Series Theme – Choices

Series Overview

In this 5-part series, we delve into the profound significance of choices in the life of a Christian. Drawing wisdom from the scriptures, we explore the power of decision-making and its impact on our spiritual journey. Each part of this series focuses on a crucial aspect of making choices aligned with God's will, guiding believers toward a life filled with purpose and divine alignment.

Key Series Wins

For the non-believer: To understand there are better choices that can be made, starting with choosing Jesus.

For the new believer: To gain a better understanding of what choices you will need to continue to make once you've chosen to follow Jesus.

For the Believer: To encourage choosing the right steps on your journey and to continue to choose these daily.

Mission — (Revive, Outpour, Advance, Restore)

Outpour and restore

<u>Strategies</u> – (Know God, Get Free, Find Purpose, Make A Difference)

Know God and Get Free

Environments – (Reception Area, Living Room, Kitchen Table, Revive Team)

Kitchen Table and Reception Area

The Code

We Choose Joy and Adventure

Creative Blocks

'Better decisions, fewer regrets' book by Andy Stanley- resource for week 3. This or That game or similar? Prophetic enactment for people to make a choice? The code handouts/take home postcard

Message 1 – Are we making the right choices?

Scripture: Joshua 24:15

Know What? Are you making the right choices?

So What? To understand that our choices matter.

Now What? To be aware of our choices and to choose this day.

Where is Jesus? He is ready and waiting for you to choose him with his arms open wide. He is alongside us and his Holy Spirit is guiding us in our choices (Isaiah 30:21).

Choose for yourselves this day! We must make a choice about our lives and who we are following. As Christians we need to be making the right choices daily in our walk with Christ. Joshua stated that as for me and my house, I will serve the Lord. We must challenge ourselves and non-believers who they are serving. CS Lewis said: Christianity, if false, is of no importance, and if true, of infinite importance. The only thing it cannot be is moderately important.

Message 2- Consequences of Choices

Scriptures: Galatians 6:7-8

Know What? Knowing that our decisions have spiritual repercussions.

So What? Because we reap what we sow. If we make the right choices, the consequences are good and vice versa. What God is calling us to choose is better than what the world is calling us to choose and has better consequences.

Now What? Choose this day with the Holy Spirit's guidance- be aware of your choices and the consequences.

Where is Jesus? Choose Jesus and understand what the consequences of this are. He is the word and in the word to give us direction. The bible is there to help us make the right choices too.

Delving into the consequences of our choices, Galatians 6:7-8 serves as a guiding light. As Christians, we understand that our decisions have spiritual repercussions, and by sowing seeds of righteousness, we reap the rewards of a life aligned with God's principles.

Message 3- Wisdom in Decision Making

Scriptures: James 1:5-6

Know What? There is supernatural wisdom available to all of us.

So What? God wants to help with our daily decisions and encourages us to ask for help and wisdom. If you are struggling to make decisions, why wouldn't you want God's help and guidance with that? It's freely available.

Now What? Ask these questions: Am I being honest with myself? What story am I trying to tell? Is there a tension that deserves my attention? What is the wise thing to do? What does love require of me?

Where is Jesus? Jesus is wisdom and is there to offer wisdom to anyone who asks.

James 1:5-6 teaches us about seeking divine wisdom in our decision-making processes. Through prayer and reliance on God's guidance, we can navigate life's complexities with a discerning spirit, ensuring that our choices are in harmony with His perfect will.

Message 4- Redeeming and Renewing Choices

Scripture: Psalm 51:10

Know What? The consequence of your sin is that Jesus died for you, he advocates for us and our redemption is not a one time thing. There is always grace despite choices we have made and continue to make.

So What? To break free from previous choices and consequences. Jesus has redeemed those choices and the consequences of those choices and we need to accept that. To forgive others for their previous choices and consequences.

Now What? Sometimes physical consequences will be with you forever, Jesus has provided a better way despite this and provides forgiveness. We need to follow Jesus' example and relationally have grace for others following their choices too- continually.

Where is Jesus? He redeems and renews and uses all things for good.

In the final part, we explore the concept of redemption and renewal through Psalm 51:10. Even when we make mistakes, God's mercy is abundant, and through repentance and surrender, our choices can be transformed, leading us back to a path of righteousness and purpose.

Message 5 – The Power of Choice

Scripture: Deuteronomy 30:15-20, John 10:10

Know What? To understand that our choices can be powerful, we can choose life or death.

So What? God gave us the gift of choice because he wants to be in authentic relationship with us and he loves us. There is freedom in that.

Now What? Choose life and choose to commit daily to Jesus and making better choices.

Where is Jesus? He came so that we could have life and life to the full. Jesus chose to come and chose to make the ultimate sacrifice for us so that we can choose.

Choose Life! We have been given the opportunity to choose and that choice is powerful. We can choose life or we can choose death. God is urging us to make serious and deliberate choices to propel us toward the conclusion of His purpose. He requires us to commit and make decisions. There is power for good in that choice.