At The Fork In The Road

Ken Chapman · Hebrews 11:23–29

INTRODUCTION

- We want to look at that text this morning as we will see Moses standing at the proverbial fork in the road.
- Let's not take lightly the decisions that these men and women of faith made. They wrestled with these decisions, these profound decisions of faith.
- But the text reminds us over and over again in Hebrews chapter 11 that by faith he chose the proper path.

1 A Time to Step Up and Make a Decision

- There is a time in which we must step up and make a decision.
- There are decisions in life that have monumental consequences to them. What we might call the big life-changing decisions.
- The big decision to become a child of God, to absent ourselves of our own selfish will, and to humbly bow before God in worship and obedience.
- To be brave and to be bold in making sometimes a costly decision. And to be a leader.
- Though you may never lead a corporation, a family, or a congregation, you are to be a leader of your own spiritual destiny.
- Through your example and the influence that you give in making a decisive choice and living that proper godly choice out, you will be a leader.

2 Decisions Involve Both a Yes and a No

1 John 2:15–17; Hebrews 11:26; Matthew 7

- By virtue of definition, making a decision means we're saying yes to something and no to something else.
- Moses said no to being the son of Pharaoh's daughter. He also said no to the passing pleasures of sin, the text says.
- And the world is passing away and the lust of it. But he who does the will of God abides forever.
- He said yes to the suffering, yes to the reproaches, but he said yes to the reward.
- Not making a choice is a choice in itself.
- If you're looking at the journey, if you're looking at the pathway, you're going to choose the easy path. But if you're looking at the destination, you're going to choose the difficult path.

3 Moses Illustrates How We Get This Right

Hebrews 5:14

- By faith, Moses chose the right pathway.
- His faith allowed him to see beyond the immediate temptation and the instant gratification that this world offers.

- Moses got it right. Because he had a clear eye for distinguishing between right and wrong.
- Solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.
- This life is a training ground because life is full of decisions, some small, some medium size, some life altering monumental choices.
- Decision making is about determining value. Saying yes and saying no, is about determining value. Of knowing what's worth our life.

THE CHALLENGE

You stand at that fork in the road this morning. Which path will you choose?

MY NOTES