

A person's legs and feet are visible, walking on a gravel path. The person is wearing dark shorts and white socks. The path is made of small, light-colored stones. A semi-transparent white rectangular box is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the text.

Two Steps Forward and Three Steps Backward

Hebrews 5:11-14



1) Admit that what you are doing or have done is not working.

Proverbs 1:10-19


Jeremiah 29:1; “Now these are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem to the remainder of the elders who were carried away captive, to the priests, the prophets, and all the people whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon.”

11; “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.”

A close-up, slightly blurred photograph of a person's hand holding a small white cup, pouring a liquid into a large white bowl. The scene is set on a sandy beach with the ocean and waves visible in the background. The image has a soft, ethereal quality with a light blue and white color palette.

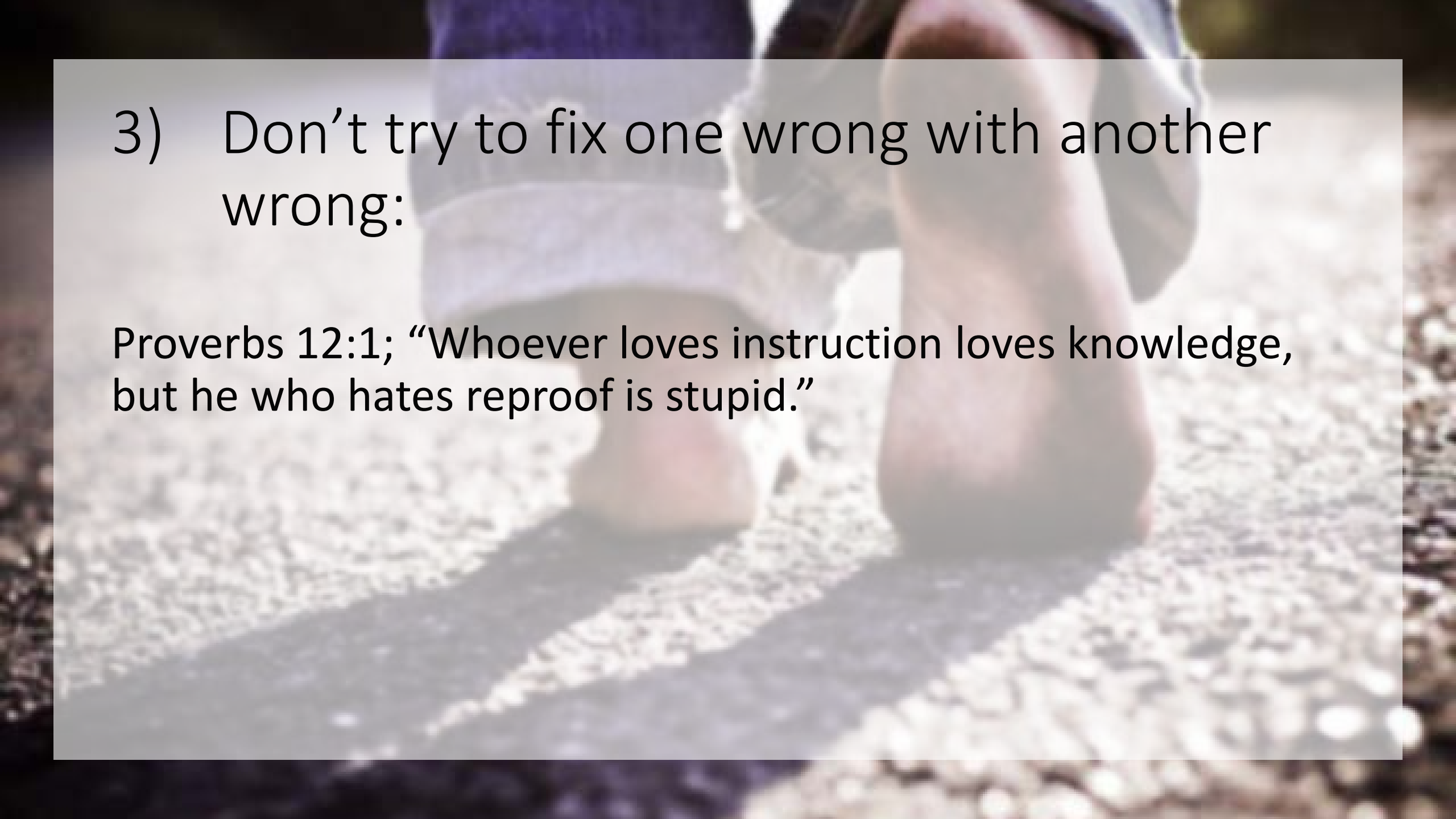
How?

Proverbs 3:5-8; “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all you ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and depart from evil. It will be health to your flesh and strength to your bones.”

A background image showing a person's legs and feet walking on a path. The person is wearing a purple top and light-colored shorts. The path is made of light-colored gravel or small stones. A semi-transparent grey rectangular box is overlaid on the image, containing the text.

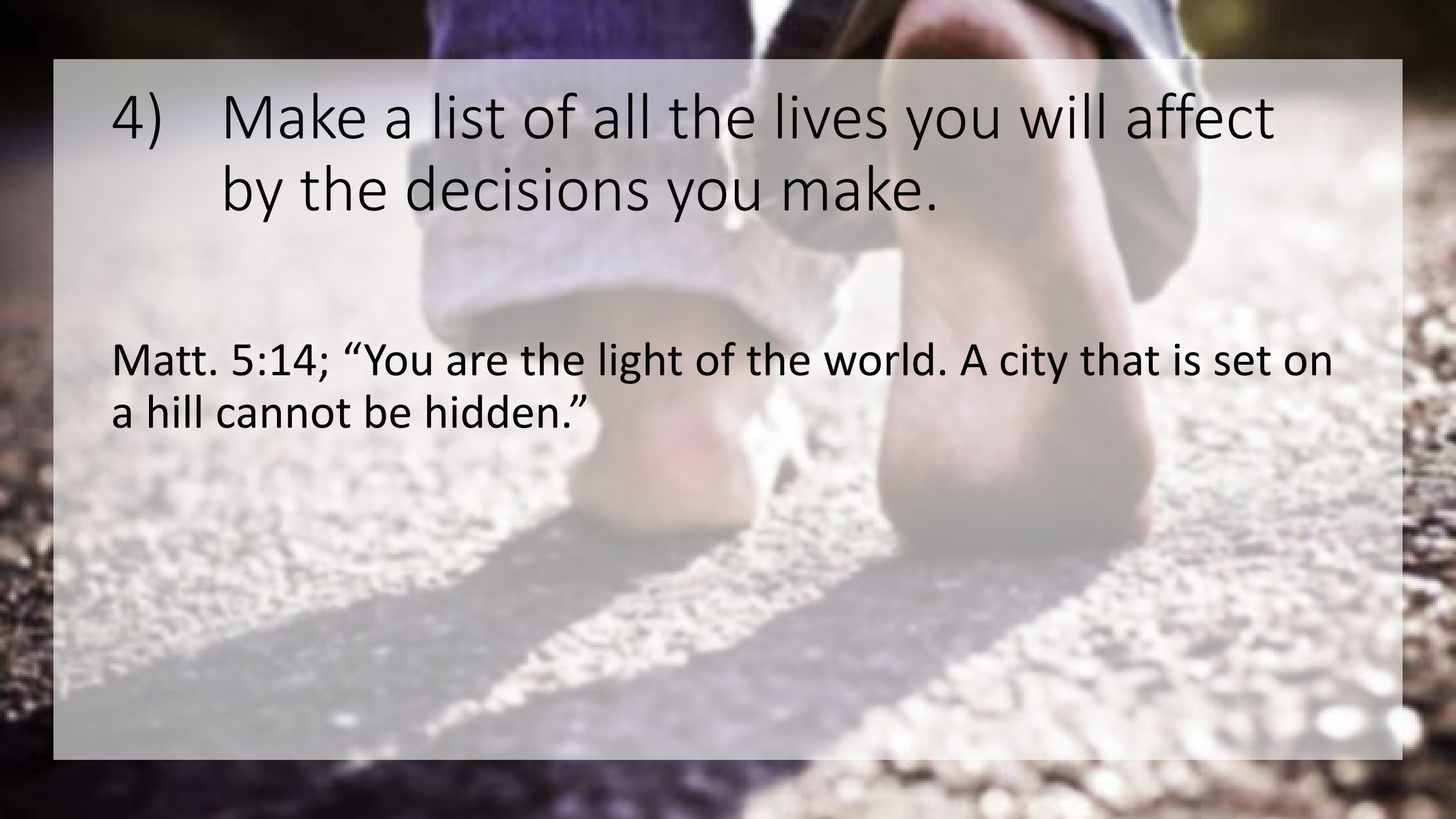
2) Don't keep doing the same things expecting different results.

Isaiah 50:11; "Look, all you who kindle a fire, who encircle yourselves with sparks: Walk in the light of your fire and in the sparks you have kindled, this you shall have from My hand; you shall lie down in torment."



3) Don't try to fix one wrong with another wrong:

Proverbs 12:1; “Whoever loves instruction loves knowledge, but he who hates reproof is stupid.”

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4) Make a list of all the lives you will affect by the decisions you make.

Matt. 5:14; “You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden.”



5) Ask yourself “is what I am about to do pleasing to the Lord?”.

Ps. 4:5: “Do what is right as a sacrifice to the Lord and trust the Lord.”

YOU NEVER GO WRONG DOING WHAT IS RIGHT!!!!



6) Will this decision bring glory to His name and build up my relationship with Christ?

2 Cor. 6:14-18; “Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God and they shall be My people. Therefore come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you. I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.”



REMEMBER:

John 10:10; “The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.”

7) When you are not sure, wait.

Ps. 27:14; “Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say on the Lord.”

Ps. 62:1-2; “Truly my soul silently waits for God; from Him comes my salvation. He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be greatly moved.”

5-7; “My soul waits silently for God alone, for my expectation is from Him. He only is my rock, and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be moved. In God is my salvation and my glory; the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God.”

A background image showing a person's legs and feet walking on a path. The person is wearing light-colored pants and white sneakers. The path is made of gravel or small stones. A semi-transparent grey box is overlaid on the image, containing text and a bulleted list.

The Psalmist states when I wait on the Lord;

- He gives me clear direction for my life
- I develop a deeper level of trust
- Waiting keeps me in line with His timing
- Waiting allows God to reveal my true motives and desires