

## TRANSCRIPT:

### "The Point of Transformation", 12 Powers Club Podcast, Ep. 07 with Rev. Myra McFadden

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Do you have a favorite superhero? Well, I sure do, and probably one of my very, very favorites besides Wonder Woman is Superman. I remember absolutely adoring Superman from the time that I was a kid. I used to watch the TV show and be so excited. I love to hear that favorite phrase. It's a bird, it's a plane, it's Superman. And a part of me inside would absolutely soar. And, you know, today, as I'm quite a bit older, but a little smarter, too, I realize that the reason that I connected with Superman and perhaps the very reason that you did as well is because within all of us is a Clark Kent, the human personality, the human persona, and a Superman or superwoman that brought forward tremendous good, amazing good from a spirit that seemed super natural because it was God given.

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And so today, it's so wonderful to think about our superpowers and the way that we have that Superman or woman inside us as part of our natural essence. These are the 12 powers. And today I've been asked to talk to you about the power of Will. My name is Myra McFadden, and it is my joy to talk to you about Divine Will, because it is one of my favorite of the 12 powers. You know, I was thinking about with Charles Fillmore, our unity co-founder said.

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And what he said was this. He said that, indeed, Will is the executive faculty of the brain. It is the determining factor in humankind. So in other words, it is the place where we actually determine our will and how it shows up within our beings. It is the power to make a decision and go forward intentionally, isn't it? And so I love that. And when I combine that with the words from the Book of Job that tell us this, "You will decree a thing and it will be established unto you..."

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What I recognized is that when I use my will, when I use my human and divine will to bring forward something because I say it and because I know it and I call it forward, it will be. That's why Will is such a powerful, powerful, divine gift, it's a divine power within us and it has driven both by our human persona, our egoic itself, and by our divinity. Now we all know what happens when we are led by our own personal egos, when that will take the hold of us, you know, it is driven by our wants and our perceived needs. It's driven by our own histories and our beliefs and our ideas. It's driven by our anxieties and our fears. And so we're all very aware of when we are driven by our human will. And in fact, we will call some people very, very willful and other people very passive, as if they do not exert their own will. And yet what's really true is that they've made the decision to not show up is willful.

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They've almost passionately decided not to be directly or overtly willful. And that is a decision of the human will. So when we look at how the human will shows up and we look at how our own divine will shows up, one of the greatest gifts that we know is that we can align our divine will to be that of God. We can allow our will to express God's will in our thoughts, in our words, and in our actions, in our special, unique, personalized, or as Emilie Cady would say, an individualized expression.

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It's not that hard because each and every one of us, through our own consciousness, have the ability to discern what God's will is within us. It is part of our inherent makeup. Since God's divinity lives in us. The will of God and the ability, the capacity, to know that will lives in us as well. It's very much, I think, like this. I think it's like when we as a human being, we know what it's like to be a human being, right?

And we don't ever get confused about what it's like to be a human being versus what it's like to be a crocodile. We clearly know what it's like because it's our human nature to understand what it is to be a human being. Well, in the same way. It is our nature, our Christ nature, to know what that is within us, how it expresses in and through us, it is a part of our very essence. And so when we are expressing our Christ nature, what we are actually doing is we are coming home to the center of God within us.

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We are moving. We are exerting and expressing ourselves from that spiritual center or the truth of who and what we are. And we don't need somebody to point out when we are living from truth, when we are living from spirit. We simply know when we are because it is like knowing our name. When I am expressing God in all of God's attributes, whether it be love or faith or wisdom, whether it be spiritual understanding or the willingness to release, when I'm living in spiritual authority, when I'm standing in faith - these are all the spiritual attributes of God, the divine powers, that live in me and more, and I know because I'm going home to my true nature, I know when I'm living that. And when we access the power of will within us, what we are doing is we are allowing our human will, that part of us that is driven with agendas and projections and doubts and fears and all of that, we are making the decision to lay that aside and to align our will with that of God, as we understand God within us. Will is an amazing, amazing attribute to live in. It's a beautiful power to live in and it has a lot to do with surrendering our human will into the will of God as we understand it within ourselves. When we do this. What we're actually doing is we are letting God be God in us. Really, think about that. Think about the times that you let God be God in and through you.

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And we know the difference, don't we, when we're driven by our human selves and we yield, we soften into allowing letting the will of God have its way in us. I know what that feels like, there's a part of me that rejoices when I do it because I can be really stubborn. Or so I'm told. Or I can be very indecisive when I don't want to make a decision that's going to require some courage, maybe it's going to make a couple of people uncomfortable or maybe disapprove of me or maybe be upset with me.

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We get all caught up with that in our human will and then we just push our way through and we make a decision anyway and it never feels good. Or we simply use our will and say, I will not decide which is actually a decision. But when we allow the will of God through us to lead us forward, what happens is we open to the power of will and it brings us joy, peace and freedom. You know, there's times when life can be so tough. There are times when we are in turning points within ourselves about the decisions that we need to make, or maybe we are in challenging places with some decisions we have in some relationships, or maybe it's about how to just go forward in life.

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And when we ask the question, "What would God have me do?" we open that door metaphorically to laying our personal will aside, our personal decision makers aside, and we allow the voice, the power and the presence of God to lead us forward. And when we do something miraculous happens, we feel like we've come home and we've aligned ourselves and God. Let me give you an example of this. This was a while back, and it's one of my very favorite stories ever, because it really taught me about the power of will.

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And what happened is I was in my home church, my home church, and I wasn't really getting along with somebody there. And I'm just going to call her Gigi. Yeah, that sounds good. So it wasn't getting along with Gigi and I just didn't know what that was about. And no matter what effort I made, Gigi just wanted nothing to do with me. I was mystified. I was a little hurt, you know, and in my mind, in my will, I was going to make it happen.

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I was very friendly to her. I made a point to always reach out to her. I made a point to do all these things. And the more that I did, the more she rebuffed me. Well, time went on this way and I was

determined by my human will to make this happen, and it was going nowhere. And one day I was really upset about this. I was really disappointed and even a bit angry about it. It was Easter Sunday.

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And I remember getting ready to leave the church and I saw a guy standing in in an area, the library, in the library, and I was just going to walk past her and I decided this time. I was going to ignore her, I was going to show her what that felt like, so I had decided that I was going to do that. And I heard I heard that inner voice inside me and it said, go give her a hug.

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What? Go give her a hug. And... and I could see the door to get out of the church. It was probably about six steps away. And I heard it again. Go give her a hug. I thought, if I can just walk a little faster and get out of the church, I'll be out of this mess. But I felt, I felt the spirit of God within me, and I made a decision to allow God to be God within me, and I stopped right where I was and I pivoted and I turned toward her and I went almost rushing up to her.

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And I said, I hope you have a happy Easter. She was so stunned because I stopped speaking to her for quite some time and she just looked at me and then I said, Could I give you a hug? And she just kept staring at me, so I wrapped my arms around her and I gave her a quick little hug and I said, really have a happy Easter. And I pivoted around. I turned around. I went flying the next steps out the door and my heart, my heart was leaping.

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You see, what had happened is I had turned my will over, that was stubborn, that was hurt, that was angry, that was that was feeling all sorts of things. And I turned that around and I softened into, I allowed the will of God to decide my steps, literally, and when I allowed God to be God in me, when I heard the direction and I willingly took it. That was the point of transformation. I didn't want to go say Happy Easter, my little self wanted nothing to do with that.

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I didn't want to give her a hug. In fact, my little self would have had nothing to do with that either. But the divinity within me called me up to be love. To be peace. To be, even, forgiveness. And when I did all of that and when I walked away, I felt a surge of joy in my heart, I felt free, I felt peaceful; not only because I had reached out to Gigi, but because I surrendered into the will of God.

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And life-transforming always remember that situation, it was life transforming for me just to remember how powerful it was to turn my will and allow God to take the lead with my thoughts, with my words and with my actions. Now, I'm sure that you can think of a situation where you can get stubborn or real caught up or real confused about what to do, where to go, and you can justify it and rationalize why you are where you are.

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It doesn't take long to figure out a situation, maybe one or two will come to mind right away. And imagine doing something differently. Imagine either listening to the voice of God, the voice, the energy of God that is always speaking or always connecting with us, or imagine taking a moment to center within your heart. And ask the question really hear the question, what would God have me do? And you ask the question very slowly, very sincerely. What would God have me do?

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You allow yourself to be quiet. To listen, to let the answer come to you either then or in moments ahead. And simply by asking the question, you have begun to align your will. They're human will with the will of God within you. And by doing that, you have opened yourself up to God's true direction within you in your own unique and personal way. The very same situation, and somebody else might hear the will of God in a very different way, it might show up in another action.

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Somebody in my situation might have heard that voice and instead of it saying, go give her a hug, it might have said something like say a prayer for her today. It might have said something like simply wave to her today or forgive and let it be. Everyone hears the voice of God that's individualized within them in a different way. So the key is not that there is one rote answer, but there was always an answer when we turn our will over to align itself with the will of God.

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And so I invite you to take some time this week and allow yourself to look at some of the decisions you've made or some of the dilemmas that you're in and simply take a moment or two to turn within and to ask that question. What would God have me do? And allow the answers, the energy, the ideas to simply come without forcing or pressing or making it happen. And as you do, we will always know the same truth, that the spirit of God lives in each and every one of us.

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It is with us always, and it is always directing us forward. We can always align our will to the will of God. You know, I was thinking about the apostle Paul and when he wrote to the Romans, he said this, "And do not conform to the world..." (which could be the world of ideas in our ongoing selves) "but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may reveal that which is good and acceptable and the perfect will of God." Allow God to change your mind, to direct your steps, your thoughts, your words, your actions... Add as you do, you will be so in alignment with the will of God that you eventually will not know the difference. It will be one and the same. Thank you so much. I really enjoyed this time with you and I've enjoyed sharing a little bit about the divine power of will. Namaste.