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Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Isaiah 53:6** and **Psalms 23:1-3**. Describe the difference between decision-making as a Christian and decision-making as a non-Christian – especially in light of the analogy these passages enlist.
2. Read **Psalms 119:9-16** and **Proverbs 3:5-6**. Describe a situation where you had to abandon “your own understanding” in your deliberations regarding a significant decision, out of deference to truths found in the Bible.
3. Read **Psalms 19:7-11**. How would you respond to a skeptic who says you're foolish to defer to God's word and prayer to make practical decisions about your work, where to live, or how to invest your time and resources?
4. Read **2 Thessalonians 1:11-12**. What sorts of Jesus-glorifying resolves to do good surfaced in your mind as you studied and reflected on this weekend's sermon?
5. Read **Psalms 25:4-5**. Which subpoint of the ten presented in this sermon was most helpful, convicting, or challenging as you consider your decision-making and why?

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website and App (FPR.org).

- Msg. 22-01 – **Anything, Anyplace, Anytime**
- Msg. 22-28 – **Discerning God's Will**
- Msg. 07-09 – **Living Life with the Hope of a New Purpose**
- Msg. 07-23 – **Attempting Great Things for God**
- Msg. 13-20 – **Staying on Task**
- Msg. 13-33 – 13-35 – **ATAPAT: Our Struggle to Say Anything, Anyplace, Anytime**
- Msg. 01-31 – 01-34 – **Taking Christ to Work** (a four-part series on vocation)

Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Dec. 31 st	Mal.1-4 & Rev.22
Jan. 1 st	Gen.1-2 & Mt.1
Jan. 2 nd	Gen.3-5 & Mt.2
Jan. 3 rd	Gen.6-8 & Mt.3
Jan. 4 th	Gen.9-11 & Mt.4
Jan. 5 th	Gen.12-14 & Mt.5:1-26
Jan. 6 th	Gen.15-17 & Mt.5:27-48
Jan. 7 th	Gen.18-19 & Mt.6

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

- Allen, Jason. **Discerning Your Call to Ministry: How to Know for Sure & What to Do About It**. Moody Publishers, 2016.
- Barclay, William B. **The Secret of Contentment**. P & R Publishing, 2011.
- MacArthur, John. **Found: God's Will: Find the Direction and Purpose God Wants for Your Life**. David Cook, 2012.
- Packer, J. I. **God's Will: Finding Guidance for Everyday Decisions**. Baker Books, 2012.
- Phillips, Dan. **God's Wisdom in Proverbs: Hearing God's Voice in Scripture**. Kress, 2011.
- Ryken, Philip Graham, ed. **The Communion of the Saints: Living in Fellowship with the People of God**. P & R, 2001.
- Strauch, Alexander. **The Hospitality Commands: Building Loving Christian Community**. Lewis & Roth, 2016.
- Sweeting, Donald. **How to Finish the Christian Life: Following Jesus in the Second Half**. Moody Press, 2012.
- Swindoll, Charles R. **Searching the Scriptures: Find the Nourishment Your Soul Needs**. Tyndale House, 2016.
- _____. **Improving Your Serve: The Art of Unselfish Living**. Reprint. Word, 2002.
- Whitney, Donald. **Spiritual Disciplines within the Church: Participating Fully in the Body of Christ**. Moody, 1996.
- Wiersbe, Warren. **Living with the Giants: The Lives of Great Men of the Faith**. Baker Books, 1993.
- Woodbridge, John D., ed. **More than Conquerors: Portraits of Believers from All Walks of Life**. Moody, 1992.