



Wise Decision Making

Whether big or small, making godly decisions is key to following Christ in your daily life. Taken from 1 Corinthians chapters 6, 8, and 10, this resource can help you think through many aspects of making a decision. You may use this as a worksheet to fill out as you answer the questions. The first step to making a decision is to pray: “God lead me and guide me. Purify my motives - get rid of any selfishness or unrighteousness within me. I want to serve you in anything and everything, putting you first! Help me open my heart and mind to the best way to think about this situation, even if it’s new to me.” Try to wait and listen to God’s voice throughout this process. From 1 Corinthians, we can ask ourselves the following questions.

1. Is it good for me?

1 Corinthians 6:12a says, “Everything is permissible for me...but not everything is beneficial.” Is this decision beneficial to you and those around you?

2. Can it control me?

1 Corinthians 6:12b says, “Everything is permissible for me...but I will not be mastered by anything.” Another question you could ask is whether or not this decision is habit-forming. How would it impact other areas of your life?

3. Does it encourage someone to do something she thinks is wrong? Is it a stumbling block for him?

1 Corinthians 8:12 says, “When you sin against your brothers in this way and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ.” Ask yourself if your actions will cause someone else to stumble and what the consequences might be.

4. Does it glorify God?

1 Corinthians 10:31 says, “So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.” Ask yourself what your motivations are.

May you be blessed in wisdom as you make decisions for the glory of God!

