

“WHICH RIGHT IS RIGHT?”
Series: Prayer & Action

Remember a time when you had to make a decision between two good decisions that seemed equally right. Describe the experience and how you made the decision. What was the outcome?

Have you ever served on a mission somewhere away from home over several days? How did you make the decision to go? What was different about this type of trip? What did you learn from the people you went to serve? How did you feel about whether or not what you were doing was God’s will?

Read James 4:1-3. What does this Scripture say about our motives in our decisions? What does it say about why we do not receive what we pray for?

Read James 4:7-10. What instruction does James give to prepare our hearts to seek God’s will and direction?

Read James 4:13-17. What is this passage saying? Why does this simple statement seem to make a difference – “If it is the Lord’s will...?” What is at the heart of this saying, based on earlier passages? How does verse 17 fit into the earlier part of the passage?

Read James 1:5-8. Once we have asked for, received the Lord’s wisdom and made a decision, how are we to respond?

What is our response if we have sought the Lord’s will, humbly made a decision believing we have received the Lord’s guidance and yet the circumstances seem to turn out poorly? Does this mean you made the wrong choice? What might it mean?