



Seeing the Future

Apprehension

Anticipation



Deuteronomy 30:19 (NLT)

“Today I have given you the choice  
between life and death, between blessings  
and curses. Now I call on heaven and earth  
to witness the choice you make. Oh, that  
you would **choose life**, so that you and  
your descendants might live!





What happens TO you in life,  
is not as important as decisions u make

*Choices* matter more than *circumstances*

You make your choices, then they make you



### **3M Breakthrough Strategy...**

**1. Mentor**

**2. Method**

**3. Mindskin**



### 3 John 1:2 (NKJV)

*“Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers”*



The Greek word for ‘prosper’ is the word, ‘**Euodoo**’ and it means

to succeed,  
to reach the destination,  
to fulfill purpose,  
to receive fruit for sowing,  
to have a vision,  
to see clearly;  
to reach the intended goal,  
to finish well.





**Matthew 4:17 (NKJV)**

**From that time Jesus began to preach and to say,**

**Repent**

**for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."**



**@ When David killed Goliath where did he choose to hit him with a stone? The mind! And if the point was not clear, David runs to Goliath when he is down on the ground and take the sword and cuts off his Head.**

**@When Jesus was crucified he was crucified in a place called Golgotha. Which simple means the place of the Skull.**

**@Also Golgotha, means Goliath from Gath. Bible Historians believe that it was the place where Goliath head was buried, and in the same place years later, Jesus won the war of death, sin and grave through the work of the cross.**



**2 Timothy 1:7 (NKJV)**

**For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power  
and of love and of a  
sound mind.**

**Sound Mind is taken from the Greek Word  
“Sophroneo” – A compound of two words,  
Sodzo – Saved or delivered  
Phroneo – intelligent thinking**

**So it means a Mind that is set free and thinking  
correctly**



**FOUR QUALITIES OF A SOUND MIND**

**(1) Being self-controlled.**

**(2) Being discerning.** It distinguishes wisely between alternatives. It discerns between reality and fantasy, good and evil, effective and ineffective.

**(3) Being focused.** Like a finely tuned receiver, it can minimize distortion and resist competing sound waves.

**(4) Being orderly.** It is a process-oriented mind, operating with cause/effect logic. It's concerned with getting you from A to B—goal to realisation—by a series of orderly steps.





### **Slave Mindskin - Prodigal**

Luke 15:19 (NIV) *'I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired men.'*

### **Goat Mindskin – Elder brother**

Luke 15:29 (NLT) *'All these years I've slaved for you and never once refused to do a single thing you told me to. And in all that time you never gave me even one young goat for a feast with my friends.'*

### **Fatted Calf Mindskin – The Father**

Luke 15:23 (NLT) *And kill the calf we have been fattening. We must celebrate with a feast*

### **When looking for a church**

A Minus Mindskin looks for any church to attend.  
A Plus Mindskin looks for the “best” church which meets one’s needs.  
A Surplus Mindskin looks for presence & purpose

### **The Cross of Jesus**

A Bag Mindskin says we are worthless  
A Basket Mindskin works to become worthy.  
A Barn Mindskin says, “we are valuable to God.”

### **When looking at God,**

Poverty Mindskin says, “sinner.”  
Performance Mindskin says, “servant.”  
Prosperous Mindskin says, “son.”

### Material Goods

A Bag Mindskin hoards,  
A Basket Mindskin lives to shop,  
A Barn Mindskin lives to give.

### When understanding time,

A Bag Mindskin lives in the past  
A Basket Mindskin lives in the present  
A Barn Mindskin lives for eternity, make history and  
blesses the next generation.

### Life

A minus life is only thinking survival  
A plus life thinks success  
A surplus life thinks significance

*“Don’t let the world around you  
squeeze you into its own mold, but let  
God **remold your minds** from within, so  
that you may prove in practice that the  
plan of God for you is good, meets all  
His demands and moves towards the  
goal of true maturity ...”*

*Romans 12:2  
(JB Ph)*



The secret of your success is determined by your daily routine.

Daily, we are either  
repairing or preparing!



### Hebrews 11:24-27 (NIV)

24 By faith Moses, when he had grown up, **refused** to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter.

25 He **chose** to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a short time.

26 He **regarded** disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward.

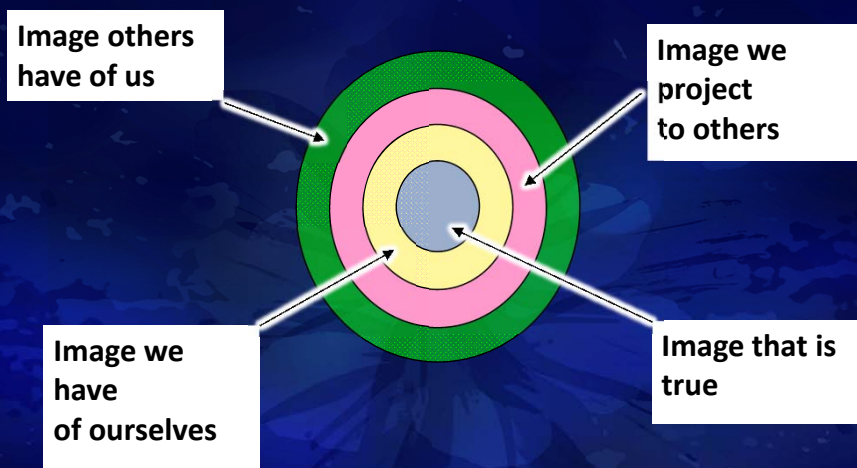
27 By faith **he left** Egypt, not fearing the king's anger; he persevered because he saw him who is invisible.



## DECIDE THIS-

### 1. Refuse to be defined by others

Hebrews 11:24 By faith Moses, when he had grown up, *refused* to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter.





**Refused** –means to reflect, to disown, no turning back.

A sign of maturity is that you stop living a lie. You stop being someone you are not.

**There are just two choices.**

I can pretend for the rest of my life that I really am Pharaoh's grandson. If he does that he's going to have fame, he's going to have fortune, he's going to have the luxurious lifestyle, a great career.

On the other hand, if he admits what I really am is the son of Jewish slaves, he is going to be poor his entire life, he's going to be disgraced, humiliated, thrown out of the palace and put into slave labor for the rest of his life

**People give us a identity based on their experience**

**1 Chronicles 4:9 (GW) –**

Jabez was more honorable than his brothers. His mother had named him Jabez [Painful], because she said that his birth was painful.

**People give us a identity  
based on our present behavior.**

**Genesis 25:21 (KJV)**

And Isaac intreated the LORD for his wife, because she was barren: and the LORD was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived.

**Genesis 25:26 (AMP)**

Afterward his brother came forth, and his hand grasped Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob

**(TLB)** So they called him Jacob (meaning "Grabber").

**We give ourselves a identity based on how we  
see ourselves in light of our failures and  
comparison to others.**

**Ruth 1:20-21 (AMP)**

And she said to them, Call me not Naomi [pleasant]; call me Mara [bitter], for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me. 21 I went out full, but the Lord has brought me home again empty. Why call me Naomi, since the Lord has testified against me, and the Almighty has afflicted me?



Who is the most spiritual mature person in the entire history of mankind? Jesus Christ. He was the clearest about his identity.

**John 13:3-5 (NLT)**

*Jesus knew that the Father had given him authority over everything and that he had come from God and would return to God. 4 So he got up from the table, took off his robe, wrapped a towel around his waist, 5 and poured water into a basin. Then he began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel he had around him.*

**DECIDE TO**

**2. Choose Environments that God can work in**

Hebrews 11:25 He **chose** to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a short time

Free to choose...  
BUT not free from the consequences

You are the product of your past  
but don't become the prisoner

You are as close to God  
as YOU choose to be!

You cant live off  
other's spiritual commitment!

You cant blame others  
for the direction of your life

People can *hurt...harm... scar*  
BUT no one can *ruin* your life

## **ROADMAP...**

**R**ehearse Your Dreams

**O**rders your investments

**A**ttitude in check

**D**elegate your weaknesses

**M**anage your relationships

**A**ddress Your Plans

**P**oint to Success and Celebrate



## DECIDE TO

### 3. Live by Values

Hebrews 11:26

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your **beliefs** determine your **behavior** and your behavior determines what you **become**.

your **convictions** in life determine your **conduct**.  
And your conduct determines **your character**



Values are the reason why we have the time and energy for certain things and not for others.

100% of the decisions we make, knowingly or unknowingly are always based on what we value

**1) Values are always based on a standard.**

**2) Values have a hierarchy**

**3. Value determine your sacrifices**

**1. God's purpose is more valuable than popularity (vs.24)**

As Pharaoh's grandson - heir to throne! A celebrity!

**2. People are more valuable than pleasure**

Moses traded a royal lifestyle – in order to help needy slaves!

**3. Peace of mind is more valuable than possessions. (vs.26)**

You cant BUY peace of mind  
It comes from *doing God's will!*



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### 4. Live by Faith

#### Hebrews 11:24-27 (NIV)

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James tells us *"You must believe and not doubt because a double minded man is unstable in all that he does."*

Faith is a verb -- it's active and not passive. It's something you do. Decision making is a faith building activity. You use your muscles of faith.

**a. Abraham left Ur looking for a city whose founder and builder was God**

**b. Peter left the boat to walk on water**



## Faith Builders

1. Overcoming Man's intimidation
2. Perseverance
3. *Heb 6:12 "by faith and perseverance..."*



**GOODBYE**  
WE ARE GLAD YOU CAME





