

# Choose You This Day Whom Ye Will Serve

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**Joshua 24:14-15**, "Now therefore fear the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the Lord. And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

There comes a day in our lives when we are faced with an important choice. While there are many important choices to make in life one is far more important than any other. It is the choice as to what we believe and what, or who, we live for. We have to realize that we are here on earth for a time and then we will leave this life. What then? Have we given any thought about what happens next? Many are deceived by the world and think that there is nothing beyond this life.

There are some people who preplan their funeral and that is a good thing to do. Those who have done

this have taken care of their body and taken care of the body only. They have done nothing to prepare and to take care of the soul if they have not placed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He is the only one who can take care of the soul.

Now, this very day, is the time to prepare for eternity and where it is to be spent. Each of us has to make a decision about our life and what we believe. There are many voices in this world that call to us to believe this or that. Which is the right one, we may ask? While there are many paths in life that we have to choose from, there is only one that leads to Jesus and heaven. Satan tries to confuse mankind with many choices and cause him to take one that looks easy and pleasurable. Many people go with what looks good and requires little, or no, effort.

If you notice it is sort of like the many diets that are advertised. I have seen a few that said that all you had to do was take a pill and nothing else to lose weight. I mentioned it to my doctor and he said, "If that worked don't you think that I would be giving them to my patients?" Some preachers present an easy gospel that is similar to the diet plan. They say that all that a person has to do is say that they believe in Jesus and they have it made. According to them a

person can continue to live in sin and he will still go to heaven. Sound good? Sure it does to the flesh, for most people don't want to give up the things that he enjoys. Whether it's food, or something that he likes to do, a person don't like to be told that he should quit it.

A choice has to be made many times in life and some of them are difficult to make. The most important one that we, as individuals, have to make is whether we obey the call to come to Jesus. Nothing else comes close, not a career choice, or even a spouse. Choosing Jesus is choosing where and how we will spend eternity, while all others choices deal with our temporary life here on earth. Joshua made it plain to the people of Israel that there was a choice to be made and that they had to make it.

We that live today have the same choice to make, either we choose to honor the God of creation and live for him, or we serve the material things of this world. The material things are the idols of many people as they live to possess the items made by man. They offer a temporary pleasure and a false security that deceive many people. How much better it is to choose the Lord who made the world and created man. Choosing him is to choose life for ever.

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This is a dramatized version of facts taken from the Book of Joshua, intending to show some of the customs of these ancient and traditional times

**OTHNIEL'S TRIUMPH**  
OTHNIEL HAS HAD ALL HIS MEN WHO CARRY BRASS SHIELDS POLISH THEM TO A HIGH SHINE - NOW HE HAS PLACED THE MEN UP ON THE HEIGHTS OPPOSITE THE GIANTS' CITY...

STAND YE THERE - AND, WHEN YOU SEE MY SIGNAL, DO EVEN AS I HAVE COMMANDED OF THEE!

ASA, TAKE THY BEST ARCHERS AND SLINGSHOT MEN, AND PLACE THEM ON THE HIGH GROUND!

THOU SHALT NOT LOOSE AN ARROW NOR A STONE UNTIL THOU HAST SEEN MY COMMAND!

NOW, YE WARRIORS OF JUDAH - FOLLOW ME...

AND OTHNIEL'S MEN FOLLOW QUICKLY IN THE WAKE OF THEIR LEADER - THE ATTACK HAS BEEN MOUNTED AND THE GIANTS ATOP THE HIGH WALLS AWAIT THEM!

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