

Why is this so hard?

Deuteronomy 30:15-20



Objective: To assist you in evaluating the basis and reasons for making good decisions.



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15 See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction. 16 For I command you today to love the Lord your God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commands, decrees and laws; then you will live and increase, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land you are entering to possess.

17 But if your heart turns away and you are not obedient, and if you are drawn away to bow down to other gods and worship them, 18 I declare to you this day that you will certainly be destroyed. You will not live long in the land you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess.

19 This day I call heaven and earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live 20 and that you may love the Lord your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the Lord is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Lesson Thrust



- One of the most important skills that you need to master as you grow toward adulthood is the skill of decision making. The impact and influences of the media, peer groups, and school weigh heavily on you today. There are additional influences with a general increase in exposure at a younger and younger age. These things along with others, highlight the importance and the need to master the how, what, where, when, and why of decision making from a Godly perspective.

Let's Talk...

- What are some influences that affect you?



Decisions...

Rate the decisions that apply to you, from 1 (easy) - 10 (difficult)

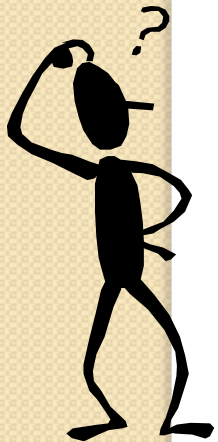
- ___ What to where for the “big” date
- ___ To study for a quiz or watch your favorite TV show
- ___ Having to tell your boyfriend or girlfriend you want to start dating other people
- ___ Telling the truth when you know you will have to pay the consequences
- ___ Having to say no to your friends when they want you to do something that goes against your principles
- ___ Doing what your parents want when that is not what you want
- ___ Telling your younger sibling to get lost
- ___ To get up and go to church when you were out really late the night before
- ___ When to invite a new friend to a youth group event, group event, or activity
- ___ Who to side with when two good friends are having a disagreement



Discussion...

From our lesson scripture Deut. 30:15-20 answer the following questions.

- Who is speaking?
- Who is being spoken to?
- Where is this speaking taking place?
- List at least 5 decisions the people had to make.



WWYD?

- Your Purity Lady will have three scenarios for you to choose from. You will read the scenario aloud and share with the class. Tell us...what would you do?

