

The Choice Is Up To You
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What is freewill?

It is our right to choose. Free will is one of the greatest gifts we could ever be given. God did not create man with “sin”, he created man with “choice”.

Understanding freewill

Knowledge of God does not fall in our lap, we have to get it. The bible says: knock and it will be opened for you, seek and you will find, go after him more than you go after anything else, you will like what you find. But you have to go and get understanding.

Deuteronomy 30:15-19 [NIV]

¹⁵ See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction. ¹⁶ For I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in obedience to him, and to keep his commands, decrees and laws; then you will live and increase, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land you are entering to possess.

¹⁷ But if your heart turns away and you are not obedient, and if you are drawn away to bow down to other gods and worship them, ¹⁸ I declare to you this day that you will certainly be destroyed. You will not live long in the land you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess.

¹⁹ This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live.

A good book to study is Proverbs because it talks about:

- Knowledge
- Understanding
- Wisdom

Proverbs 4:7 [NKJV]

Wisdom *is* the principal thing; *Therefore* get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding.

Knowledge is information.

Hosea 4:6 [NKJV]

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being priest for Me; Because you have forgotten the lay of your God, I also will forget your children.

Understanding is divine comprehension in our hearts that gives us the ability to repeat something at will. Understanding has be sought for. Just because we have knowledge doesn't mean we understand it.

Wisdom is the proper use of knowledge. To know when to apply it. When to say it, when not to say it.

Galatians 6:7-8 [NIV]

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. ⁸ Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

1 Kings 18:21 [NIV]

Elijah went before the people and said, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him."

1 Corinthians 10:13 [NIV]

No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

Luke 22:42 [NIV]

"Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done."

Deuteronomy 30:19 [NIV]

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Breakdown

1. Life is choice driven; we live and die by the choices we make.
2. Most of Christianity is not a feeling, but a choice.
3. The choice is up to you.