Choose Life

GENESIS 2:16-17

- 16. And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:
- 17. But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

GENESIS 3:24

24. So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

THIRSTING FOR LIFE [57-0613]

...right and wrong is set before you as a tree of life and death in the garden of Eden.

JEREMIAH 8:3-5

- 3. And <u>death shall be chosen rather than life</u> by all the residue of them that remain of this evil family, which remain in all the places whither I have driven them, saith the LORD of hosts.
- 4. Moreover thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; Shall they fall, and not arise? shall he turn away, and not return? 5. Why then is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a <u>perpetual backsliding</u>? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.

MINISTRY EXPLAINED [50-0711]

You're not destroyed or separated from God because you're a sinner. You're separated to God--from God because you refuse to walk with Him, to walk in His provided way.

You've got death and life before you. Just like Adam and Eve, every man's a free moral agent. And the Tree of Life and tree of death is before us all. You can take either one you wish to. It depends on what tree you eat off of is what you are. That's right. And God is... God created you a free moral agent to do whatever you want to do about it. He can't make you love Him, and He don't force you to love Him.

PROVERBS 18:21

21. <u>Death and life are in the power of the tongue</u>: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

PROVERBS 11:19

19. As righteousness tendeth to <u>life</u>: so he that pursueth evil pursueth it to his own <u>death</u>.

LEADERSHIP [65-1207]

<u>You choose Life or death</u>. Your choice will determine your Eternal destination, what you choose.

DEUTERONOMY 30:11-15

- 11. For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not hidden from thee, neither is it far off.
- 12. It is not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?
- 13. Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?
- 14. But the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.
- 15. See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;

DEUTERONOMY 30:19-20a

19. I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore <u>choose life</u>, that both thou and thy seed may live:

20a. That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for <u>he is thy life</u>, and the length of thy days:

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GOD'S ONLY PROVIDED PLACE OF WORSHIP [65-1128M]

Now, the word Deuteronomy, the word itself means "two laws," the word Deuteronomy. And God has two laws. The two laws: one of them is disobedience to the Word, and die; and the other one is obedience to the Word, and live. That's the two laws, and Deuteronomy means those two laws. They have both been absolutely displayed to us in the Scripture. One of them is death, the other one is Life; Life and death. God deals only in Life, Satan only in death. And these was displayed to the world publicly, openly before every eye, and there's no excuse for it. One of them was, displayed on Mount Sinai when the law was given, which condemned the whole human race to death; the other one was give on Mount Calvary, that brought the whole human race to Life, when the penalty was paid in Jesus Christ. The two laws of Deuteronomy was fulfilled in these two, great things.

I want you to notice again, there was also two covenants give. One covenant was given to Adam, which was on conditions, like law: "If you will not touch this, then you will live; but if you touch this, you will die." That was a law. Then there was another law given to Abraham, which was by grace, unconditionally: "I have saved you and your seed after you." Amen! That is a type of Calvary, not the type of--of--of Adam covenant, it's a Abrahamic covenant.

ROMANS 8:2

For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

ROMANS 8:6

6. For to be carnally minded is **death**; but to be spiritually minded is **life and peace**.

JOHN 5:24

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but <u>is passed from death unto life</u>.

JOHN 14:6

6. *Jesus saith unto him,* <u>I am the way, the truth, and the life</u>: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

LIFE IS THE HEALER [57-0611]

There never was a funeral preached in the Presence of Jesus Christ. He broke up every funeral procession He come in contact with. Why? <u>Life and death can't exist together</u>.

ZACCHAEUS [58-0517B]

When He comes into a group of people, Life comes, because **He is Life**.

POSSESSING ALL THINGS [62-0506]

"I'm a sinner, Brother Branham." You don't have to be. <u>You're a sinner because you</u> desire to be. You don't have to be. The debt's already paid.

"Brother Branham, I wish I had joy." <u>You can have it</u>. You're just letting Satan rob you from the privileges that Christ died for. I'm an heir to it. It's all mine. Everything He died for, belongs to me, belongs to you. We're His children, we're heirs of it, everything that He died for.

LIFE STORY [52-0720A] A hour ago, you'd have went to hell. Now you'd go to heaven if you died. **That's the difference between death and life**, by your faith in Jesus Christ.