

CHOICES

DEUTERONOMY 30:15-20 NKJ

¹⁵ “See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil, ¹⁶ in that I command you today to love the Lord your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the Lord your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess. ¹⁷ But if your heart turns away so that you do not hear, and are drawn away, and worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸ I announce to you today that you shall surely perish; you shall not prolong *your* days in the land which you cross over the Jordan to go in and possess. ¹⁹ I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, *that* I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live; ²⁰ that you may love the Lord your God, that you may obey His voice, and that you may cling to Him, for He *is* your life and the length of your days; and that you may dwell in the land which the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them.”

In today's society we always blame someone or something for our situation but those things simply don't have that kind of power

Your choice always determines your attitude and position – this is revelation word, eat it today and live

This text makes one thing very clear, all people always, without exception, are free to choose life or death, blessings or curses. God encourages us to choose life

Your outcome will always be determined by your choices

Everything in life is determined by a choice. No you may not be able to do anything about the trials, temptations, and hardships that come into your life but you always have a choice how you respond to those things

You will be able to sum up your life by the choices you have made

V 15-19 – Mom and Dad your choices will affect your children's future so choose wisely

Gal 6:7-9 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. ⁸ For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. ⁹ And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

NT Principle as well

Seeds are choices and all seeds produce a harvest so what will your crop of seeds or choices produce for you?

These plants I chose because that's what I wanted to produce as a harvest. In the same way you have the power to choose your harvest by the choices you make

VIDEO – Nick

3 biblical facts about choices of our daily lives:

1. LIVING A GODLY LIFE IS A MOMENT BY MOMENT CHOICE (15,19)

God Speaks through Moses telling his people and us that living a blessed life is determined each day we live – today I set it before

Life is full of choices and those choices determine our outcome

Heb 12:1,2 NLT Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. ² We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. ^[a] Because of the joy ^[b] awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne.

These pioneers of faith serve as examples, that persecution, assaults, mistreatment, affliction, and even death didn't derail them, they kept the faith

Every person chooses their own destiny, God placed this law in motion and you will receive your inheritance by faith

**Gen 8:22 “While the earth remains,
Seedtime and harvest,
Cold and heat,
Winter and summer,
And day and night
Shall not cease.”**

Because of Christ, all the promises of the OT and NT are mine - but if you acknowledge these blessings yet choose cursings and death so will your harvest be

Say: seed time and harvest

V 15 – God set this before you today and every day, what will you choose?

1 John 5:2-5 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. ³ For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome. ⁴ For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our^[a] faith. ⁵ Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

Every moment as a Christian, you choose to honor Christ or not

2. SIN LOSES ITS GRIP

2 Cor 10:2-3 I beg you that when I come I may not have to be as bold as I expect to be toward some people who think that we live by the standards of this world. ³ For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does.

As you daily choose to live by and act according to God’s commandments, the challenges, hard times and emotional turmoil become events that soon pass

The more you choose life daily the less you want to invite death into your future

3. OBEDIENCE DESTROYS LIFE’S STRONGHOLDS

2 Cor 10:3-6 For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. ⁴ The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. ⁵ We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ. ⁶ And we will be ready to punish every act of disobedience, once your obedience is complete.

The problem today is we would rather gratify our flesh than crucify it

Every behavior, addiction, and stronghold that's been demolished was because of a choice to obey God's Word and to give up my right to react in the flesh

**Isaiah 40:31 ³¹ but those who hope in the Lord
will renew their strength.**

**They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint.**

Things that once had me bound no longer hold me captive, simply by my choices and waiting on God have brought life and blessings my way and that has given me a new platform of faith for His glory

(read quote old sermon)

Life is simply a choice: Understand today that when chosen, actions choose the consequences as well!