Are there some decisions I will never regret?

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INTRODUCTION

- There is a way to avoid many of the painful regrets that people have to live with throughout their lives. We can make better choices.
- Even during the time of your youth, even during your growing up years, you can make some choices, some decisions that you will never regret.
- What I want us to do is to think about seven specific choices we can make in life that you never will regret.

1 Saying No to Drugs, Alcohol and Cigarettes

Proverbs 20:1; 1 Corinthians 6:9–10; 1 Corinthians 6:19–20

- Wine is a mocker and strong drink a brawler, and whoever is deceived by it is not wise.
- Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own, for you have been bought with a price.
- When I'm living my life for God's glory, there's no place for stuff like this.

2 Listening to a Godly Mother and Father

Ephesians 6:1–3

- Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother, which is the first commandment with a promise.
- So that it may be well with you. And that you may live long on the earth.
- Your life is going to be better. When you listen to godly parents trying to steer you in the right direction.

3 Getting Up on Sunday Morning

Hebrews 10:23–25

- A lot of young people begin their gradual slide away from the Lord with that first time they decided, I'm going to sleep in today.
- Not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some. But encouraging one another in all the more as you see the day drawing near.
- Getting up on Sunday morning ultimately is about helping us hang on to our faith.

4 Waiting Until You're Married to Have Sex

Hebrews 13:4

- The truth is you can live lives of purity, and the fact is a lot of young people do.
- Marriage is to be held in honor among all, and the marriage bed is to be undefiled for fornicators and adulterers. God will judge.

- It's never just sex. It's serious business reserved for a couple only within the commitment, the bond of marriage.

5 Choosing to Get Involved with the Lord's Work

1 Peter 4:10

- Some young people look at their growing up years as a time when they get a pass on the Lord's work.
- And the command is employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.
- If I'm a disciple, then I've got work I'm supposed to be doing. Whether I am 13 or 33 or 83.

6 Letting Go of a Grudge; Sticking with God

Colossians 3:12–13; Ephesians 4:26–27; Hebrews 3:12–14

- It is the work of the devil to get in among us and to persuade us to hang on to bitter grudges.
- There is one decision we can make that we will not regret, and that is the decision. To forgive. To let go of the grudge.
- You'll never regret sticking with God. Staying with the Lord for your whole life.
- Take care, brethren, that there not be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart that falls away from the living God.
- We've got to stick with him all the way to the end if we want to go to heaven.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Will you make a decision tonight that one day you'll regret? Or will you make a choice tonight that you'll never regret?**

MY NOTES