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“If you love someone, set them free. If they come back they’re yours; if they don’t they never were.”

Richard Bach, author of Jonathan
Livingston Seagull



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1/ The Importance of Choice

Adam, Eve, forbidden fruit.

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“So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of it’s fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate..

And the Lord God said to the woman, “What is this you have done? The woman said the serpent deceived me, and I ate.” Genesis 3: 6, 13



Cain was not Abel.

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**“So the Lord said to Cain, “Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen?
If you do well, will you not be accepted?
And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door.
And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it.”**

Genesis 4: 6,7



Noah knew better.

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“But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord.

This is the genealogy of Noah. Noah was a just man, perfect in generations, Noah walked with God.”

But I will establish a covenant with you; and you shall go into the ark – you, your sons, your wife, and your son’s wives with you.” **Genesis 6: 8, 9, 18**



Abram to Abraham

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“Now the Lord had said to Abram;

**“Get out of your country, from your family
and from your father’s house, to a land
that I will show you.**

**I will make you a great nation; I will bless you
And make your name great;**

And you shall be a blessing.”

Genesis 12: 1,2



God's choice

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**For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
Neither are your ways my ways,
Declares the LORD.**

**As the heavens are higher than the earth,
So are my ways higher than your ways
And my thoughts than your thoughts.**

Isaiah 55: 8

& 9



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2/ The Necessity of Patience



Patience is a virtue

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**“But you, o man of God, flee these things and pursue
Righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness”
1 Timothy 6:11**

**“My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various
trials,
Knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.
But let patience have it’s perfect work,
that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.”
James 1:2-4**



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- 3/ Cast of Unlikely Characters**



Kings, Rulers, High Priests..not likely

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“For who is greater, he who sits at the table, or he who serves?

Yet I am among you as the One who serves.

But you are those who have continued with Me in My trials.

And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed upon Me”

Luke 22: 27-29



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Promise to Abraham:

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Promise to Isaac

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**I will be with you and will bless you
For to you and your descendants
I will give all these lands...
I will make your descendants
as numerous as the stars.**

Genesis 26: 3 - 5



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Promise to Jacob:

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**I will give you and your
descendants**

The land on which you are lying.

Your descendants will be (as numerous)

As the dust of the earth.

Genesis 28: 13 - 14



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Will bring you today.
The LORD will fight for you
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Exodus 14: 13 & 14



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- 1/ Nile turned to Blood**
- 2/ Frogs**
- 3/ Gnats**
- 4/ Swarms of Flies**
- 5/ Diseased Livestock**
- 6/ Boils**
- 7/ Thunder and Hail**
- 8/ Locusts**
- 9/ Darkness**
- 10/ Death of the Firstborn**



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The 10th Plague...death of the firstborn

**From the firstborn son of Pharaoh
Who sits on the throne,
To the firstborn son of the slave girl....
There will be loud wailing
Throughout the land of Egypt.**

Exodus 11: 5 &

