HOW TO MAKE A DECISION

Scripture: Hebrews 11:24-26 "By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called, the son of pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season, esteeming the respect unto the recompense of the reward."

Moses applied five GRACE principles in making his decision to identify with his people instead of Egypt. Remember, Moses was the heir to the throne of Egypt, and Moses would have been one of the greatest pharaoh's of all time.

- 1. "BY FAITH" In the process of making a decision, Moses was in fellowship, and used the principle of putting his faith in the promises of God. In decision making make sure you are in fellowship. "Without faith it is impossible to please Him."
- 2. "REFUSED TO BE CALLED" In making a decision one must be able to refuse and choose. This is thinking Divine Viewpoint as opposed to human viewpoint. This is application of the Word of God to your experience. Many people cannot make a decision because they cannot refuse, they cannot say "no." They want the best of two worlds.
- 3. "CHOOSING RATHER" Moses in considering the facts, took in the panorama of the consequences of his decision. At the point of the decision he may appear to look foolish, but time bore out the wisdom of his decision. Moses was spiritually self sufficient; he was responsible for his own actions, which is the better part of maturity.
- 4. "ESTEEMING THE REPROACH" The word "esteem" means Moses in fellowship, considered all the angles. But he had the Divine Viewpoint in his human spirit, and he knew the will of God meant much more than all glitter in Egypt. Being a believer does not rule out thinking. You can think.
- 5. "FOR HE HAD RESPECT" When Moses finally made the decision to identify with his own people, it was with eternities in view. He "endured as seeing Him who is invisible". The world that Moses could see by faith was more real to him that the world he could see by rationalism and empiricism.

CONCLUSION: When you make a decision, never look back, keep on moving. Don't shift back and forth and muse, "Now did I or did I not make a right decision?" This is verse 27, "By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king."

FAITH, REFUSE, CHOOSE, ESTEEM, RESPECT, THIS IS GOD'S WILL FOR YOUR LIFE

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