

FORMATION LESSON 6

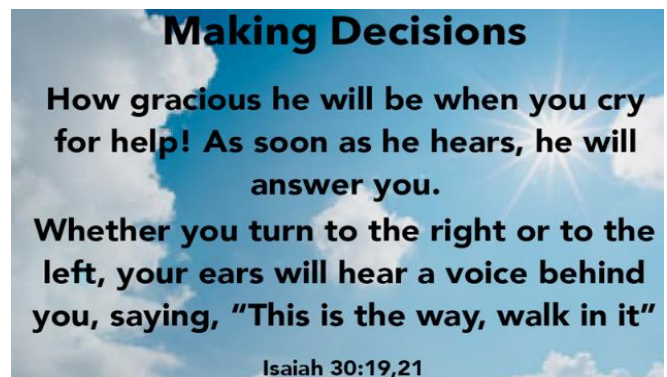
Making The Bible Come Alive: Reading And Praying The Scriptures

Objective:

- To Enhance familiarity and comfort with the Bible
- To expand awareness of the relevance of the Scriptures, especially the New Testament, as a guide for personal life
- To offer information and practices that can make experience with the Bible more fruitful and enjoyable

Scriptures – Influence in our life

Influences in our life – we are encountered with couple of influences, but it is all up to us to select the proper influences in our life. We are faced with variety of decisions but to make the correct decision is one's individual choice. In the same way "all scriptures are useful for teaching and turning back error, for correction and for showing you what is right and just and good"



The New Testament – The Christian Scriptures

The New Testament contains a collection of books that help us live as followers of Jesus and to make the kinds of decisions.

What is an Epistle?:

An Epistle is: a) one of the letters adopted as books of the New Testament
 b) a liturgical lection usually from one of the New Testament

An Epistle was a letter written on a scroll most often dictated by an author to a scribe and then reviewed by the author before being delivered by a trustworthy messenger. Epistles in the Scriptures are only found in the New Testament.

Letters, or Epistles, of encouragement and corrections were sent to churches and to individuals. 22 Epistles/Letters are part of the New Testament. All the letters contain messages that teach Christians and help them live out their vocation. The first 21 letters help Christians make important decisions. The last letter, Revelation, helps Christians prepare for a future that is in God's hands.

How Scriptures help us to make our decisions?

4 Questions to Ask Yourself
so You Can Make
Wise Decisions

1. Will your decision bring you to a place where you're closer to Christ or further away from Him?
(1 Cor. 10:23,24)
2. Will your decision bring you to a place that will cause another Believer to stumble?
(Mark 9:42)
3. Will your decision cause you to be strengthened, encouraged, and equipped in the Lord?
(1 Cor. 8:13)
4. Will your decision ultimately glorify the Lord?
(1 Cor. 10:31)

Before Making a Decision...

Pray about everything
Philippians 4:6-7

When in doubt, don't
Romans 14:23

Ask "What does the Bible say?"
John 17:17

Do what you know is right
James 4:14

Don't let fear influence you
1 John 4:18

OUR BIBLE IS A TIMELESS, TRUTHFUL, LIVING TREASURE

5 Scriptures
for Making
Decisions

1. Luke 5:16
Tune out distractions
2. Proverbs 19:20
Seek godly advice
3. James 4:1
Narrow down choices
4. James 1:22
Do something
5. Psalm 28:7
Thank for answers

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To Do List For Child:

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Read: 1 Samuel 20

To Do List For Parents:

Please ensure your child learns:

- ***Spiritual Works of Mercy***
- ***Corporal Works of Mercy***

David and Jonathan Are Friends

—1 Samuel 18-20



Friends Forever

When David was serving King Saul, he became good friends with Saul's son, Jonathan. David and Jonathan were such good friends that when Saul decided to try to kill David, Jonathan warned David so he could get away.

To find out what Jonathan said to David, go around the path twice. First, put every letter in a circle on the lines below. Then go back and use every letter in a box.

