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Title: Discovering God's Best

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“And he said, A certain man had two sons: 12 And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living.” (Luke 15:11-12)

Introduction: _____

QUOTE: “God does not hide His best for you. He has given you clear direction on how to experience the fulfillment only He can give.”

Three choices to make in pursuit of God's best:

1. The Righteous Choose _____

A. God's Best Is Worth Initial _____.

“And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. 20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,” (Ephesians 3:19-20)

B. God's Best Is Worth Possible _____.

QUOTE: “God's delays are not always God's denials.”

QUOTE: “When God says no to our plans we must listen because His delays or denials are always a statement of His unconditional love.”

“I had fainted, unless I had believed To see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. 14 Wait on the Lord: Be of good courage,

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*and he shall strengthen thine heart: Wait, I say, on the Lord.”
(Psalm 27:13-14)*

God’s _____ + God’s _____ = God’s _____

2. The Unrighteous Choose _____

A. Telling God _____ Brings Loss

“For that they hated knowledge, And did not choose the fear of the Lord: 30 They would none of my counsel: They despised all my reproof. 31 Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, And be filled with their own devices. 32 For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, And the prosperity of fools shall destroy them. 33 But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, And shall be quiet from fear of evil.” (Proverbs 1:29-33)

B. Telling God to _____ Brings Loss

QUOTE: “We are not necessarily doubting God will do the best for us; we are wondering how painful the best will turn out to be.”

—C. S. Lewis

“And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. 16 And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should forsake the Lord, to serve other gods;” (Joshua 24:15-16)

Telling God _____ + Telling God to _____ =
Experiencing _____

3. The Self-Righteous Choose _____

QUOTE: “The greatest lie of self-righteous living is that if you look good you are good.”

“And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and intreated him.” (Luke 15:28)

QUOTE: “Inward sin and outward sin are the same in God’s eyes.”

A. Stay _____

“And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him. 17 And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father’s have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!” (Luke 15:16–17)

1. Stay Hungry for the Word of God

“My foot hath held his steps, His way have I kept, and not declined. 12 Neither have I gone back from the commandment of his lips; I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my necessary food. 13 But he is in one mind, and who can turn him? And what his soul desireth, even that he doeth. 14 For he performeth the thing that is appointed for me: And many such things are with him.” (Job 23:11–14)

2. Stay Hungry for the Power of God

“That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;” (Philippians 3:10)

3. Stay Hungry for the Favor of God

“I intreated thy favour with my whole heart:” (Psalm 119:58)

QUOTE: “Pride is the greatest tool used to blind us to what binds us.”

B. Stay _____

1. Stay Humble in your Comparisons

“And he answering said to his father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment: and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends:” (Luke 15:29)

2. Stay Humble in your Expectations

“But as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf.” (Luke 15:30)

3. Stay Humble in your Reconciliation

“And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine. 32 It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.” (Luke 15:31–32)

C. Stay _____

Staying Hungry + Staying Humble = Staying _____

Equation for Discovering God's Best:

God's Love x God's Fulfillment = God's _____

Conclusion: _____

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