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GRACE AND DECISION: A COMPLEMENTARY RELATIONSHIP

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In acting and living in alignment with God's Word and Will, do not replace grace with decision and neither should you replace decision with grace. They are complementary, not contradictory or substitutes.

Once you know God's will concerning a matter, you have the responsibility to decide that you will act or live in alignment with that revealed will of God. Then, the grace (divine enablement) that will bypass your human limitations will be released to carry your decision out. But grace won't do anything if you haven't decided to obey God's Word - Mark 16:15-20.

God wants you to be saved, you must decide to be saved (reflected in asking Jesus to come into your heart), then the grace to be saved will be released to ensure you become saved.

God wants you to forgive, you must decide to forgive (reflected in you not deliberately meditating on the offense), then the grace to forgive will be released to ensure you are able to forgive.

God wants you healthy, you must decide to be healthy (reflected in your choices and chosen lifestyle), then the grace to be healthy will be released to ensure you live healthy...

Decision means: a conclusion or resolution reached after consideration. A resolution, resolve (firm determination to do or not do something)...

You've got to do some considerations (meditations) and deliberations with yourself and decide in favour of God's Word. That's when the grace to carry out your decision can be released. Grace helps your resolve; it doesn't replace it. The grace to forgive is from God but the decision to forgive is yours.

Your decision must reflect in your choices, disciplines, lifestyle, words, relationships etc. Your life must be in clear and unmistakable alignment with your decisions (reached after consideration). That's when grace can be effective. You can't continue in sin or continue doing what is not in alignment with your decision and expect grace to abound. The Bible says "God forbid" - Romans 6:1-2.

For instance, how can you expect the grace to quit smoking to be effective in your life if

you (despite your decision to stop smoking) continue to hang around with friends who are still smoking or you still choose to keep some cigarettes in your house or car (instead of discarding them completely)? That would mean your decision and actions are misaligned.

Remember, grace will never replace your decisions in the same way your decisions will never do what only grace can do. They must always work together in your life for you to live the life God has ordained for you. You can voice your decisions to God in prayers, but don't think praying will replace your responsibility of making the decision. You just must DECIDE to obey God's Word. Your decision (to do what God's Word says) is what attracts and provides direction to grace. That's what gives it its job description in your life. **SELAH!!!**

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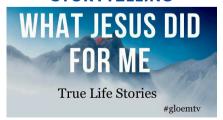
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