

# Building



The Incredible Family



# Decisions, Decisions



**An adult human makes an average of 35,000 choices a day each choice requires a decision**

**Most of those choices are insignificant and we make them without a ton of thought**

**Many are midlevel decisions that may require thought but in the realm of reality they are not that important**

**Some are critical decisions we have to make them at that moment or there are some immediate consequences to deal with (4 life altering decisions a day)**



# Adding God to the Equation



**But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.”**

**Joshua 24:15**

**God gave you free will and allows you to make decisions, even those that will lead you away from him**



# Godly Decisions



**In fact, think about it this way, including God in your decision making is yet another choice you must make**

**When you choose to do so it is absolutely a life altering decision because God has a different perspective than you**

**He may also lead in a direction that was not your intent before (Genesis 12:1)**



# The Warning Label



**This applies on all levels; Individual,  
Family, and Church**

**Incredible decisions are not incredibly easy to make**

**Incredible decisions are not always incredibly popular**

**If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own.  
As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen  
you out of the world. That is why the world hates you.**

**John 15:19**



# **How to Make Incredible Decisions (God Style)**



# **Seek Incredible Advice**

**You are not designed to make decisions alone**



**It's not just about listening to people  
but listening to God**





# Seek Incredible Advice



**The proverbs of Solomon son of David, king of Israel: for gaining wisdom and instruction; for understanding words of insight; for receiving instruction in prudent behavior, doing what is right and just and fair; for giving prudence to those who are simple, knowledge and discretion to the young— let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance— for understanding proverbs and parables, the sayings and riddles of the wise.**

**Proverbs 1:1-6**





# **Have Incredible Patience**



**Wait for the Lord; Be strong and let your heart  
take courage; Yes, wait for the Lord.**

**Psalm 27:14**

**The end of a matter is better than its beginning, and  
patience is better than pride.**

**Ecclesiastes 7:8**



# Act with Incredible Compassion



**But the wisdom from above is first pure,  
then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of  
mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.**

**James 3:17**

**What does Compassion have to do with decision  
making?**

**EVERYTHING!**



# **Act with Incredible Compassion**



**Incredible decisions are not just about  
choice, they consider other people**

## **IT CAN'T JUST BE ABOUT YOU!**

**Incredible decisions are more than just about incredible  
thoughts, they hinge on incredible thoughtfulness**



# Show Incredible Discipline



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# **Show Incredible Discipline**



**Then the people answered, “Far be it from us to forsake the Lord to serve other gods!”**

**Joshua 24:16**

**But the people said to Joshua, “No! We will serve the Lord.”**

**Joshua 24:21**

**And the people said to Joshua, “We will serve the Lord our God and obey him.”**

**Joshua 24:24**



# Incredible Problem



**After that whole generation had been gathered to their ancestors, another generation grew up who knew neither the Lord nor what he had done for Israel. Then the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the Lord and served the Baals. They forsook the Lord, the God of their ancestors, who had brought them out of Egypt. They followed and worshiped various gods of the peoples around them. They aroused the Lord's anger because they forsook him and served Baal and the Ashtoreths.**

**Judges 2:10-13**



# Incredible Reality

**You can make all the good decisions you want, but the incredible decision is one you can live with and pass on.**



**If You are looking for  
Incredible Results**



**Choose Godly**