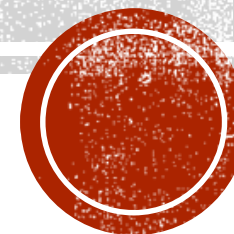
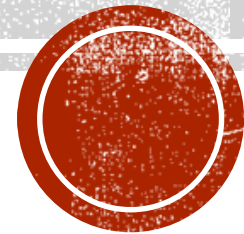


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The Foundation of our Lives



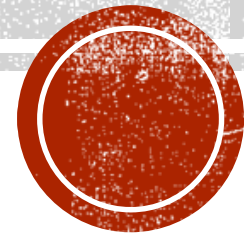
# EVERYONE CHOOSES WHO THEY WILL BE!

- We see this in God's admonitions to Cain – Gen. 4:6-7
- We see it in the choice God presented Israel as they entered the Promised Land – Deut. 30:19-20
- We see it in the choice God has laid before each of us – Rom. 6:16
- The world wants to deny the connection and blame others or circumstances.
- Men like Hezekiah show that individual choices make us who we are – 2 Kings 18:1, 3, 5



# CHOICES

Determine Your Character



# CHARACTER IS CHOICES

- We have been forming our character from an early age by what we choose to think, say, and do – Eccl. 11:9–12:1
- Character is not derived by external circumstances, but from what we choose to do with those circumstances.
  - Circumstances do affect us, but how we respond to them is our choice.
  - Saul and David are good examples of this truth – 1 Sam. 13:14; 15:28; 1 Kings 11:34



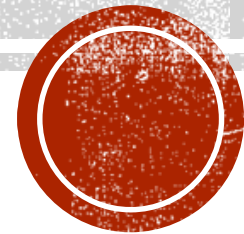
# CHARACTER IS CHOICES: THE WORLD TRIES TO DENY IT

- People want to disassociate their character from their choices and actions.
- How else is one's character to be judged?
  - The world screams “judge not” (Mt. 7:1), while being quick to judge those who disagree!
  - The world judges character by choices through drug tests and background checks.
- God says choices/actions show who we are and they are to be judged – Matt. 12:35-37



# CHOICES

Determine Where You Stand before God



# GOD JUDGES OUR CHOICES

- Our choices determine whether God judges us to be righteous or wicked – 1 Jn. 3:7-8, 10
- Even the “little” choices count!
  - Everyday moral and priority choices shape who we are!
  - These choices change us for the better or worse, laying the foundation of our future choices – Dan. 6:10
- You will be held accountable for your choices and their consequences – Gal. 6:7





# CONCLUSION

- Life is choices
- Choices have eternal consequences – 2 Cor. 5:10
- God has revealed the better way of life – 1 Pet. 3:10-12
- Making the right choices is not easy – Matt. 7:13-14
- Those who commit to God and righteousness will receive help from God – Phil. 4:13
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# CONCLUSION

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- Go to heaven or hell – Matt. 10-12
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**What will you  
choose today?**

