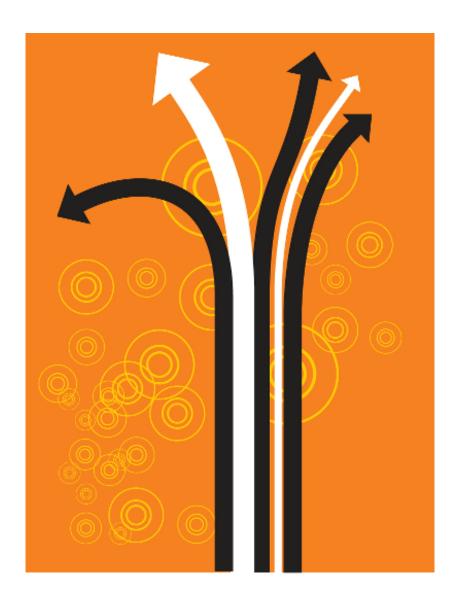
# GOD AND DECISION MAKING



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## "GOLD" DECISION MAKING

**1 Corinthians 10:31** "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

**Colossians 3:17** "And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

#### **GOD & GUIDANCE**

When making a decision, seek out what God has to say on the topic in the Scriptures. You can also ask trusted Christian friends to assist in your decision-making.

**Matthew 6:33** "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

**Proverbs 15:22** "Without consultation plans are frustrated, but with many counselors they succeed."

#### **OUTCOME**

When making a decision, understand all the expected (and unexpected) consequences. Every decision you make will have an impact on yourself and others. Think through the results you would like to bring about.

**Galatians 6:7-8** "Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, form the Spirit will reap eternal life."

### **LIMITS**

When making a decision, know the borders and boundaries for Christian living. Trust that God will bless those who follow his will. Likewise, those who ignore character boundaries often pay the price.

**Psalm 16:6** "The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance."

Proverbs 22:28 "Do not move an ancient boundary stone set up by your forefathers."

## **DETAILS**

When making a decision, gather all the facts so you can make an informed decision. Break down the decision into small identifiable pieces and compare them to the big picture; and remember your priorities!

Proverbs 3:13 "Blessed is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding."

**Proverbs 19:8** "He who gets wisdom loves his own soul' he who cherishes understanding prospers."

# **RESOURCES**

Henry Blackaby, Experiencing God: Knowing and Doing the Will of God, bible study

Kevin DeYoung, Just Do Something: How to Make a Decision Without Dreams, Visions, Fleeces, Open Doors, Random Bible Verses, Casting Lots, Liver Shivers, Writing in the Sky, etc.

Charles Swindoll, The Mystery of God's Will