

CHOICES

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"The general human failing is to want what is right and important, but at the same time not to commit to the kind of life that will produce the action we know to be right and the condition we want to enjoy...We intend what is right, but we avoid the life that would make it reality." - Dallas Willard

➤ **Wisdom traces the footprints of God.**

"If there were no God, there would be no atheists." - G.K. Chesterton

It's God who created us - origin.

It's God who wants us to get things done in this world - meaning.

It's God who sets up the fences - morality.

It's God who holds eternity in his hands - destiny.

➤ **Wisdom recognizes the everydayness of grace.**

mercy = not getting what you deserve

grace = getting what you don't deserve

"Do you believe that the God of Jesus loves you beyond worthiness and unworthiness, beyond fidelity and infidelity—that he loves you in the morning sun and in the evening rain—that he loves you when your intellect denies it, your emotions refuse it, your whole being rejects it. Do you believe that God loves without condition or reservation and loves you this moment as you are and not as you should be." - Brennan Manning

➤ **Wisdom flows from wholehearted devotion.**

"...instead of worrying about finding the right road, we out to be focused on the right river—the one that creates new life. You don't travel a river like you do a road. You travel in it, because the river is not passive like the road. It does all the work of carrying you to a new place, the right place..." - M. Craig Barnes