

Learning to Hear God Speak:

4 Questions for Making Godly Decisions

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Psalms 119:10-12

10 I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. 11 I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. 12 Praise be to you, O Lord; teach me your decrees.

To make a Godly decision, ask yourself...

1. WILL THE ACTION BE HELPFUL?

1 Corinthians 6:12

12 Everything is permissible for me-but not everything is beneficial. Everything is permissible for me-but I will not be mastered by anything.

- **Will it make me a better person?**
“not everything is beneficial”
- **Does it tend to control me, or do I control it?**
“I will not be mastered by anything”.

To make a Godly decision, ask yourself...

2. DOES THE ACTION BOTHER YOUR CONSCIENCE?

1 Peter 2:16

16 Live as free men, but do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil; live as servants of God.

Genesis 3:9

9 But the Lord God called to [Adam], "Where are you?"

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3. WILL THE ACTION HURT SOMEONE?

1 Corinthians 8:9

9 Be careful, however, that the exercise of your freedom does not become a stumbling block to the weak.

To make a Godly decision, ask yourself...

4. IS IT A LOVING ACTION?

Galatians 5:13

13 You ... were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love.

1 John 4:19

19 We love because he first loved us.

1 John 3:16

16 This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.