

## CHOICES

“Price is Right,” “Deal or No Deal,” “Wheel of Fortune” and “Let’s Make a Deal.” These and many more game shows ask the contestants to make a choice. Pick the box or window # 3. Calling letters to a puzzle is like shooting in the dark. By the way, I asked Bob Barker (past host on the Price is Right) if he and his wife had any children, he said that they gave them away on “Truth or Consequences” a game show from 50 years back.

We make choices every day. Some are good and some are bad. If you choose to run a red light there is a chance of an accident. Some choices affect us for a lifetime. If one chooses to drink and drive a car wreck has high possibilities, that would be a bad choice, especially if you end up killing someone.

If you choose to rent rather purchase a home, buy a truck or a car, eat at home or go out for dinner, choose the blue jacket or the red one, these are okay choices.

Sometimes you don’t have a choice. Because of poor health, I’m not able to attend church. I can watch it on live stream from David’s Star, which is great, but it doesn’t replace being with my friends and interacting with them, singing hymns or being part of a family.

I really miss not being able to worship, but we do receive communion a couple of times a month from our gracious pastors. We are able to return a portion of our income by mailing a check so that we are still part of the ministry locally and around the world. We watch “Time of Grace” on Sunday mornings, channel 5 at 10:30 AM. This still doesn’t replace the real thing, attending church.

One choice that we didn’t make! As we read the few passages below, we were chosen by the Lord Himself to be part of His kingdom. That includes both now and after we die, that includes heaven.

The Lord doing the choosing takes all of the worry and concern out of our life. We live like His children with all of the blessings that go with this.

Romans 8:32-34

He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

He chose you. He will not condemn you. He has completely forgiven you and prays for you. Wow! That makes our choice to worship him even more compelling.



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