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Your Lifestyle

WHAT DOES YOUR LIFESTYLE SAY ABOUT YOUR FAITH?

Hebrews 11 New Living Translation

[7] It was by faith that Noah built a large boat to save his family from the flood. He obeyed God, who warned him about things that had never happened before. By his faith Noah condemned the rest of the world, and he received the righteousness that comes by faith.

1. Am I Willing to Swim Against the Current?

Genesis 6 New Living Translation

5 The Lord observed the extent of human wickedness on the earth, and he saw that everything they thought or imagined was consistently and totally evil. 6 So the Lord was sorry He had ever made them and put them on the earth. It broke His heart. 7 And the Lord said, "I will wipe this human race I have created from the face of the earth. Yes, and I will destroy every living thing—…. I am sorry I ever made them."8 But Noah found favor with the Lord.9 This is the account of Noah and his family. Noah was a righteous man, the only blameless person living on earth at the time, and he walked in close fellowship with God.

Don't allow the culture around you to determine the convictions within you.

Romans 12:2 New Living Translation

2 Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

Being different is sometimes the clearest evidence that you belong to God.



"What you consume most is what you will eventually conform to. You cannot constantly consume violence and then expect to be conformed to a life of peace. You cannot consume sexual immorality and then expect to be conformed to a life of purity. You can't constantly consume what the Bible explicitly calls sin, lawlessness, and depravity and then somehow expect to be conformed to a life of holiness, righteousness, and godliness."


Only a dead goldfish
goes with the flow

Numbers 13 New Living Translation

[26] They reported to the whole community what they had seen and showed them the fruit they had taken from the land. [27] This was their report to Moses: “We entered the land you sent us to explore, and it is indeed a bountiful country—a land flowing with milk and honey. Here is the kind of fruit it produces. [28] But the people living there are powerful, and their towns are large and fortified. We even saw giants there…[30] But Caleb tried to quiet the people as they stood before Moses. “Let’s go at once to take the land,” he said. “We can certainly conquer it!”

“The majority measured the giants against their own strength; Caleb and Joshua measured the giants against God. The majority trembled, the two triumphed. The majority had great giants but a little God. Caleb and Joshua had a great God and little giants.”

-Victorious Chrisian Living by Alan Redpath

<u>Fact Check</u>:

Am I more concerned about fitting in with culture or being faithful to Christ?

Have I allowed popular opinion to influence my biblical convictions?

2. Will I Guard My Life Against Unholy Alliances?

James 4 New Living Translation

4 You adulterers! Don't you realize that friendship with the world makes you an enemy of God? I say it again: If you want to be a friend of the world, you make yourself an enemy of God…7 So humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world.

You cannot walk closely with God while continually making peace with sin.

What you tolerate today can become what controls you tomorrow.

Revelation 2 New Living Translation

12 "Write this letter to the angel of the church in Pergamum…14 "But I have a few complaints against you. You tolerate some among you whose teaching is like that of Balaam, who showed Balak how to trip up the people of Israel. He taught them to sin by eating food offered to idols and by committing sexual sin.

“Israel’s sin was not that they ceased to worship God. It was that they ceased to worship God alone.”

-Jen Wilkin

<u>Fact Check</u>:

What am I allowing in my life that competes with my relationship with God?

Have I developed an unhealthy attachment to something God wants me to surrender?

3. Am I Willing to Lead the Rescue for My Family and The World Around Me?

Hebrews 11:7a(NLT)"It was by faith that Noah built a large boat <u>to save his family</u> from the flood."

Noah understood that his faith needed to influence his family.

You cannot outsource the spiritual leadership of your family.

Faith that rescues your family should eventually reach beyond your family.

<u>Fact Check</u>:

Is my family closer to God because of the way I live?

Who in my circle needs to see the difference Jesus makes in my life?

THREE QUESTIONS TO FACT CHECK YOUR LIFESTYLE:

***Conviction**: Are you willing to swim against the current?*

***Compromise**: Will you guard your life against unholy alliances?*

***Commission**: Are you willing to risk your comfort to lead the rescue?*