



*“Triumphant In Christ, Victorious In Life”*

**NEW SERIES: “Wisdom & Divine Direction”**

Sermon Connection Handout: “Stop” – 1/13/2019

**Read Proverbs 4:5 - 12 (NKJV)**

- We stated last week that \_\_\_\_\_ is the unfolding and revealing of God’s masterplan, whereas \_\_\_\_\_ is the steps you take to accomplish it.
- **DIVINE** \_\_\_\_\_ is a lifetime demand. You and I will never get to a point in life where you will no longer require \_\_\_\_\_.

**START! – BRIEF REVIEW OF LAST WEEK**

**Psalms 119:105 (TPT)** – *“Truth’s shining light guides me in my choices and decisions; the revelation of Your Word makes my pathway clear.”*

- We asked this question last week: In light of the New Year what must I \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_...?
- The \_\_\_\_\_ you make this year every day this year should \_\_\_\_\_ with receiving **DIVINE DIRECTION** from God and His Word. What does the Word say? Or, what does the Lord say about this?
- The \_\_\_\_\_ we make today determine the stories we tell and the success and victories we experience in our lives tomorrow.
- Your best \_\_\_\_\_ ever is the one you’re about to make – right now.
- Think of life this New Year 2019 as a MULTIPLE CHOICE TEST! And, if you’ll courageously **START** each day by opening your heart to the Lord and His Word, I believe God will greatly lead you, step by step. The CHOICE is YOURS! You have the **FREEDOM IN CHRIST** to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - If you truly want \_\_\_\_\_ and **DIVINE DIRECTION** from God, you have to \_\_\_\_\_ spending time with Him and in His Word.
  - If you’re driven by the right \_\_\_\_\_, God will lead you to the right \_\_\_\_\_.
  - If you’re not ready to \_\_\_\_\_ facing opposition for your obedience to God, you’re not ready to \_\_\_\_\_ being used by God.
- You must \_\_\_\_\_: *What matters MOST! What matters NOW! And, what matters to the PLAN and Will of God to you!*
- When it come to the Will of God for our life, God care about:
  - (1<sup>st</sup>) God cares about \_\_\_\_\_ before \_\_\_\_\_. **Read 1 Thessalonians 4:3 – 7 (NLT)**
  - \_\_\_\_\_ by making a DECISION to BE the \_\_\_\_\_ in the present before you \_\_\_\_\_ in the future.
  - We have the God-given **POWER TO BECOME** the \_\_\_\_\_ God intended for us to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (2<sup>nd</sup>) God cares about the \_\_\_\_\_ before the \_\_\_\_\_ when it comes to the Will of God in your life.
    - \_\_\_\_\_ matter to God!
    - **Proverbs 16:2 (NLT)** – *“2 People may be pure in their own eyes, but the LORD examines their motives.”*
    - God’s will for you is to be a \_\_\_\_\_ more so than you doing \_\_\_\_\_.

**STOP!**

- Melina Marchetta once said “Stop. Revive. Survive.” Friends, God through His \_\_\_\_\_ gives us the POWER TO DISCERN which is the wise decision and which are the unwise

decisions. \_\_\_\_\_ is God’s navigational tool for helping us make decisions about the life He wants us to live and we want to live.

- **Read Philippians 1:9 – 11 (NKJV)**. Some questions for you to consider: Are there \_\_\_\_\_ Signs God is showing you to obey this year? (**Exodus 18:17 – 19 (NKJV)**) – the simple WISE instruction to discern: \_\_\_\_\_ Controlling! Empower others! Is God calling you to abort, abandon, or abolish something, to \_\_\_\_\_ one thing that helps you live the story He wants you to tell? Is it QUITTING TIME in your heart (spirit) in your over indulgence on social media, television, fast food, sugar and sodas? Is it time to clearly discern that \_\_\_\_\_ in your spirit for that unhealthy emotional or thinking habit?
- I’M HERE TO TELL YOU THAT BY THE POWER OF CHRIST, YOU CAN \_\_\_\_\_ ANYTHING THAT HE CALLS YOU TO STOP. IF JESUS IS YOUR LORD AND PERSONAL SAVIOR, THEN THE SAME SPIRIT WHO RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD DWELLS WITHIN YOU! AND HE WILL GIVE YOU THE POWER TO \_\_\_\_\_.

**3 BIG STOP SIGNS!**

**Proverbs 4:7 (NLT)** – “*Getting wisdom is **the wisest thing you can do!** And whatever else you do, **develop good judgment.***”

- **1 Corinthians 1:24 (NLT)**
- **Proverbs 2:6 – 7 (NKJV)**
- **3 BIG STOP SIGNS:** THESE **STOPS** CONTRIBUTE TO “DIRECTIONAL WISDOM”.
- **1st STOP SIGN – \_\_\_\_\_**
- **Proverbs 13:20 (NKJV)** – “*He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed.*” – WHO are you WALKING with? WHO is your companion and friend?
  - **1 Corinthians 15:33 (TPT)** – “*So stop fooling yourselves! Evil companions will corrupt good morals and character.*”
  - **It is impossible to live right and live wisely – when you have the wrong, unwise or foolish friends.**
  - So when will you DECIDE to \_\_\_\_\_ WALKING with the UNWISE and FOOLISH?
- **2nd – STOP SIGN – \_\_\_\_\_ James 1:5 (TPT)** – “*If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.*”
  - When will you DECIDE to \_\_\_\_\_ doing and deciding the big and small things in your life without ASKING for WISDOM? **Psalms 32:8 (NLT)**
- **3rd – STOP SIGN – \_\_\_\_\_**
- When you decide to \_\_\_\_\_ and pray and think wisely before you decide…?
- **Read Proverbs 3:5 – 8**
  - Make the choice – make the call! Where there is no moral command – God gives you wisdom to choose. Love and trust – you decide!

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