

Choosing The Right God

“Little children, keep yourselves from idols.” 1 John 5:21, ESV

Life involves many _____, but one is more _____ than all.

Choices Good And Bad In Old Testament Times

A. Psalm 140 – David made the right choice:

1. 140:1-5 – David was facing _____; he needed _____.
2. 140:6,7 – He said to the _____, “You are my _____.”
3. 140:12,13 – The _____ will give _____ to Your name – but what was His name?
4. “LORD” translates _____ in the Hebrew text, the personal _____ of God. It is found more than _____ times in the OT.

B. The gods that others chose in OT times:

1. Joshua 24:14,15 – Would the people choose the _____ who brought them out of _____, or other “gods”?
2. 1 Samuel 7,3,4 – About _____ years later the people had gone back to false _____. They put them _____ to return to Yahweh.
3. This was a recurring cycle for Israel before the Babylonian _____. They continually made _____ choices.

Will We Choose The Right God?

A. “Chronological _____” says that “I would never make the same _____ people in the past did.” Really?

B. False gods that continue to lure people:

1. Matthew 6:24 – We can’t _____ two _____, yet many try to serve Christ as well as _____.
2. Colossians 3:5 - _____ (many translations have this as “_____”) is the same as _____.
3. Philippians 3:18,19 – Many have their _____ as their god. Keener says this means _____ indulgence.
4. 1 John 5:21 – We are warned to _____ ourselves from _____.
5. John 8:44 – Is my will to do the _____ of the _____?

C. Early immigrants to this country depended on _____ to lead them. Could they be _____? Yahweh can be trusted!

Matthew 7:13,14 – The _____ before us is a _____ gate that leads to _____, and a _____ one that leads to _____. The choice we make determines the _____.

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