

Gods will can be “hidden” to us because:

1. The worlds influence
2. Lack of Biblical knowledge
3. Traditions
4. Hard heart
5. Apathy / disobedience
6. Reasoning / rationalizing
7. Busy-ness

It is revealed from:

1. Withdrawl / solitude
2. Read scripture
3. New experiences
4. Repentance
5. Obedience
6. Spirit led living
7. Slowing our routines
8. Be still, listen

Hidden / Hindered:

To get in the way, delay progress, interfere, obstruct,

Disobedience – Duet. 1:26,43,45 / 1 Sam 13:12,13, & 14:36 Prov 28:9, Ezek 20:1-3

Secret sin – Psalm 66:18-20 / Josh 7:6-10

Indecisiveness – James 1:6-8

Family dissension – 1 Peter 3:7

Unforgiveness – Matt 5:23,24 / 6:14,15

Worry / doubt – Matt 6:25-34

Selfish motives – James 4:3

See also – matt 20:20-22 / Duet 3:23,26 / 2 sam 12:16 / 2 cor 12:7-10

Revealed:

Matt 7:7 - ⁷“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ⁸For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

Jer 29:13 - You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

John 10:27 - ²⁷ My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

Acts 17:27 - God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. ²⁸‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’

Heb 11:6 - And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

James 4:8 Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Ephesians 3:3 How the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly.

John 14:26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

Amos 3:7 “For the Lord God does nothing without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets.

Isaiah 55:8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord.

Romans 1:20 For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

John 1:9 - The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. ¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God.

¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

¹⁵ (John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, “This is the one I spoke about when I said, ‘He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’”) ¹⁶ Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. ¹⁷ For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and ^[b] is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

John 8:12 Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

John 4:24 God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.”