

THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED

(Godly Wisdom – Our Compass at the Crossroads of Life)

Part 8 – Making Dynamic Decisions

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Albert Einstein, “Your imagination is the preview to life’s coming attractions.”

1. Decisions are born in _____.

Judges 6:12,14-16 (NIV), “¹²When the angel of the Lord appeared to Gideon, he said, “The Lord is with you, **mighty warrior**.”¹⁴The Lord turned to him and said, “Go in **the strength you have** and save Israel out of Midian’s hand. Am I not sending you?”¹⁵“Pardon me, my lord,” Gideon replied, “but **how can I** save Israel? My clan is the **weakest** in Manasseh, and I am the **least** in my family.”¹⁶The Lord answered, “**I will be with you**, and you will strike down all the Midianites, leaving none alive.”

Psalms 139:14: "I praise you because **I am fearfully and wonderfully made**; your works are wonderful; I know that full well."

Ephesians 2:10 (NLT), “For **we are God’s masterpiece**. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, **so we can do the good things** he planned for us long ago.”

Proverbs 29:18 (NIV), “Where there is **no revelation**, people cast off restraint; but blessed is the one who **heeds wisdom’s instruction**.”

Revelation = Hebrew (Chazown, ‘khaw-zone’) Dream, Revelation, Vision, Sense of Destiny

Sir Winston Churchill, “There comes a special moment in everyone’s life, a moment for which that person was born. That special opportunity, when he seizes it, will fulfill his mission – a mission for which he is uniquely qualified. In that moment, he finds greatness. It is his finest hour.”

2. Decisions need to be _____.

Dynamic: Greek word dynamis = power, strength, dynamite.

2 Timothy 1:7 (NLT), “For God has not given us a spirit of **fear and timidity**, but of **power, love, and self-discipline**.”

Proverbs 29:25 (NLT), “**Fearing people** is a dangerous **trap**, but **trusting the Lord** means **safety**.”

Judges 6:36-40 (NIV), “³⁶Gideon said to God, “If you will save Israel by my hand as you have promised; ³⁷look, I will **place a wool fleece** on the threshing floor. If there is **dew only on the fleece** and all the ground is dry, then I will know that you will save Israel by my hand, as you said.” ³⁸And that is what happened. Gideon rose early the next day; he squeezed the fleece and wrung out the dew; a bowlful of water.³⁹ Then Gideon said to God, “Do not be angry with me. Let me make **just one more request**. Allow me one more test with the fleece, but this time **make the fleece dry** and let the ground be covered with dew.” ⁴⁰That night God did so. Only the fleece was dry; all the ground was covered with dew.”

Tony Robbins, “The single most important skill is the ability to make effective decisions. The quality of our life comes down to the quality of our decisions.”

3. Eliminate unworthy _____.

Habakkuk 2:2 (NIV), “Then the Lord replied, ‘**Write down the revelation and make it plain** on tablets so that a **herald may run with it**.’”

Isaiah 43:18-19 (NIV), “**Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past**. ¹⁹See, I am doing a **new thing!** **Now** it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am **making a way** in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.”

Ephesians 1:11 (Msg.), “It’s **in Christ that we find out who we are** and what we are **living for** ... part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone.”

