

If you want to make a wise decision, ask: a thousand years from now, what decision will I wish I had made today? No decision can be good in time if it is not good in eternity.

Isaiah 55:8,9

8 *"For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," says the LORD.*

9 *"For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.*

Romans 12:1,2

1 *I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.*

2 *And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.*

TUG OF WAR : PAIN & PLEASURE

Pain and pleasure refuse to listen to the demands of rationality; they insist on immediate fulfillment, rejecting thoughts about the consequences. Only the present moment counts.

That is why we need to have our heart and mind firmly grounded in God's Word. Through prayer, the grace of God, the work of the Holy Spirit and the help of godly friends, we must stand firm against the pull of pain or pleasure, that cause us to compromise.

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Horizontal Perspective

- If it satisfies a need, it must be right.
- If it looks good, it must be right.
- If it enhances me in some way, it must be right.

Vertical Perspective

"For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever."
(1 John 2:16,17)

CHALLENGES

David & Goliath



Horizontal Perspective

- The problem seems bigger than God and His promise.
- I feel intimidated.
- I feel inadequate.

Vertical Perspective

- Nothing is bigger than God and with God all things are possible.
- God is on my side because He said He'd never leave me nor forsake me.
- God can use the little I have to accomplish His purpose through me.

PURPOSE & VALUES

PURPOSES & VALUES Eric Liddle and Harold

Horizontal Perspective

- I must live for myself and my dreams.
- I must look good before man.
- Success is measured by what I accomplish and accumulate.

Vertical Perspective

- I must live to please God.
- I must look good before God.
- Success is measured by my obedience to God's will and plan for my life.