

Battle of Wills

~Other Speakers S-Z: Mary Wilder Tileston:

The will of the Lord be done. ACTS 21:14

BUT if in parallel to Thine
My will doth meekly run,
All things in heaven and earth are mine,
My will is crossed by none;
Thou art in me,
And I in Thee,-Thy will--and mine--are done!
W. M. L. JAY

SUFFERINGS arising from anxiety, in which the soul adds, to the cross imposed by the hand of God, an agitated resistance, and a sort of unwillingness to suffer,--such troubles arise only because we live to ourselves. A cross wholly inflicted by God, and fully accepted without any uneasy hesitation, is full of peace as well as of pain. On the contrary, a cross not fully and simply accepted, but resisted by the love of self, even slightly, is a double cross; it is even more a cross, owing to this useless resistance, than through the pain it necessarily entails.

FRANCOIS DE LA MOTHE FÉNELON

The basis of all peace of mind, and what must be obtained before we get that peace, is a cessation of the conflict of two wills-His and ours.

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