



## “The Choice is Yours” part 2 Sun Dec 19, 2021

- I. **Joshua 24:14-15 /Deuteronomy 30:19**
  - A. Good Choices, Bad Choices, & God-Choices
    1. Good Choices bring Good Results, Bad Choices Bring Bad Results, and God-Choices Bring Extraordinary Overflow!
    2. In week one of this series, we settled the question concerning God’s sovereignty and our ability to choose...so how do we make the God-Choices in life?
  - B. Understanding Purpose and Accountability
    1. Most people make decisions based upon their feelings in a given situation:
      - *One thing we should have learned by now... never go to the grocery store on an empty stomach!*
      - *People typically make poor choices when they are hurt, mad, or offended. Deal with the feelings first and then make the God-Choice!*
      - *Financial decisions – this is a big one for most people: Learning to separate your needs from your wants (this applies to your desire to be financially free)*
    2. The key to making God-Choices is to **Learn how to have purpose in every choice you make**. (If God doesn’t lead me...I will not move/buy/or speak) (Don’t react to a situation; Just be like Jesus when he needed a moment to hear from God when he was tempted by evil people).
    3. Who are you accountable to concerning your decisions in life? (**Proverbs 11:14, Proverbs 24:6...Counselors: Advise, Guide, Counsel, Purpose**)

**Every choice makes a difference...What choices in your life have purpose and accountability entwined with them?**

- II. My Choice & My Words
  - A. **Matthew 12:34-37**
    1. We have talked in this church about the power of your words; Even when people understand it and put great value in it, they still have difficulty lining up their words with God’s Word. Why? Because it is uncommon and to be frank: ODD! (*The truth is people in the world that speak negative and worldly should be considered “odd”. There’s a new standard and believers should grab a hold of it! It’s past time to renew our minds to God’s way of doing things.*)
    2. Your heart and your mouth are connected – if you want your words to have purpose, then check to see what you are planting in your heart. (**Idle: Unemployed, Useless, Barren, Lazy, and Slow**).
  - B. **Ephesians 4:29**
    1. **Corrupt – Rotten or Worthless**
    2. Are your words pleasing to God? Are they edifying and pleasant to the hearer? (The altar is open...)