

# NEWSLETTER TITLE

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## I CHOOSE...

### **I Choose Love...**

No occasion justifies hatred; no injustice warrants bitterness. I choose love. Today I will love God and what God loves.

### **I Choose Joy...**

I will invite my God to be the God of circumstance. I will refuse the temptation to be cynical. I will refuse to see people as anything less than human beings, created by God. I will refuse to see any problem as anything less than an opportunity to see God.

### **I Choose Peace...**

I will live forgiven. I will forgive so I may live.

### **I Choose Patience...**

I will overlook the inconveniences of the world. Instead of cursing the one who takes my place, I'll invite him to do so, Rather complain that the wait

is to long, I will thank God for a moment to pray. Instead of clenching my fist at new assignments, I will face them with joy and courage.

### **I Choose Kindness...**

I will be kind to the poor, for they are alone. Kind to the rich, for they are afraid. And kind to the unkind, for that is how God has treated me.

### **I Choose Goodness...**

I will go without a dollar before I take a dishonest one. I will be overlooked before I will boast. I will confess before I accuse. I choose goodness.

### **I Choose Faithfulness...**

Today I will keep my promises. My debtors will not regret their trust. My friends will not question my word. And my family will not question my love.

### **I Choose Gentleness...**

Nothing is won by force. I choose to be gentle. If I raise my voice may it only be in praise. If I clench my fist, may it only be in prayer. If I make a demand, may it be only of myself.

### **I Choose Self-Control...**

I refuse to let what will rot, rule the eternal. I choose self-control. I will be drunk only by joy. I will be impassioned only by my faith. I will be influenced only by God. I will be taught only by Christ. I choose self-control.

Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control. To these I commit my day. If I succeed, I will give thanks. If I fail, I will seek His grace. And then when this day is done I will place my head on my pillow and rest.”

— [Max Lucado](#)

## THOUGHTS TO PONDER:

- *Satan does not care how many people read about prayer if only he can keep them from praying.*  
~~Paul Billheimer
- *Talking to men for God is a great thing, but talking to God for men is greater still.*  
~~E. M. Bounds
- *The prayer power has never been tried to its full capacity. If we want to see mighty wonders of divine power and grace wrought in the place of weakness, failure and disappointment, let us answer God's standing challenge, "Call unto Me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not!"*  
~~J. Hudson Taylor

## UPDATES

- ◆ Beginning in July, the Soup Kitchen will be serving on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. This was a hard decision to make. One factor is the continual lack of donations
- ◆ from the community as well as losing some of our kitchen help.
- ◆ There will be no prayer meeting during the month of July.
- ◆ There will be no Ladies Study Group during the month of July.
- ◆ Pastor Galvez will be gone to Gladstone Campmeeting from July 12-22, 2014.
- ◆ No Church Board Meeting in July.

