



Part 4: WHEN YOU JUST CAN'T DECIDE

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WHY IS DECISION-MAKING SO COMPLICATED?

1. We have too many choices.

Practically speaking

2. I need help

We have God:

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! 5 Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. 6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." - Philippians 4:4-7 NIV

We have each other:

Then <u>it seemed good</u> to the apostles and the elders, <u>with the whole church</u>, to choose men from among them to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas ... 25"... <u>it seemed good</u> to us, <u>having become of one mind</u>, to select men to send to you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul ... 28For <u>it seemed good</u> to the Holy Spirit and <u>to us</u> to lay upon you no greater burden than these essentials ..." - Acts 15:22,25,28 NASB

3. We're afraid of making a costly mistake.

DON'T COMPLICATE IT!

With a posture of prayer and perspective of praise, we will seek God and do what seems right!

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. - Romans 8:28 NIV

TALK IT OVER

- Decision-making can seem complicated because we have too many choices and we're afraid of making costly mistakes. Which one of these reasons resonates most with you? How does it affect you?
- Read Proverbs 14:12. Has there ever been a time you thought you made the right choice, only to later discover you were wrong? Why did you think you were right? What did you learn from that experience?
- Are you facing a difficult decision? If so, how can you use prayer and praise to seek God and His will?

Suggested Reading Plan: Anxious For Nothing

Announcements:

- Sunday Service @ 10 AM. Nursery for children up to age 4 on weeks 2,3 & 4; KidZone for ages 5-11.
 - Christmas in KidZone 12/10!
- Girl's Ministry for grades K-6 on Wednesdays @ 5:30 PM!
 - This week's Girl's Ministry is moved to Tuesday 11/21 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Finish Line Youth for ages 12-12th grade Wednesdays @ 7 PM!
 - No Youth 11/22. Happy Thanksgiving!
 - Wood'n Wheel outing 12/8!
- Women's Bible Study Abide: A Study of 1,2, & 3 John, Thursdays from 6:30-8 PM.
 - No meeting 11/23. Happy Thanksgiving!
 - o Christmas "Pizza & Paint" 12/8!
- **Angel Tree** is a ministry to children of incarcerated parents. 11/26 Take an "angel;" 12/10 return wrapped gift; 12/17 Deliver gifts. See Shirley Lane if you are interested in participating.
- Christmas Play 12/17! Invite your family, friends and neighbors!

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