

CHRISTIAN GROWTH COURSE - HOW TO BE MORE DECISIVE STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What were the Israelites doing in Elijah's time? 1 Kings 18:21.
2. What did Joshua, in his farewell address, challenge Israel to do, and what was Joshua himself going to do? Joshua 24:15.
3. What two choices did Moses give Israel? Deuteronomy 30:15.
4. Name some choices or decisions which Christians must make:

James 4:4

Matthew 6:19, 20, 24, 33

Romans 13:14

Luke 18:1; Philippians 4:6

Galatians 6:8

Matthew 7:13, 14

Romans 8:13

1 Corinthians 10:20, 21
5. What decisions did the following persons make, or were challenged to make?

Rich young man - Mark 10:21

Mary of Bethany - Luke 10:38-42

Zacchaeus - Luke 19:8

The four fishermen - Matthew 4:18-22

Joseph - Genesis 39:6-12
6. What two statements of Jesus show the need for decisiveness in spiritual matters? Matthew 12:30; Mark 9:40.

7. To what does James compare a "double-minded," doubting man? James 1:6-8.
8. What must a "double-minded" person do to be saved? James 4:8.
9. What were some "double-minded" people doing in Old Testament times? 2 Kings 17:33, 41; Zephaniah 1:5.
10. Why could the one-talent man not decide to invest his master's money for a profit? Matthew 25:24-29.
11. God does not give us a spirit of _____ . 2 Timothy 1:7.
12. What showed the half-heartedness of King Joash? 2 Kings 13:14-19.
13. How is a Christian to do the things he does? Ecclesiastes 9:10; Romans 12:11.
14. What must we forget if we are going to move forward toward our goals? Philippians 3:13, 14.
15. How did Jesus illustrate this principle? Luke 9:62.
16. Name some distractions that have turned people aside from their goals:

Luke 9:59

Luke 8:7, 14

Matthew 22:5

Luke 14:16-20

John 12:42, 43
17. Name some actions and statements of Jesus which show his decisiveness and determination to reach his goals:

Luke 2:41, 42, 49

Mark 1:35

Mark 1:38

John 4:34

Luke 12:50

Matthew 16:21; Luke 9:51

Mark 10:32

John 9:4

18. What showed the decisiveness of the repentant converts at Ephesus? Acts 19:18-20.

19. What are some goals Paul had?

Acts 16:10

Acts 20:16

Romans 1:10-15

Romans 15:22-24, 28

Galatians 2:9, 10; Romans 15:25-28

1 Corinthians 10:31-33

1 Corinthians 9:19-22

1 Corinthians 9:27

Philippians 3:10, 11

20. When we are not sure how to go all the way to our goal, what can we do, as illustrated in Joshua 3:14-16?

21. What did the following people give up in order to reach their main goals?

Abraham - Hebrews 11:8-10

Moses - Hebrews 11:24-26

Jesus - Luke 4:1

Jesus - Luke 4:5-8

Jesus - Luke 4:9-12

22. What did Jesus do so that he could succeed in sanctifying (making holy)

his followers? John 17:19.

23. What did Jesus do in order to accomplish the training of his disciples?
Mark 9:30-32; Luke 9:10.

24. Name some important goals for us as Christ's followers:

1 Corinthians 10:31-33

1 John 3:2, 3

Matthew 6:33

Hebrews 6:1-3

2 Timothy 2:15

Ephesians 4:13-15

Colossians 3:16a

Ephesians 5:18b

Matthew 16:24

25. Thought question: Name some things a person in our culture today might have to regulate or eliminate in order to reach his spiritual goals in Christ - compare Matthew 18:8, 9.