Wise Decisions
Wise Decisions and Their Enemies
Jesus introduced wise thinking and judging to us Sunday in John 7:24.
Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

John 7:24
Other examples, rules, and warnings in the Bible teach us to choose wisely.
And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their commandment.

I Chronicles 12:32
Who is as the wise man? and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? a man’s wisdom maketh his face to shine, and the boldness of his face shall be changed.

Ecclesiastes 8:1
15 See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,
16 Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.
17 Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.

Ephesians 5:15-17
Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always labouring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.

Colossians 4:12
28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:
29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.

Colossians 1:28-29
And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.

Jeremiah 3:15
1 Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh and intermeddleth with all wisdom.

2 A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.

3 When the wicked cometh, then cometh also contempt, and with ignominy reproach.

Proverbs 18:1-3
And David went out whithersoever Saul sent him, and behaved himself wisely: and Saul set him over the men of war, and he was accepted in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of Saul’s servants.

I Samuel 18:5 (and 18:14,30)
7 Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.
8 Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.
9 She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee.

Proverbs 4:7-9
Better is a poor and a wise child than an old and foolish king, who will no more be admonished.

Ecclesiastes 4:13
15 Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors is hard.
16 Every prudent man dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open his folly.

Proverbs 13:15-16
You have enemies to wise choices.
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follow your heart
The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

Jeremiah 17:9
He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.

Proverbs 28:26
There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

Proverbs 14:12 (16:25)
YOU

Feelings
UNKNOWN CONDITIONS AHEAD
Circumstances
do not make
a man,
they reveal him
Choice, not circumstances, determines your success.
Life is 10% what happens and 90% how you respond.
CHANGE THE WAY YOU LOOK AT THINGS

AND THE THINGS YOU LOOK AT

CHANGE
Character, not circumstance, makes the person.
And it was so: for he rose up early on the morrow, and thrust the fleece together, and wringed the dew out of the fleece, a bowl full of water.

Judges VI. 38.
For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.

Proverbs 1:32
He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap.

Ecclesiastes 11:4
"It's probably one of the biggest mistakes we've ever made."

The re-education of Mark Zuckerberg
by Jessi Hempel
YOU

Fortune

Feelings

Fleece
6 But godliness with contentment is great gain.
7 For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.
8 And having food and raiment let us be therewith content.

1 Timothy 6:6-8
9 But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

10 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

I Timothy 6:9-10
18 (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ:
19 Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.)

Philippians 3:18-19
KEEP CALM
IT'S
JUST A FAD
2 Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest judgment:
3 Neither shalt thou countenance a poor man in his cause.

Exodus 23:2-3
And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

Luke 16:15
The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe.

Proverbs 29:25
You have enemies to wise choices.
FEELINGS

- Corrupt Decisions
- Love
- Lust
- Anger
- Moods
- Appetites
- Energy
- Family
FLEECE Corrupts Decisions

Circumstances
Coincidences
Results
Horoscope
Weather
Signs
Timing
FORTUNE Corrupts Decisions

Money
House
Promotion
Car
Grades
Job
Ambition
FADS Corrupt Decisions

Popularity
Majority
Social media
Friends
Peers
World
Acceptance
You have enemies to wise choices.
The only way to please God and prosper is by FAITH
(For we walk by faith, not by sight:)
II Corinthians 5:7
But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Hebrews 11:6
FAITH Always Wins

Fears God
Loves God
Trusts God
Exalts Bible
Sees Invisible
Sees Reward
Wins Race
God is better than your feelings or heart.

God is better than a fortune of any kind.

God is better than any fad by mere men.

God is better than any fleece or coincidences.
FAITH Makes Champions

Abraham
Joseph
Moses
Rahab
David
Daniel
Esther
Many Decisions in Life

- Marriage
- Job
- Church
- Friends
- Speech
- Bible
- Music
- Rulers
- Holidays
- Serving
- Child training
- Attendance
- Productivity
- Saving
- Eating
- Television
- Clothes
- Sex
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