

The 4th Sunday in Lent ~ Sunday, March 27, 2022

“Living & Active: The Bible & Decision Making”

Joshua 1:1-9

“If you want better insight and discernment, learn the importance of reverence for the Lord and of trusting Him. He shows how to distinguish right from wrong and how to find the right decision every time.” (Proverbs 2:5)

6 TESTS FOR BIBLE BASED DECISION MAKING

#1. The _____ Test.

Question:

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.” (Psalm 119:105)

Are you being tempted to do something contrary to God’s Word?

#2. The _____ Test.

Question:

“People with integrity walk safely, but those who follow crooked paths will be fount out.” (Proverbs 10:9)

“Knowing what is right to do and then not doing it is sin.” (James 4:17)

Are you what you appear to be—does your walk match your talk?

#3. The _____ Test.

Question:

“Everything is permissible but not everything is beneficial.” (1 Cor 10:23)

Are you filling your mind with less than the best?

#4. The _____ Test.

Question:

“All things are lawful for me but I will not be dominated by anything.”

(1 Corinthians 6:12)

What’s out of control in your life—what dominates your thoughts?

#5. The _____ Test.

Question:

“Each of us will give a personal account to God. So try to live in such a way that you will never make your brother or sister stumble by letting them see you doing something that they think is wrong.” (Romans 14:12-13)

Have you considered how your actions might effect others?

#6. The _____ Test.

Question:

“Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.” (Ephesians 5:15-17)

Are you so busy that you don’t have time for the important things?

A 7 STEP PROCESS FOR MAKING GODLY DECISIONS

Step #1: _____.

“Those who trust in their own wits are fools, but those who walk in wisdom come through safely.” (Proverbs 28:26)

Step #2: _____.

The _____ Principle

Romans 14:21 & 23

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“Stay away from every kind of evil.” (1 Thessalonians 5:22)

Step #3: _____.

“All who are prudent act with knowledge.” (Proverbs 13:16a)

Step #4: _____.

“The more good advice you get, the more likely you are to succeed.” (Proverbs 24:6)

Step #5: _____.

“Don’t trap yourself by making a rash promise to God and only later counting the cost.” (Proverbs 20:25)

Step #6: _____.

“The prudent sees danger and takes refuge, but the simple keep going and pay the price.” (Proverbs 22:3)

Step #7: _____.

“If you wait for perfect conditions, you will never get anything done.” (Ecclesiastes 11:4)

“Commit your ways to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act.” (Proverbs 37:5)

“I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you,” (Psalm 32:8)

Are you facing a major decision in your life?

Do you want to know the way forward

or what God is calling you to do?

Are you willing to stand on God’s Word?