



## 'Next Steps'

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~John 10:27-28

### Three Clarity Statements:

1. God's **faithfulness** is stronger than our **fickleness**.

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<sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of My hand. <sup>29</sup>My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father’s hand.”  
~John 10:27-29

“...if we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot disown Himself.”  
~2 Timothy 2:13

Truth to remember: We are **saved by grace** and we **live by grace**.

2. God's **assurance** is not grounds for a presumptuous spirit.

Truth to remember: A sign of one who belongs to God is a continual practice to **walk with God**.

“They went out from us, but they did not really belong to us. For if they had belonged to us, they would have remained with us; but their going showed that none of them belonged to us.” ~1 John 2:19

3. There are indicators of God's presence **in our lives**.

<sup>34</sup> “Then He called the crowd to Him along with His disciples and said: “Whoever wants to be My disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow Me. <sup>35</sup>For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for Me and for the Gospel will save it. <sup>36</sup>What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? <sup>37</sup>Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?”  
~Mark 8:34-37

Truth to remember: Jesus always brought people to a **place of commitment**.

“Decide” comes from two Latin Words:

“**From**” and “**To Cut**”

### Three things we need to cut ourselves from:

1. **Excuses**

“But they all began making excuses. One said, 'I have just bought field and must inspect it. Please excuse me.'”  
~Luke 14:

“People fail in direct proportion to their willingness to accept social acceptable excuses for failure.”  
~Steve Bro

“Those who are good at excuses are rarely good at anything else”  
~Ben Franl

2. **Double Mindedness**

“But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”  
~Matthew 6:

3. **Wasting my time**

“What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul  
~Matthew 16::

“Teach us to number each of our days so that we may grow in wisdom.”  
~Psalm 90: