

# Tougher Choices, Better Results

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## Proverbs 11

Just like a buffet at a restaurant, the Bible has a little bit of everything that we need or choose to read and glean from to give our spirit what it needs.

However, as I was contemplating what to write my thoughts drifted to what if God didn't want me to have a little bit of everything I wanted but He wanted to pick one specific thing out for me out of all of what was before me because that one specific thing is what I needed most at the current moment.

That one specific thing may not be what I want, but it's the better choice for me for where I'm going or what the Lord has created me to do.

Even though the Bible has all these different lessons we can learn, I feel like there will be times when the Lord wants to specifically give each of us one thing to dine on, to digest in order for us to go through what we may not even see coming.

The Bible talks about having all of these good qualities, but without love none of it matters. God will use one thing to drive home what our focus needs to be.

When Jesus was at the beginning of His ministry & He was choosing His disciples, He could have chosen 50-100 different men and women – He had a whole population at His fingertips! Instead, He chose to walk a certain distance, He chose a certain path & He picked specific people to be the ones surrounding Him for His time of physical ministry here on Earth.

When God asked Solomon what he wanted, Solomon could have chosen anything!!! ANYTHING!!! He chose wisdom, and because He chose wisdom, God gave him everything else, wealth, honor, and long life. **(1 Kings 3:1-15)**

When Esther was queen, she could have chosen a very easy life, she could have chosen a different path, an easier path with luxury and all royalty had to offer but instead she chose to fast and pray & do one of the hardest things a woman could do in her day in order to save her people.

I believe that the Lord is requiring much from you and I – I believe that we need to start looking past the easy way out, looking past the easy answer, the nicer thing, and be ready by saying Your will be done Lord on Earth as it already is in Heaven. Knowing that it's very possible that the road ahead will be challenging, difficult, tiring, crazy, maybe even physically lonely and at times painful – BUT WORTH IT.

I challenge us all that the next time we read scripture to inquire of the Lord what the next thing is for us – to give us the boldness, the strength, the wisdom, & the grace to choose what He wants – something that may not look all that appetizing, but it's what God has for us, so it's all we need.

He will never leave us, He will always be our Help, He will lead and guide and He will love us through – so let's prepare for what He wants and allow God to work out the rest in our hearts knowing He will bless us with the better result as we do.

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