



Personal Reflection

Take time this week to pray & respond to the following:

Choosing is a such a frequent & normal part of day-to-day life that we seldom realize we are even doing it. Decisions are the outworking of God's gift of limited, free will—one of the indicators that humanity has been made in His image. In the same way that differing moments in life carry different weights of importance, so too do decisions range from the mundane to the paramount. Some decisions can completely change the course of our lives & affect the lives of everyone around us.

Jesus, being fully human & fully divine, had the power to choose. When faced with the choice of life or death, Jesus chose self-sacrifice for the benefit of the world. In the single most courageous act ever undertaken, Jesus laid down His life in order to pay the price for your sin. Motivated by love & unwavering commitment to fulfill His mission, Christ conquered death. His resurrection has brought the possibility of hope & salvation to all who will choose to place their trust & faith Him.

How have you responded to the opportunity the Lord has set before you? Have you received the gift of salvation that Jesus earned at Calvary? If not, what is holding you back? If so, are you living in a way that honors God & contributes to others hearing the Good News? To what are you truly committed?

Prayerfully thank God that Jesus Christ paid the price for sin that you could not pay. Rejoice & give thanks in the reality of Jesus' resurrection for the hope that it brings. Ask God to reveal the condition of your heart—is your devotion divided between His glory & your own? Commit to daily allow God to realign your heart to His will as you endeavor to carry out His plan for your life.

I. Decisions

II. The Lord's Choice

John 18:1-9

III. The Lord's Victory

Acts 2:22-24, 32-33

IV. Commitment
