

## Better Decisions

Better - (# 3)

February 18, 2024

OPENING SCRIPTURE: Matthew 11:25-30

KEY VERSE: Matthew 11:28

TEXT: Hosea 14:1-9

KEY VERSE: Micah 6:8

Micah 6:8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what *is* good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

**When you decide to walk with God, you have made a better decision.**

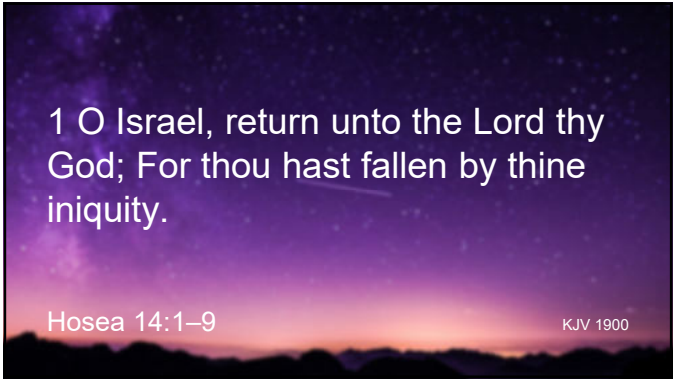
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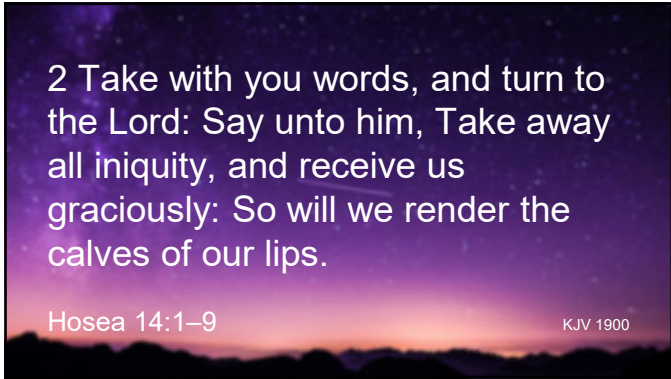
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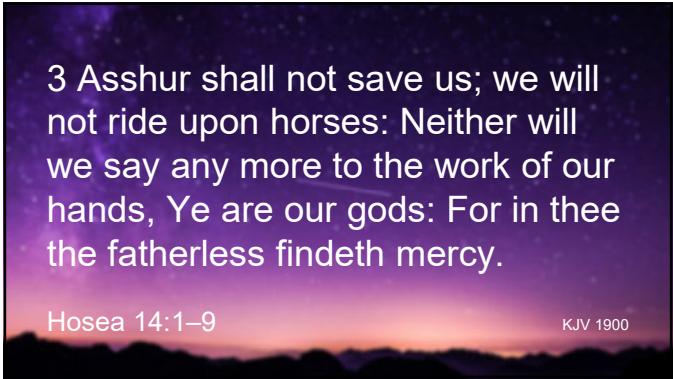
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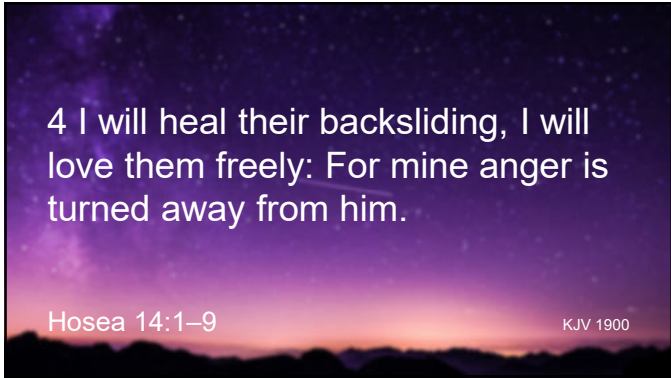
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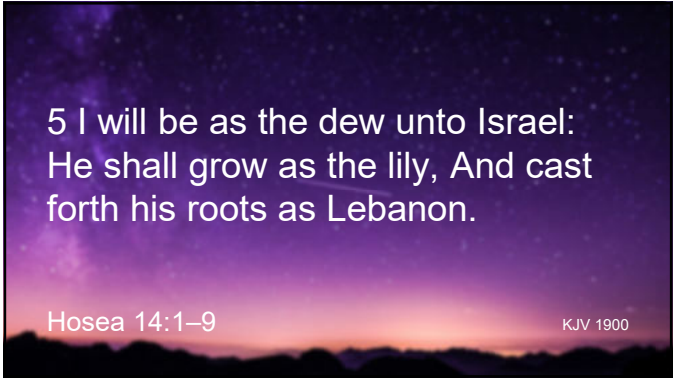
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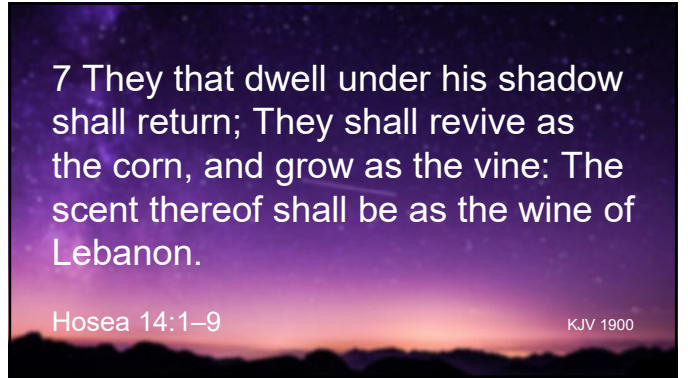


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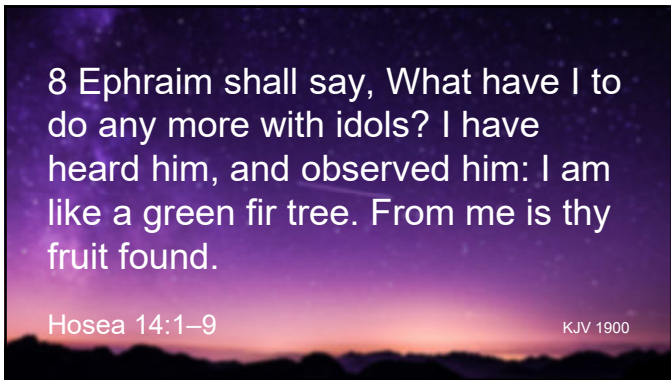
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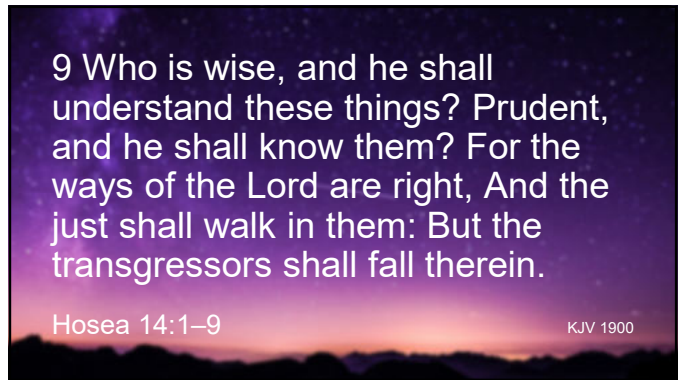
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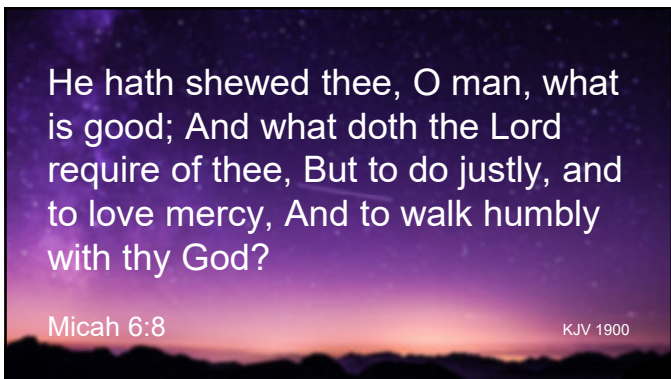
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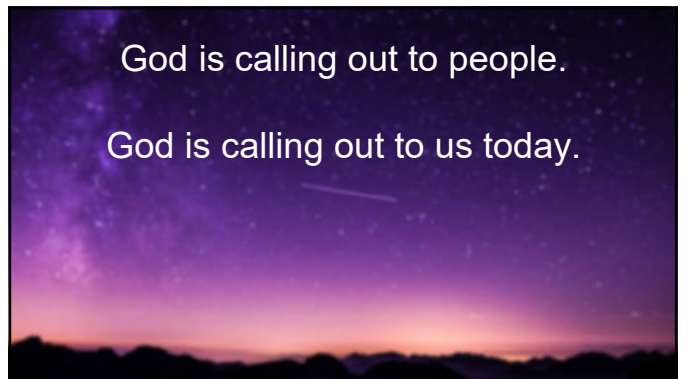
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An acronym for crisis is:

Corruption  
Rebellion  
Idolatry  
Self-deception  
Injustice  
Stupidity

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When you decide to walk with God,  
you have made a better decision.

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1) To Whom We Turn?

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Return unto the Lord.


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O Israel, return unto the Lord thy  
God; For thou hast fallen by thine  
iniquity.

Hosea 14:1


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God is Holy and He desires  
fellowship with us.

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For all have sinned, and come short  
of the glory of God;

Romans 3:23

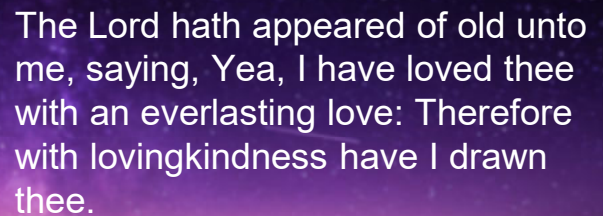
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God is calling us to make  
a responsible decision.

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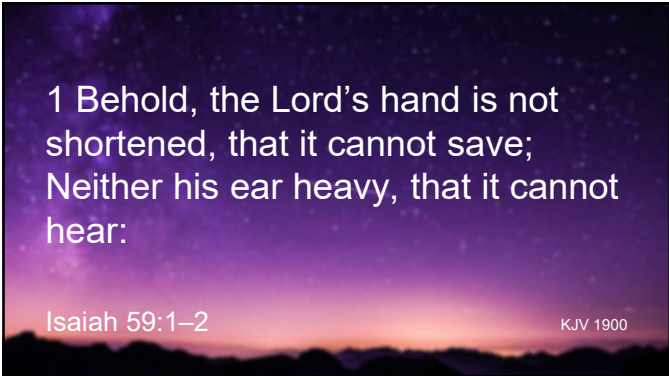


The Lord hath appeared of old unto  
me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee  
with an everlasting love: Therefore  
with lovingkindness have I drawn  
thee.

Jeremiah 31:3

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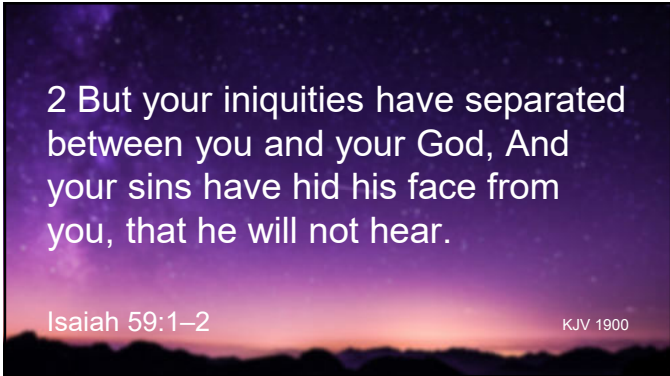


1 Behold, the Lord's hand is not  
shortened, that it cannot save;  
Neither his ear heavy, that it cannot  
hear:

Isaiah 59:1-2

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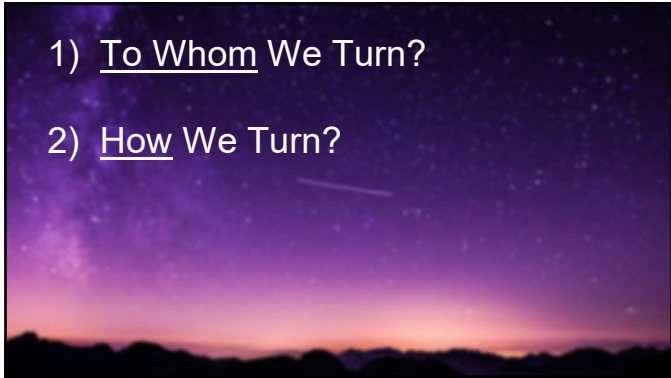


2 But your iniquities have separated  
between you and your God, And  
your sins have hid his face from  
you, that he will not hear.

Isaiah 59:1-2

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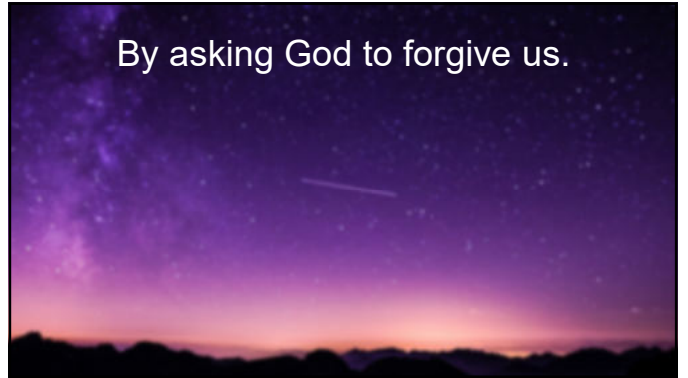
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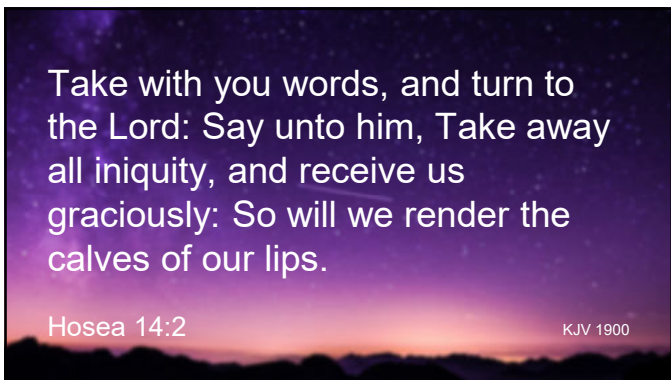
2) How We Turn?

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By asking God to forgive us.

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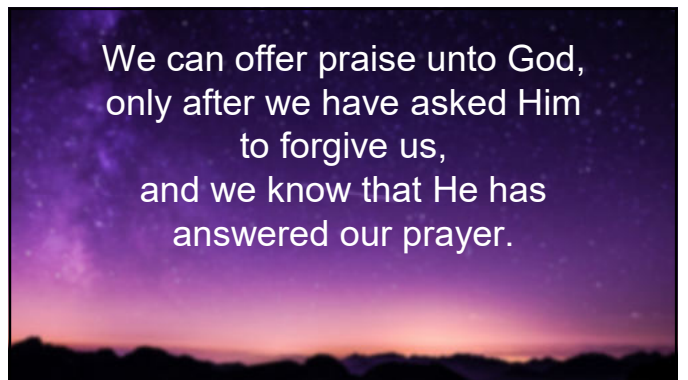


Take with you words, and turn to the Lord: Say unto him, Take away all iniquity, and receive us graciously: So will we render the calves of our lips.

Hosea 14:2

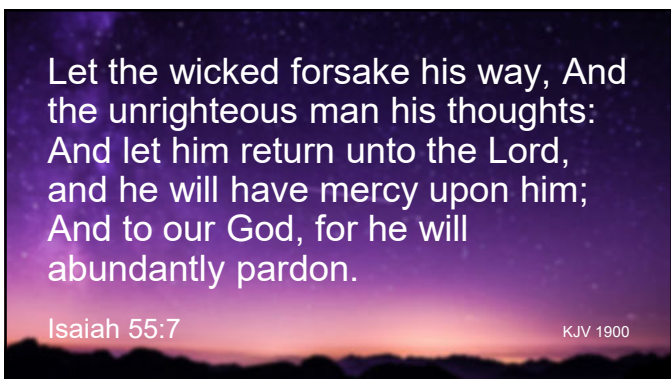
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We can offer praise unto God, only after we have asked Him to forgive us, and we know that He has answered our prayer.

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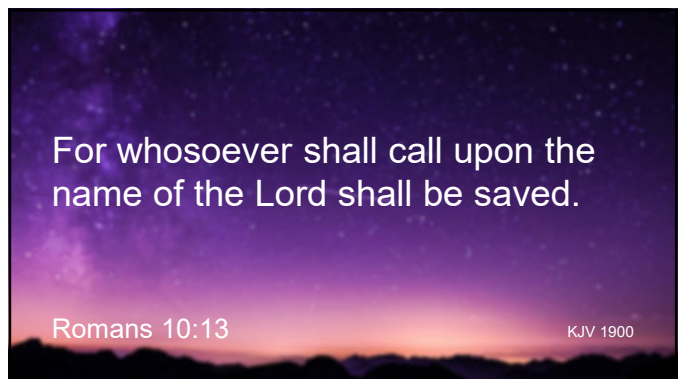


Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts: And let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; And to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Isaiah 55:7

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For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

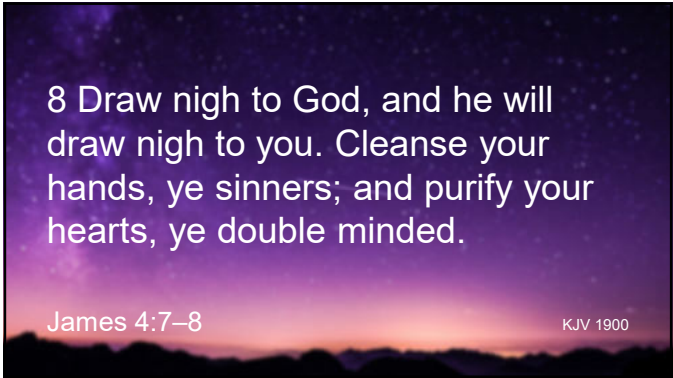
Romans 10:13

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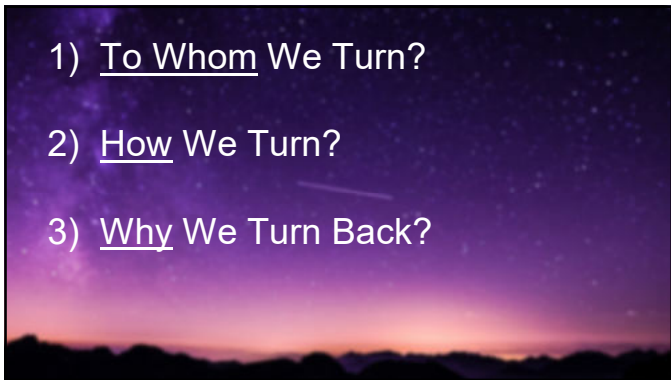
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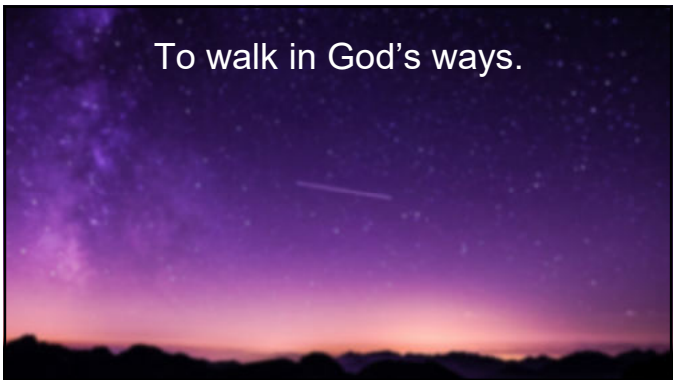
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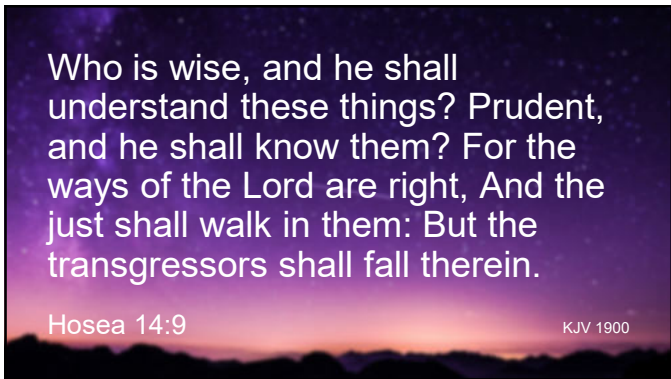
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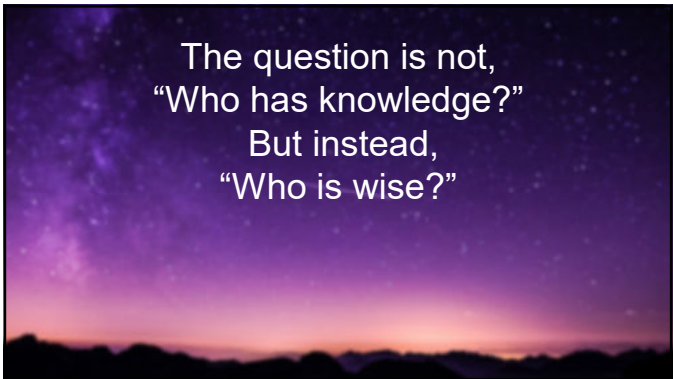
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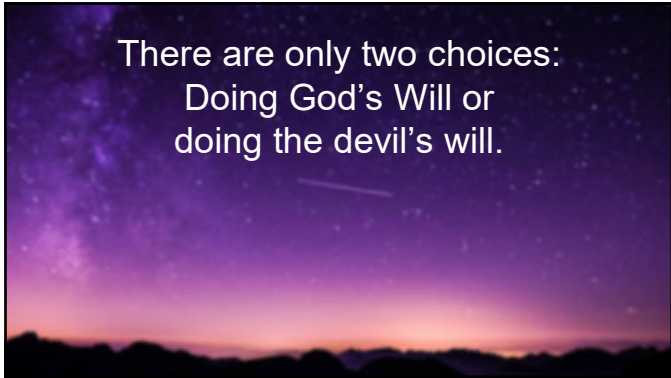
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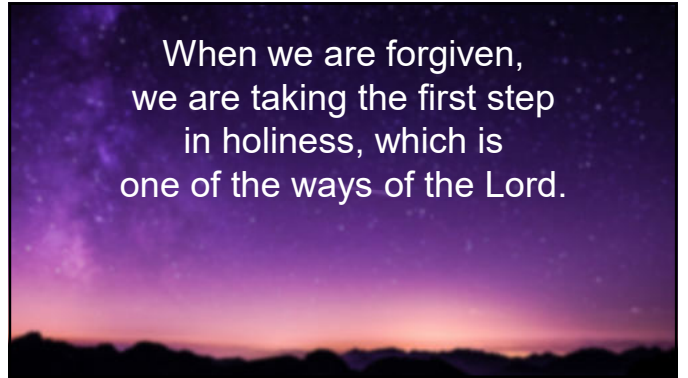


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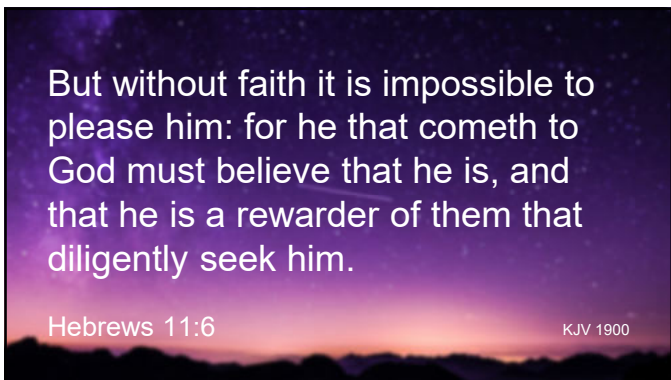
There are only two choices:  
Doing God's Will or  
doing the devil's will.

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When we are forgiven,  
we are taking the first step  
in holiness, which is  
one of the ways of the Lord.

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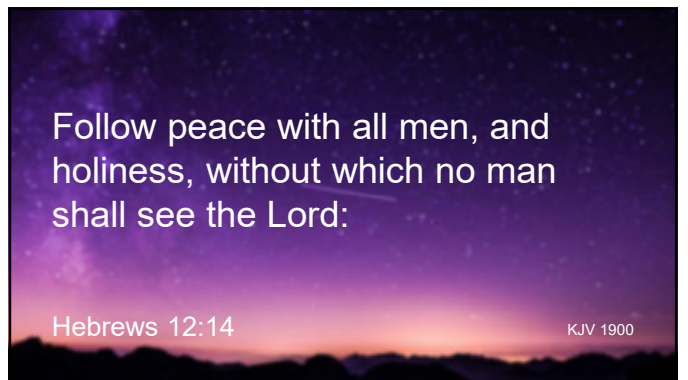


But without faith it is impossible to  
please him: for he that cometh to  
God must believe that he is, and  
that he is a rewarder of them that  
diligently seek him.

Hebrews 11:6

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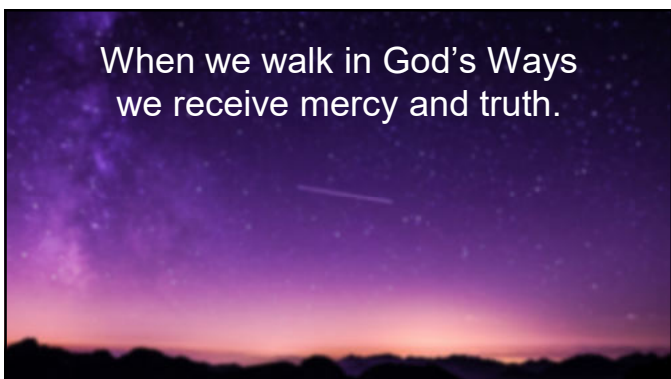


Follow peace with all men, and  
holiness, without which no man  
shall see the Lord:

Hebrews 12:14

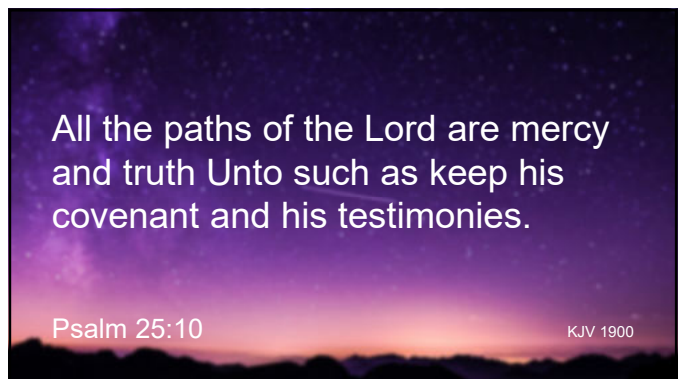
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When we walk in God's Ways  
we receive mercy and truth.

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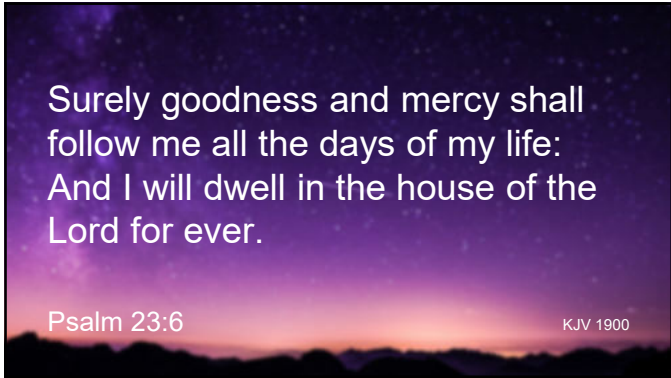
All the paths of the Lord are mercy  
and truth Unto such as keep his  
covenant and his testimonies.

Psalms 25:10

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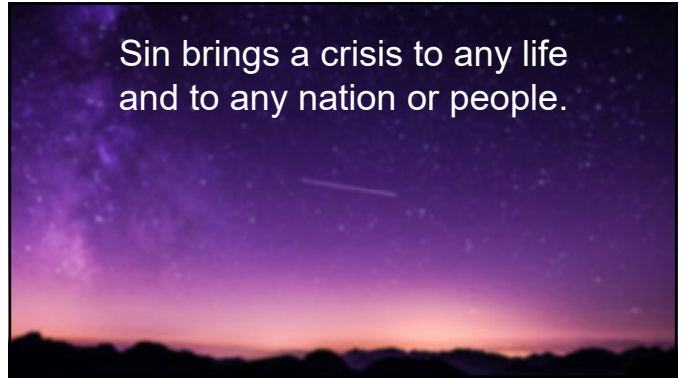


Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:  
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Psalm 23:6

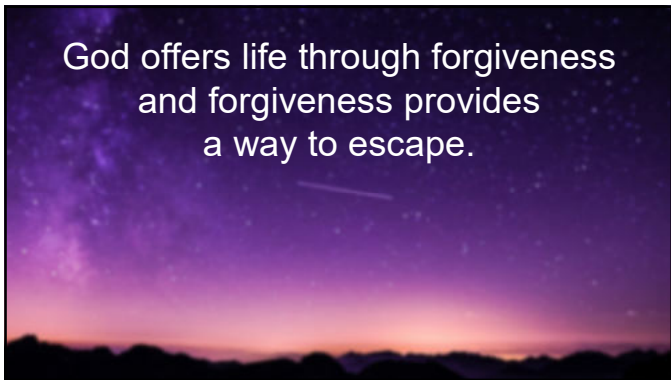
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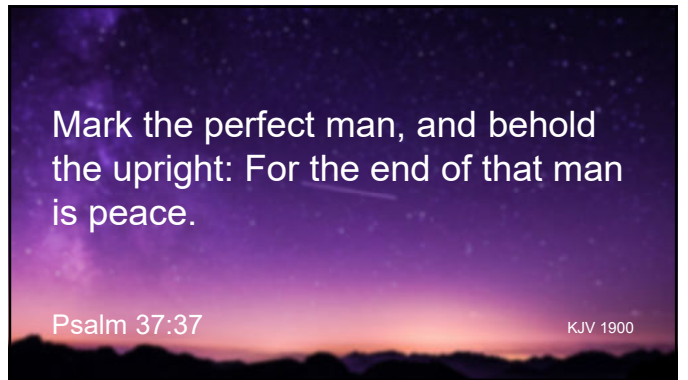
Sin brings a crisis to any life  
and to any nation or people.

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God offers life through forgiveness  
and forgiveness provides  
a way to escape.

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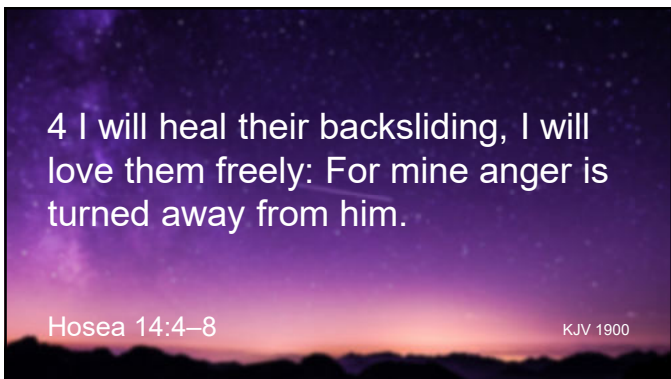


Mark the perfect man, and behold  
the upright: For the end of that man  
is peace.

Psalm 37:37

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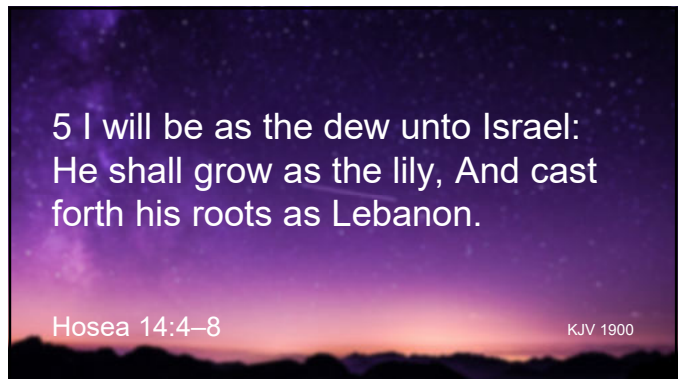


4 I will heal their backsliding, I will  
love them freely: For mine anger is  
turned away from him.

Hosea 14:4-8

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5 I will be as the dew unto Israel:  
He shall grow as the lily, And cast  
forth his roots as Lebanon.

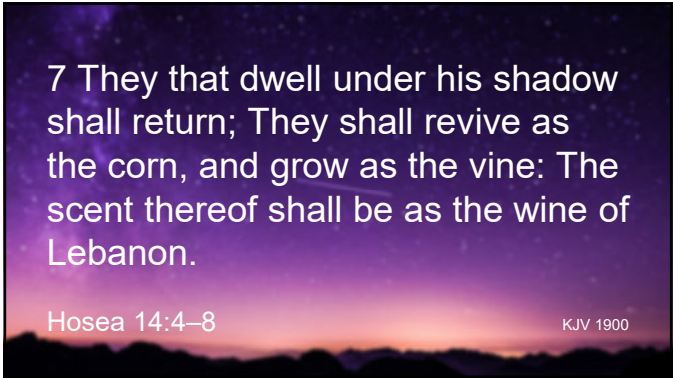
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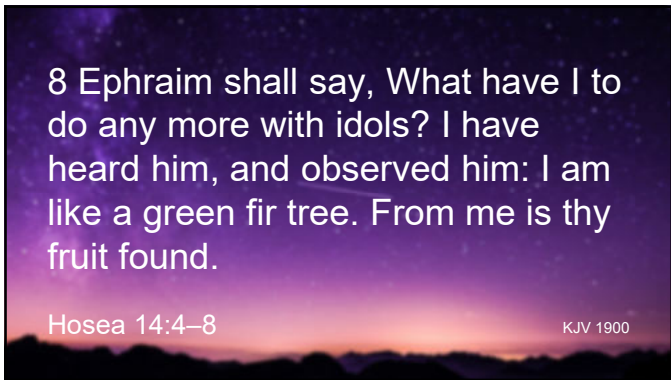
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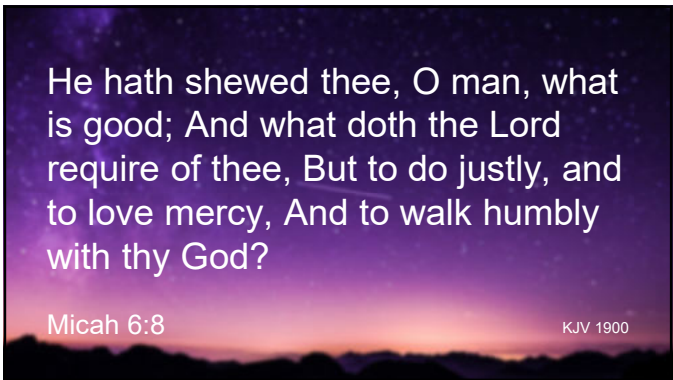
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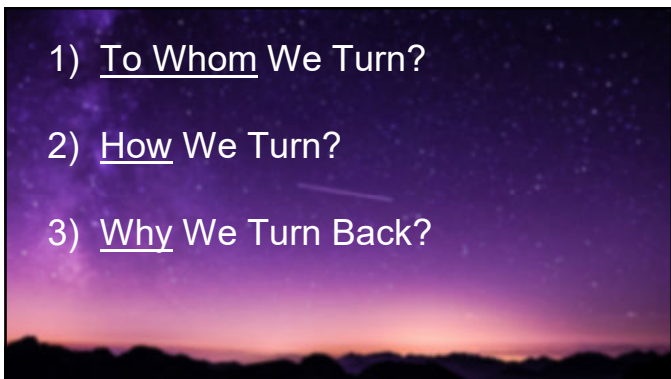
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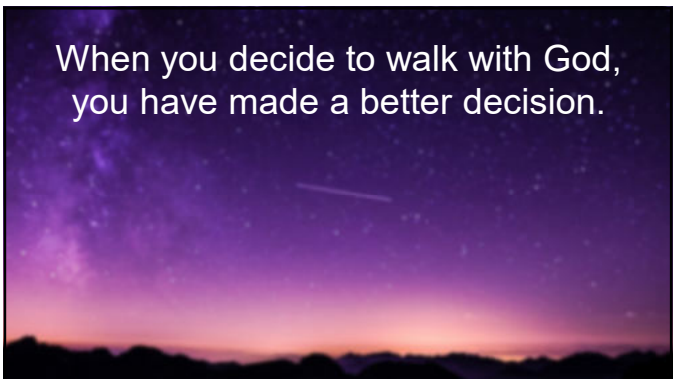
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