

**“Deciding Our Way Forward”**  
Better Decisions, Fewer Regrets, Part 1  
September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**CATCH UP TIME** - take a few minutes to talk about your summer, special events, etc. Were you able to spend some time thinking about last week’s sermon? What questions were raised in your mind?

**REMINDER:** we always include more questions than most groups will be able to cover. Don’t think you have to cover them all. Nor do you have to go in order - if you see a question or questions of particular interest to your group - go for it!

**QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

1. Every decision we make becomes a permanent part of our stories. If your story were a movie for instance, what type of movie would it be?
2. Can you think of a decision that led to regret that could have been avoided if you had either asked more questions or seriously considered questions someone else asked you? On the other hand can you think of a decision that turned out really well because you paused and asked questions of yourself or others? Share about that.
3. What makes the salesperson in your head so convincing? Why do you know better but don’t decide better?
4. Read Proverbs 27:12. Have you ever “seen trouble coming” but kept moving in that direction anyway? Alternatively, have you “seen trouble coming” and taken refuge? What made the difference?
5. When have you based a decision solely on your immediate happiness or gratification? Describe the decision – and the result.
6. What is one decision you have made that you think will affect future generations?
7. Do you agree that there’s not a correlation between what you know and what you do? Why or why not?
8. When have you sold yourself on a really bad idea? What was your logic for proceeding with it at the time – and what was the outcome?
9. Do you agree that “Your decisions determine the direction and quality of your life?” Why or why not?
10. How would explain and teach Proverbs 27:12 to young children? Teenagers?