Outline - August 30, 2020 Deuteronomy 30:19-20; Psalm 37:25 The Journey: Your Choices Joshua 24:14-16

Our Decisions Determine Our Destiny

I. We are the sum total of our decisions

- A. Our relationships
- B. Our finances
- C. The brightest moments
- D. The darkest moments

II. The principle of our choices

- A. Decisions create destiny
 - 1. Your future tomorrow is marked by decisions today
- B. We have the freedom of choice
 - 1. Choose our response
 - 2. Choose our attitude
 - 3. Choose our level of emotion
- C. Not free, not to choose (You will make a choice)
- D. Not free to choose the consequence of our choice
 - 1. Relationships
 - 2. Marriage
 - 3. Business
 - 4. Spiritual growth

III. The blueprint of making the wrong choice

- A. Wrong motive
 - 1. Our appetites (Lust)
 - 2. Our revenge (Bitterness)
 - 3. Our pride (It's about me)
 - 4. Our will (Not God's)
- B. Wrong method
 - 1. Focus on present (Only)
 - 2. Focus on temporal (Only)
 - 3. Focus on self (Only)
 - 4. Focus on appearance (Only)
 - 5. Focus on your will (No godly counsel)

- C. The wrong "manager" (Leader)
 - 1. Who are you following?
 - 2. Who are you listening to?
 - 3. When you choose against God (death, disaster, destruction, deprivation)
- D. The wrong message
 - 1. Misinformation
 - 2. Believing the lie
 - 3. No investigation

IV. The power of wise choices

- A. Joshua chose "The Lord God of Israel"
 - 1. Joshua 24:15
- B. The 7 elements (Results) of choosing the Lord
 - 1. A new determination
 - 2. A new direction
 - 3. A new dependence
 - 4. A new desire
 - 5. A new devotion
 - 6. A new dedication
 - 7. A new destiny

V. What (how) can we do to make healthy choices?

- A. Am I being honest with myself?
- B. Is the Lord in the center of this?
- C. (Ask) what story do I want to tell?
 - 1. Every choice determines the story of your life
 - 2. Every choice has an outcome

VI. Our Journey is: decision - outcome - story

- A. Your decisions are a part of your journey
- B. Your decisions create success or failure
- C. Beware of choosing based on emotion and not on God's word
- D. What story do you want to tell?

Our Testimony Of God's Grace Begins With Choosing Jesus

That Choice Determines Blessing In Life

Choose This Day Whom You Will Serve