . .'" (James 4:15).** "If the Lord wills!" I believe it is the attitude of submission that enables us to set aside ourselves and live according to the Spirit. In a note in the Billy Graham Training Center Bible, we are to **"consciously surrender [ourselves] to the Holy Spirit."**

I think of Paul traveling to Jerusalem to deliver relief to Jewish believers there. **Luke (Acts 21:11-14)** tells us: "And coming to us, and taking Paul's belt, and binding his hands and feet, he said, 'The Holy Spirit says these things: So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man whose belt this is, and will deliver him into the hands of the nations.' And when we heard these things, both we and those

of the place begged him not to go up to Jerusalem. Then Paul answered, 'What are you doing, weeping and breaking my heart? For I am ready not only to be bound, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.' And as he was not persuaded, we ceased, saying, 'The will of the Lord be done.' "

Luke relays to us that there is opposition to our walk in submission to the Lord. Paul tells us he is prepared for all events, thus those who would persuade him to not follow through on his trip now release him, allowing that the Lord's will should be done.

Here, observe that Paul is an example of walking according to the Spirit of G-d, rather than that of his contemporaries. He displays the work of God in his life. Look at the way Y'shua Jesus points to the works that are done through Him saying that " **...the very works I do bear witness of Me. . .**" (John 5:36)

What works are we to expect that will bear witness of G-d in us? Are the works of the Spirit in us not the "Fruits" Paul wrote about in his letter to the **Galatians 5:22**? These are the fruits of love, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

The Spirit works in us, as we submit to Him. As we are more and more filled with His Spirit, led by the Spirit, we do not walk according to the flesh. We are also a witness to others of G-d in us. "We will know they are Christians by their love." The fruit of the Spirit, through our submission to Him, works in us and bears witness that we are Children of the Living God. How awesome it is. How awesome is our God!

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