

## Sherry's Garden Stories

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"Choices"

*"I will make you my promised bride forever: I will be good and fair; I will show you my love and mercy."*

Hosea 2: 19

In this fast paced world we are constantly faced with choices. How do we know which choices are good and which choices are bad?

The world has taken upon itself to tell us which choices are good and which choices are bad. The world has made the decision for us.

The only problem with this is that the world's definition of good and bad are not the same as God's definition of good and bad. We are actually seeing Isaiah 5: 20 come into play.

Isaiah 5:20 – *"Woe to those who call evil good and good evil; and put darkness for light and light for darkness; who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter."*

In this world today we have total confusion. We have no regard for life. We have misunderstandings and we have a numbness towards God and his word.

God has been taken out of our schools, thus shootings and a disrespect reigns within their walls. The world is trying to take God out of earth's equation of existence.

So what do we do? What difference can we make?

We must first remember that God sees all of this and he still sits on his throne.

What is our part? We must trust God. We must trust not only that He does what is best but that He knows what is ahead.

This society is thirsty. Not thirsty for possessions or money and not thirsty for passion. This society is thirsting for a clean conscience and righteousness. We desire a fresh start, and a new beginning. Our hearts are dry. We need someone to help us get back on track. Someone to clean our minds and our hearts. Our spirits know what is right. This is why we are struggling. We should be getting back to the basics:

1. God created the world.
2. He sent his son to redeem us, to change us daily, to bring us to His truth.
3. To set us free from sin.
4. To have hearts of faith.
5. To be changed to Jesus' likeness.
6. To be witnesses of our Heavenly Father's love.
7. To hold this heavenly love and present it daily.

Just doing these simple truths will bring a healing to this world.

Accepting that there is God. Recognizing that there is sin. And knowing and accepting that God sent his son Jesus to give us life. Putting that Stamp "In God We Trust" back on our earth.

Our part could be as simple as loving our neighbor and praying for our country. Most important aspect is that we remember that He is in control.

### **The Flower**

You are the flower for the month. Let the Lord grow you and weed the thorns out of your heart. Let Him love you.