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Introduction-Decisions and Trust Part 1

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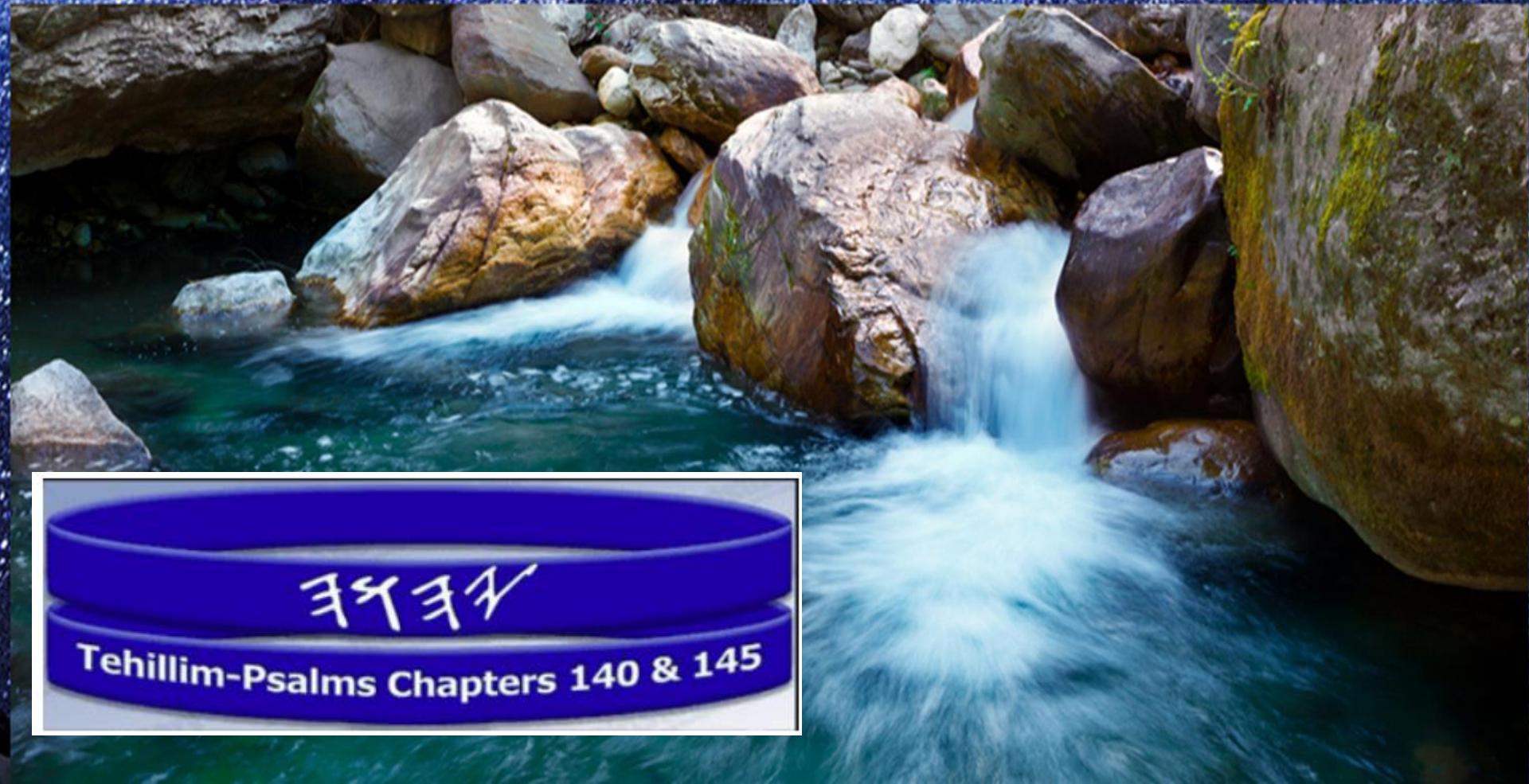
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THE COVENANT

GENESIS

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WHEN

WHO

We have been introduced to Yahuah in the first verse of Genesis Chapter 1:1 and it should leave us with an awe inspired breathless amazement of how majestic, powerful, merciful, detailed oriented and unfathomable Yahuah really is.

the home above of Yahuah

when you think about
how deep Yahuah is..



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What about the folks who don't acknowledge Yahuah or that there is intelligent design? Most Atheists just haven't been asked the right questions. They are usually more logic driven people and when given logical questions about the possibility of Intelligent design you can see the light bulb turn on. We are going to watch a video called "The Atheist Delusion". It's amazing to watch these discussions.

THE ATHEIST DELUSION



David, are you an atheist?



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ChWiZ3iXWwM>

The full documentary is on Youtube.

The first step to having a relationship with Yahuah is to acknowledge He exists and is the creator of everything. And for some this is where their journey starts.



WHEN

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Before we go on with the rest of our look at *Genesis*, we want to be sure we are looking at what He has dictated in the Torah, Prophets and from other Covenant Family members perspective in the Psalms and the Writings with a proper mindset of what it means to be a Covenant Family Member.

Without this perspective sometimes it gets confusing as to who is being spoken of and what is required of them. How is our journey out of the mindset of Babylon similar to what the Exodus folks encountered? Why does mankind have such a problem remembering the Torah instructions? What are all of the Torah instructions? Can we guard all the Torah instructions today or are there some that can not be observed?

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The Church with its dispensationalism has muddied the waters to the point of disregarding the Torah altogether and replaced Yahuah with His son Yahusha - recast a Greco Roman Jesus as God and Creator of all things. If you have been with us through our walk of Genesis 1, you will know beyond a shadow of a doubt that this is a false teaching.

"I bring all this up to make one simple point: The modern-day church places a ridiculous amount of emphasis on studying the Bible. It's obvious, from historical observation alone, that one can be a sold-out, fully devout, willing to die a martyr's death follower of Jesus and spend next to no time practicing the spiritual discipline of Bible study." --

Brian Jones



I'm the founding Pastor of Christ's Church of the Valley in Philadelphia, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, and the author of four books.



WHY BELIEVE THE BIBLE

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Signs and wonders not
Scripture is pleasing to
Yahuah? Think again!

WHEN YOU'VE GOT ME?

"Appealing to post-Christian people on the basis of the authority of Scripture has essentially the same effect as a Muslim Imam appealing to you on the basis of the authority of the Quran. You may or may not already know what it says. But it doesn't matter. The Quran doesn't carry any weight with you. You don't view the Quran as authoritative. Close to half our population does not view the Bible as authoritative either." -- Andy Stanley

*"What is the faith of your children worth? Your grandchildren? Think about it. What is the faith of the next generation worth? **I say, everything.** I say it's worth any change necessary to ensure the version of faith the next generation leaves home with is the enduring version--**the faith of our first-century fathers.** The version that was harder than steel and tougher than nails. **The version rooted in an event, not a book.**" - Andy Stanley*

To begin our journey we have to know a little bit about who Yahuah is. He alone is the creator of all things. Not the Elohim or Yahusha. We have to start there first. If not our foundation is not solid. If you still have any questions or doubts about this then before you continue, you need to sort this out. This is the essence of *Genesis 1:1* and is our first "Statement of Trust" if you will.



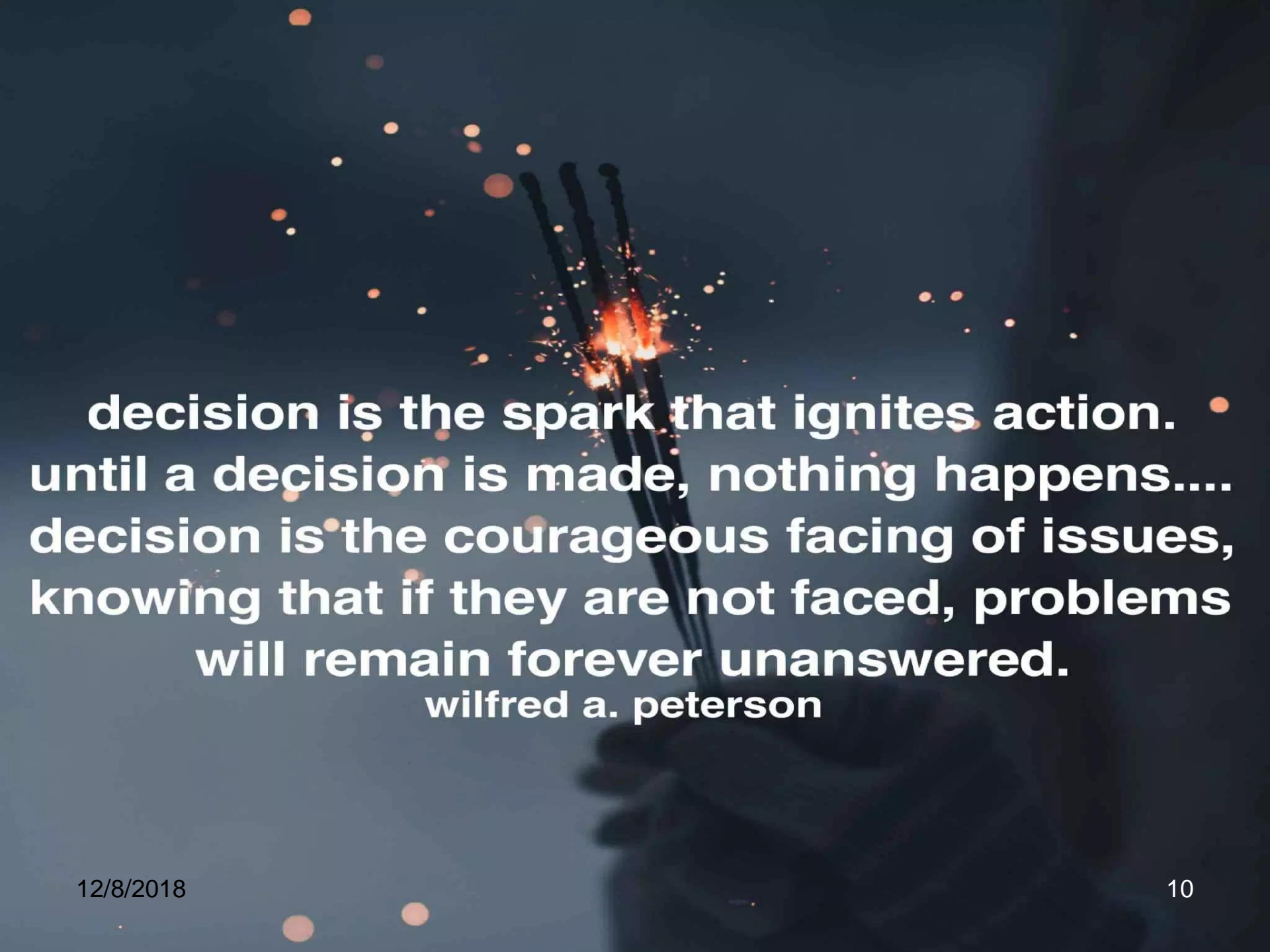


We will be gleaning a lot in this series from Steve Berkson of MTOI. He is an awesome teacher and the link will get you to a ton of teachings.

https://www.mtoi.org/learn_with_us/learn_with_us.shtml

The downside for us is, he uses Paul and Yahweh and has a different view of who Yahusha is. That is why we offer up his nuggets of information filtering these things out. We have learned a lot, and with discernment we highly recommend his teachings.



A hand holding a lit sparkler against a dark blue background with floating orange sparks. The sparkler is lit, and bright orange sparks are falling from it. The text is overlaid on the image.

**decision is the spark that ignites action.
until a decision is made, nothing happens....
decision is the courageous facing of issues,
knowing that if they are not faced, problems
will remain forever unanswered.
wilfred a. peterson**

This Covenant Family Journey we are all on started with a decision. But who's decision was first that sparked and ignited us into action? This may be shocking but it was not ours. **It was Yahuah's.**

[John 6:44](#)

No man can come to me, **except the Father which has sent me draw him:** and I will raise him up at the last day.

This should be sobering to everyone of us, don't you agree?

Cross References

[Jeremiah 31:3](#)

Yahuah appeared to him from afar: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; **therefore I have drawn you with loving devotion.**

[Hosea 11:4](#)

I led with cords of kindness, with ropes of love; I lifted the yoke from their neck and bent down to feed them.

[John 6:39](#)

And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that I shall lose **none of those He has given Me**, but raise them up at the last day.

[John 6:40](#)

For it is My Father's will that everyone who looks to the Son and trusts in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day."

[John 6:43](#)

"Stop grumbling among yourselves," Yahusha replied.

[John 6:65](#)

Then Yahusha said, "This is why I told you **that no one can come to me unless the Father has granted it to him.**"

[John 12:32](#)

And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself."

What is the
correct process
for making a
decision?



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FREE at mtoi.org/learn_with_us/Making Decisions...the Reason You Exist

We have determined that Yahuah has given everything a function in Genesis 1:1. We function based upon the decisions we make everyday. Scripture is filled with stories with people making good and bad decisions and are allowed to see the outcome depending on the path they chose. A part of Yahuah's Plan and the reason we exist comes down to the decisions we make everyday!





Who (or what) should influence
your decisions?



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The most important and profound decisions we make are about Yahuah.

What we decide to do in this life determines whether or not we are willing to fulfill Yahuah's purpose or function for us or are we going after our own purpose? If it is our own then we have up to 120 years perhaps to live that out. If it is Yahuah's then we have eternity. Seems fair as He did not have to create us at all.



Yahuah is watching our decision process for a couple of reasons that He spells out in Deuteronomy 8. To see what we will choose. To follow His instructions or not. Are we discerning enough to know He has our best interests at heart? If we don't then *HE* has decisions to make. If we are His adopted children, when we get off the path how is He going to humble us to see if we repent and get back on. This is Him deciding if we have the kind of heart He wants to spend eternity with.



Deu 8:1 All the instructions which I charge you this day shall you observe to do, that you may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which Yahuah swore to your fathers.

Deu 8:2 And you shall remember all the way which Yahuah your Eternal led you these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, and to prove you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would guard His instructions, or no.



**sometimes it's the smallest
decisions that can change your
life forever.**
keri russell

Yahuah decided to choose us. We have to decide if we choose Him and walk it out per His instructions. Based upon **our** decision, Yahuah chooses our ultimate destiny.



One does not simply miss a call from Yahuah over and over and over again

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and live to tell the tale



If someone calls you and you refuse to return the call- you are not going to have a relationship. How then can you expect to benefit from a relationship you never had nor had any interest in having?

WE CALL THOSE



"MISSED OPPORTUNITIES"

My apologies for waiting so long to return your call and even then not returning it.



som^{ee}cards

TREATING OUR ELDERS WITH DIGNITY

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Not only are decisions regarding our own life critical but what about those folks who have the opportunity to be evaluated by Yahuah based on the decisions they make for other people who either can no longer make their own choices or have never had the capacity from childhood to make reasoned choices?

**How Can I Ensure My Adult
Special Needs Daughter Can
Make the Right Decisions?**



Are we aware of the impact these decisions have on how Yahuah evaluates our compassion, wisdom, love, long suffering and commitment? These are all qualities that Yahuah has shown us- How close do we mirror Him in our walk? Isn't this our function/purpose?

Mat 25:33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. **34** Then shall the King say to them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: **35** For I was an hungry, and you gave me food: I was thirsty, and you gave me drink: I was a stranger, and you took me in: **36** Naked, and you clothed me: I was sick, and you visited me: I was in prison, and you came to me. **37** Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, master, when did we see you hungry, and fed *thee*? or thirsty, and gave *thee* drink? **38** When saw we you a stranger, and took *thee* in? or naked, and clothed *thee*? **39** Or when saw we you sick, or in prison, and came to you? **40** And the King shall answer and say to them, truly, I say to you, **Inasmuch as you have done it to one of the least of these my brethren, you have done it to me.**

Yahuah is very concerned with how we handle our decision making and we are tested on it. It reveals our core character.

Remember the study we did on trial by fire?

Compassion is to look beyond your own pain, to see the pain of others.

Yasmin Mogahed

On some level, every decision we make plays a part in ultimately deciding our final destination. We make choices regarding finances, health, relationships, education and spirituality. Making sound choices provides security in our autumn years. When decisions went south how quick did we recover and go in another direction? It's not about choosing perfect every time it's about what we do when we realise we made a bad choice.

me on my way to make bad decisions

Scary thing is, we don't give most of our decisions much thought unless they are what we consider huge or critical. But as they say the devil is in the details. It's the little decisions that can hurt us more than some of the big ones.



Temptation
usually comes
in through a
door that was
deliberately left
open

For example, how do we choose to handle temptations? How much thought goes into doing or not doing something? How fast are these decisions being made? What is the scale that is used to measure our thoughts? Have we thought long enough about the consequences? Have we taken the time to research out the best options? Do we rush head long and then try to cover it over with. "oops, my bad?"

A meme featuring Sheldon Cooper from 'The Big Bang Theory'. He is shown from the chest up, wearing a blue t-shirt, with a serious and somewhat stern expression. The background is a blurred indoor setting, likely his apartment.

DON'T VIOLATE

THE ROOMMATE AGREEMENT

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Let's look at it from a different perspective. What is the criteria you would use to decide to live with someone forever? It would probably be with the same moral code that Yahuah wants us to have. It is not difficult and it provides a pleasant and safe living environment for everyone.

Yahuah of above all people, has the same right to require upstanding and exceptional hearts to be apart of His family! It is also for the protection of the rest of His family and creations.

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Shatan says:

CONSEQUENCES DON'T
CARE ABOUT THE
DECISION MAKING
PROCESS THAT LED
YOU TO THEM

TOBYNAC #SPEAKLIFE

But Yahuah does!

WHO

Knowing - really understanding our own process of how we make decisions is one of the most important steps we had to start with first. Our process will either make our walk harder or easier Understanding the quality of the decisions we make according to Yahuah's code of wisdom is vitally important. We are much more fortunate than those without the Torah. We have a guide book with real life examples of how to conduct our daily lives.

But in order to base our decisions on the Torah there is the matter of trust.





The Torah teaches and reveals Yahuah's excellence in all these areas and in His functional plan for us.

TRUST

1Ch 29:17 I know also, my Eternal, **that you try the heart**, and have pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy your people, which are present here, to offer willingly to you.

Sound leadership!



1Ch 29:18 O Yahuah Eternal of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of Your people, and prepare their heart to You:

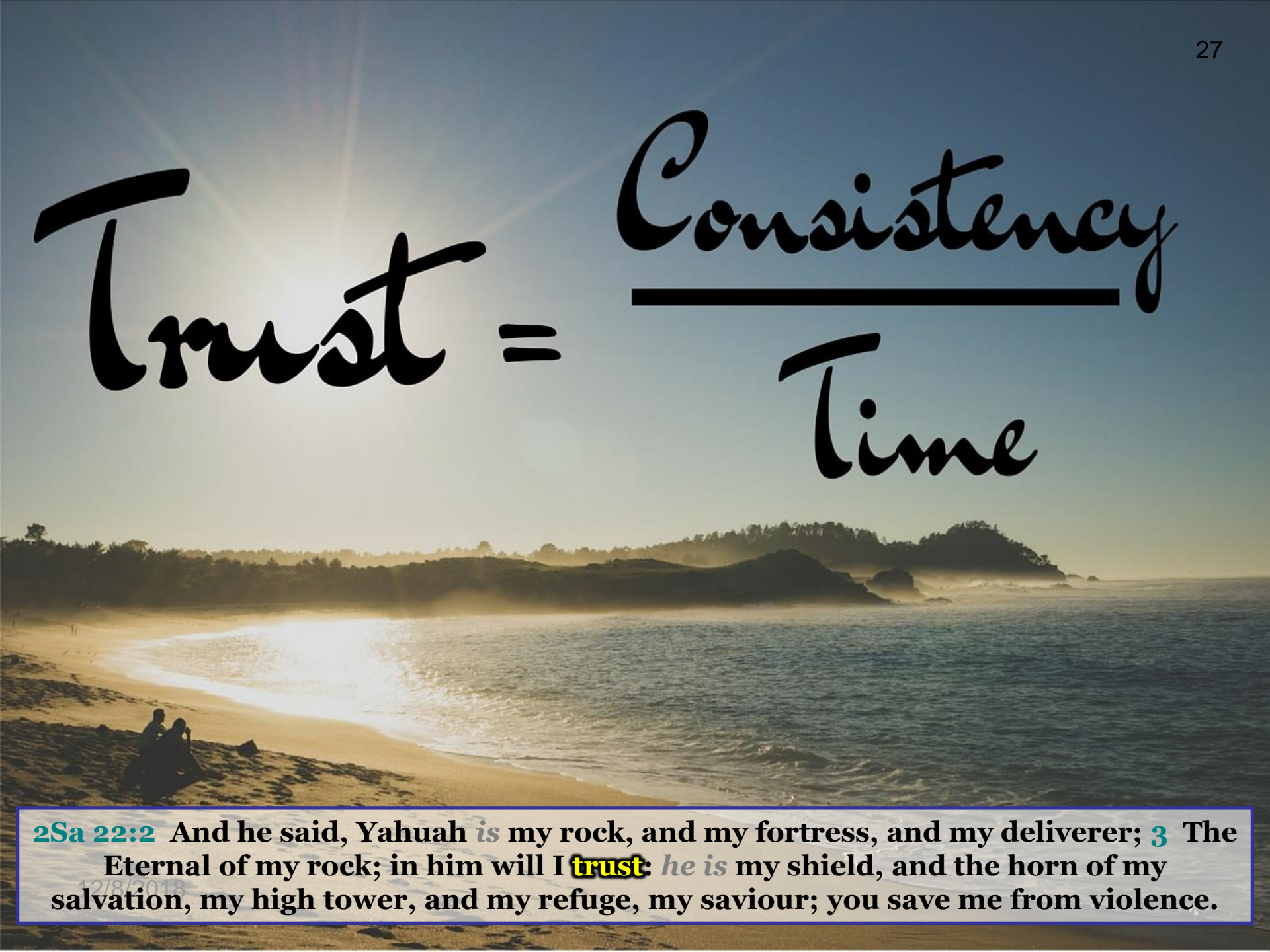
WE EXPERIENCE

JOY

WHEN WE
LEARN TO

TRUST

Trust is the glue of life. It's the most essential ingredient in effective communication. It's the foundational principle that holds all relationships.



Trust = $\frac{\text{Consistency}}{\text{Time}}$

2Sa 22:2 And he said, Yahuah *is* my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; **3** The Eternal of my rock; in him will I **trust**: *he is* my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour; you save me from violence.

Cost of Distrust

Not reading the word

~ Major breakdown in communications

Not giving it to Yah

~ Tension & uncertainty

Not seeking Torah

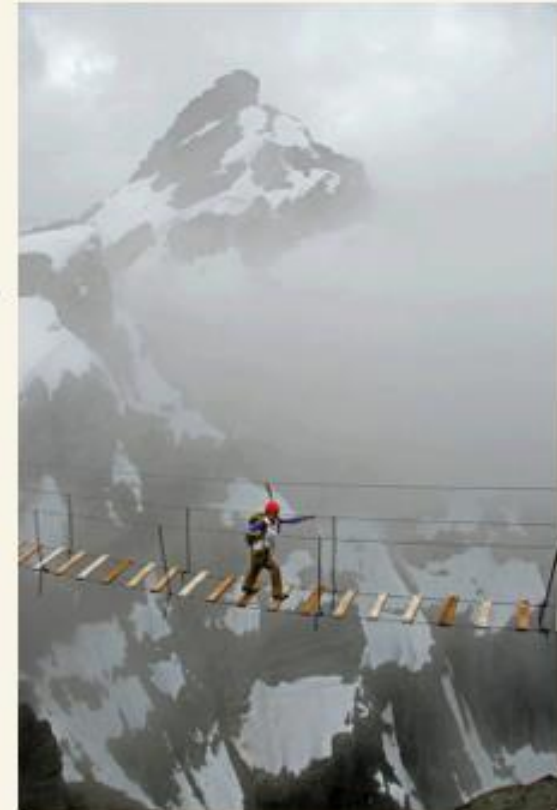
~ Disruptive leadership power dynamics

we are encouraged to ask

~ Not safe to disagree

questions- but we must be respectful

~ Suspicious & guarded




If we are not honest with Yahuah we will never have the right relationship He is seeking. We should be humble and open.

Trust
is a tricky thing.



It means ignoring all doubt



A cartoon illustration of a man in a white shirt and dark pants walking across a green lawn. To his left is a wooden park bench, and to his right is a large tree with a hollowed-out trunk. A speech bubble above the man contains the text. The background is a gradient of green and yellow, suggesting a bright day. The man has a surprised or thoughtful expression.

and placing yourself
in the hands of another.

Trust is the foundation of love.



Trust means making
yourself vulnerable.




exposing your tender underbelly,



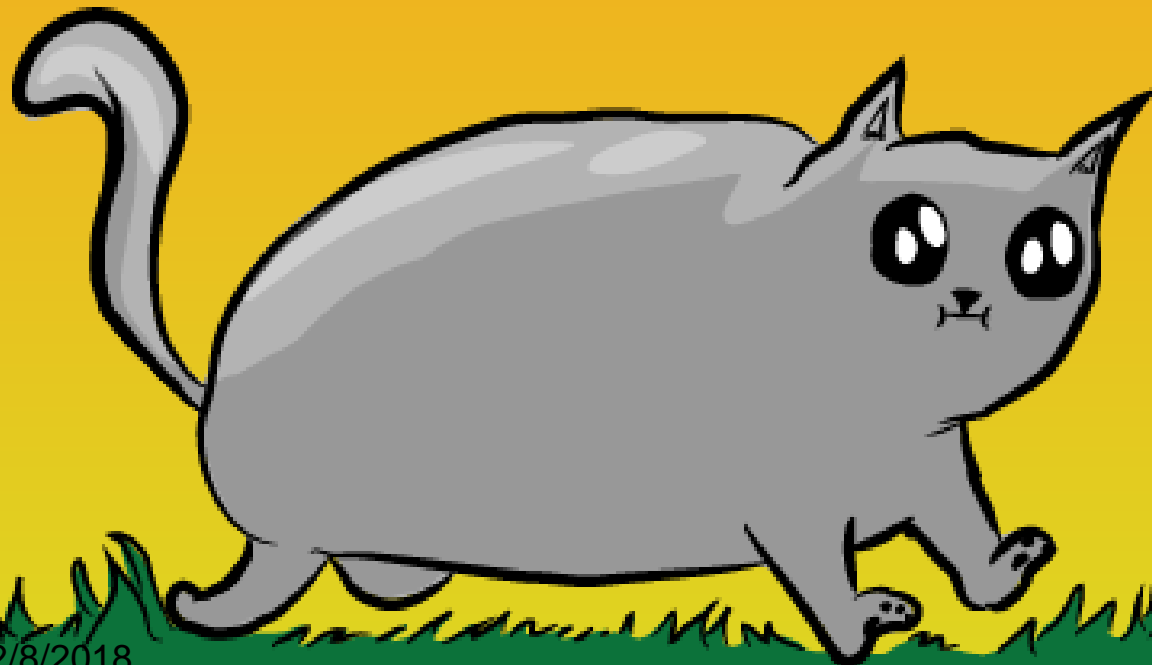
and letting go.





It means handing over what
is most precious to you

and saying
"Here, this is yours now."



It's an emotional anchor.





**For our heart does
rejoice in Him,
For we have put
our trust in His
set-apart Name.**

**Tehillim
(Ps) 33:21**

**Yahuah
יהוה**

Yahuah

Is the reason why
even in pain, I smile;
in confusion, I understand;
In betrayal, I trust;
and in fear, I continue to fight.

Yahuah still speaks.
Yahuah still heals.
Yahuah still comforts.
Yahuah still provides.
Yahuah still creates.
Yahuah still restores.
Yahuah still redeems.
Yahuah still manifests.
Yahuah is I Am.

Not "I Was"

researchyahuah

The only way we can be sure we are truly trusting Yahuah and His wisdom, is to put it to the test in our dark hours. If we go to Him when we are less stressed then we can let go in the dark and watch Him perform the miracle of being our Heavenly Father - watching out for His child, whom He loves very much and Daud has told us will protect us.

2Sa 22:31 *As for Enteral, His way is perfect; the word of Yahuah is tried: He is a buckler to all them that trust in Him. 32 For who is Eternal, besides Yahuah? and who is a rock, besides our Eternal? 33 Eternal is my strength and power: and He makes my way perfect.*

TRUST IN THE DARK,

**THE DECISIONS
YOU MAKE IN THE LIGHT**

Our Statement of Trust in Yahuah

- 1. He alone is the sole creator of the universe and beyond and all that is in it.**
- 2. We will base our decisions upon Yahuah's code of wisdom and will consult Him in all our decisions.**

Resources



https://www.mtoi.org/teachings/making_decisions_the_reason_you_exist.shtml

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