

The 6 Most Important Decisions of Your Future

Choosing the right golf club can make all the difference while you're on the course. Likewise, choosing to make some wise decisions in some key areas of your life will have a tremendous impact on your future.

1. **Who** You Serve as Lord
2. **Who** You Marry
3. **Who** You Surround Yourself With
4. **How** You Handle Your Money
5. **How** You Handle Your Flesh
6. **How** You Deal With Your family

3 Who's and 3 How's

1. Who You Serve as Lord

Nothing changes your philosophy more than a belief in God.
Nothing changes your heart more than the person of Jesus Christ.

Joshua 24:15

This decision must be made by every human being on the planet.
And you choose by not choosing!

This is the most important decision in life, because it takes you the furthest.
All the other decisions stop after you die; this is the only one that will affect your eternity.

2. Who You Marry

Some facts about LOVE

1. Love is a choice not a feeling.
2. There is no "ONE" for you, there are many.
There is only "One" for you after you say "I Do."
3. God rarely says "this is the one" until both parties are ready be get engaged.
4. You can fall in love with anyone if you spend enough time together.

Choose wisely who you allow yourself to fall in love with.

Song of Solomon 8:4

1 Kings 11:4

2 Corinthians. 6:14

Advice

1. Don't date until after you graduate from high school.
2. Don't get married until you graduate college.
3. Make a list of non-negotiables for those that you date.
4. Find someone whose strong faith inspires you toward God.
5. Don't date just for "fun;" only date those you could see yourself marrying.
6. Listen to the advice of the Godly council around you.

3. Who You Surround Yourself With

1 Corinthians 11:33

Choose your friends carefully

Proverbs 13:20

Advice

1. Choose friends who share your values and build your faith.
2. Purposefully befriend those who don't.
3. Be on your guard when hanging out with those new friends for the purpose of witnessing, that their negative influence doesn't cause you to start compromising your beliefs.

4. How You Handle Your Money

How you handle your money will change your life.

Ecclesiastes 5:10

Proverbs 22:7

Psalms 37:16-17

Advice

1. If you can't afford it don't buy it.
2. Only go in debt for school and a house
3. Start Tithing now
Put God first in everything

Malachi 3:10

5. How You Handle Your Flesh

I believe that we have each been given a measure of faith that should be growing, and that each of us have an area (or two) in which we struggle.

1 Corinthians 9:25-27

Galatians 5:19-21

4 types of sin:

1. Sexual sin
2. False religion
3. Sins of ill-will
4. Self-indulgence

Your decision to consume your life with these things will exclude you from eternal life.

For the believer, dabbling in these things will also cause them to not be living in the "abundant life" that Jesus offers.

Galatians 5:16

Advice

1. Identify your weak areas.
2. Search out scripture about the areas you're struggling with and memorize it.
3. Seek out a trustworthy accountability partner, and/or a group meeting.

6. How You Deal with Your Family

Proverbs 22:6

This is not a promise, but a prescription of what we should do.

1 Timothy 5:8

Advice

1. Parents, invest lots of quality time with your kids.
2. Kids, spend more time with your parents because someday they will be gone.