

Part 26 Called to Choose Between Life or Death and Blessings or Curses

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No, the message is very close at hand; it is on your lips and in your heart so that you can obey it.

Now listen! Today I am giving you a choice between life and death, between prosperity and disaster.

For I command you this day to love the Lord your God and to keep his commands, decrees, and regulations by walking in his ways.

If you do this, you will live and multiply, and the Lord your God will bless you and the land you are about to enter and occupy.

But if your heart turns away and you refuse to listen, and if you are drawn away to serve and worship other gods,

then I warn you now that you will certainly be destroyed. You will not live a long, good life in the land you are crossing the Jordan to occupy.

Today I have given you the choice between life and death, between blessings and curses.

Now I call on heaven and earth to witness the choice you make. Oh, that you would choose life, so that you and your descendants might live!

You can make this choice by loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and committing yourself firmly to him.

This is the key to your life.

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The Choice

Life and prosperity vs.

Death and disaster

The Terms

- Love the Lord your God
- Obey His commands
- Obey His decrees
- Obey His regulations
- Walk in His ways
- Commit yourself firmly to Him

Covenant Breakers

- Your heart turns away
- You refuse to listen
- You are drawn away
- You serve other gods
- You worship other gods

Positive Results

- You will live (eternal life)
- The Lord your God will bless you
- You will multiply (blessings)
- Your land will be blessed
- You will inherit God's promises

Negative Results

- You will certainly be destroyed
- You will not live a long, good life
- Your land will be cursed
- You will endure many disasters (curses)
- You will inherit God's curses

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Visible and Public Faith

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1 Timothy 2:3-4

[3] This is good and pleases God our Savior, [4] who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth.

2 Peter 3:9

The Lord isn't really being slow about his promise, as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent.

Principle #4

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What will you choose?

If you have truly made Christ your Lord and Savior, has your faith revealed itself visibly, publicly, and in community?

What is God calling you to do through this series?

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