## Choices Pastor Dennis Rouse April 19-21, 2019 (Easter Weekend)

The Big Choice: "Will I live for myself or will I live for God?"

## LUKE 9:23-25 NKJV

Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will save it. For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and is himself destroyed or lost?"

"The power of life with God is only discovered when you give up trying to do life on your own."

# **3 Questions I Asked Myself:**

- 1. Am I really proud of the life I'm living?
- 2. Is the story of Jesus really true?
- 3. Is it really possible for a person to start their life over again?

## **JOHN 6:35-40 NKJV**

And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst. But I said to you that you have seen Me and yet do not believe. All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day. And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."

## 1 Peter 1:3-4 MSG

... Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we've been given a brand-new life and have everything to live for, including a future in heaven—and the future starts now!

#### 2 Corinthians 5:15 MSG

... He included everyone in his death so that everyone could also be included in his life, a resurrection life, a far better life than people ever lived on their own.