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Circles of Influence



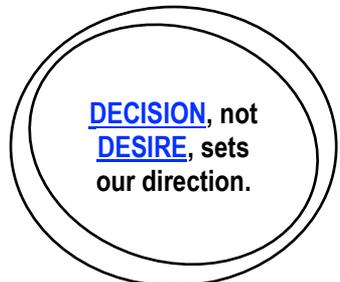
**ACTIONS, not
INTENTIONS,
shift the course
of our lives.**

Galatians 5:13-15

¹³For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love. ¹⁴For the whole law can be summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵But if you are always biting and devouring one another, watch out! Beware of destroying one another.

Proverbs 31:8-9

*⁸Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves; ensure justice for those being crushed.
⁹Yes, speak up for the poor and helpless, and see that they get justice.*



**DECISION, not
DESIRE, sets
our direction.**

How to receive forgiveness from God:

- 1) Admit you, like everyone else, need new LIFE in Jesus.
- 2) Ask God to forgive your sins by the sacrifice of Jesus.
- 3) Receive new LIFE from God by trusting in Jesus as your Savior & Lord.

You can do that right now by simply talking to God in a prayer like this:

Dear Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner, and I ask for Your forgiveness. I believe You died for my sins and rose from the dead. Today, I receive you as my Savior; and I put my faith in you as my LORD. Help me to live for you all the days of my life. In Your name, Amen.

If you chose to follow Jesus today, text “FAITH” to 309-250-2007 to receive additional information about next steps in following Jesus.

For Further Reflection (these and other reflections can be found on pages 24-30 of the *Life in Circles* booklet—[download that resource here](#)):

Read Galatians 5:13-26—consider using a scripture translation different than what you normally choose.

:: What circles of relationship and influence are seen here?

*:: How are **freedom** and **servng one another** related?*

:: This scripture seems to indicate we are either bearing the fruit of life or the evidence of death.

:: What are the implications of this for us personally?

:: What are the implications of this for us in our circles?

What are needs around you that your circles of influence may be able to meet, allowing Jesus to be the hero of that story?

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