

Small Group Questions: How to Make Decisions You Won't Regret

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Read

Proverbs 3:5–6; 14:12; 17:22; 24:16; 27:12; and Jeremiah 17:9

Reflect

Proverbs is full of wisdom. But how do we put what we learn into practice? We make approximately 35,000 decisions a day. Some are big and some are small. Often, we don't know which is which—a seemingly small decision may end up being one with far-reaching impact in our lives. How do you tend to make important decisions?

Pastor Josh Surratt offers us three ways to make good decisions.

1. **Silence the inner salesman.**
 - a. Consider some of your decisions. How does the world's ways of thinking influence you more than God?
 - b. How are you still leaning on your own understanding? How do you remedy this?
2. **Pay attention to the warning signs.**
 - a. Help me see the danger before it gets here.
 - i. Describe a seemingly small decision that ended up being a big one.
 - ii. What habits have you developed that might lead in the wrong direction?
 - b. Give me the wisdom to know what to do.
 - i. What attitudes or coping mechanisms need to change?
 - ii. Who might you need to turn to, or put distance between?
 - c. Give me the courage to do it.
 - i. What conversation do you need to have? What discipline to implement? Or what do you need to stop or start?
 - ii. When have you known the right thing to do, but not done it? Or if you did follow through, what happened?
3. **Keep getting up.**
 - a. What have you learned from your failures?
 - b. How might you be letting yourself stay in the shame and guilt of some failure?
 - c. What do you need to surrender to Jesus?

Respond: Where is God leading you? What are you going to do about it? How can your small group support you?