



# I Decided to Stay

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## Introduction:

- The decisions I make today will determine the stories I will tell tomorrow
- Sometimes the best decision I can make is to stay when it would be easier to go

*We must focus on Jesus, the source and goal of our faith.*  
**Hebrews 12:2** GW (Series verse)

## Should I stay or should I go?

### 1. Common decisions

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*Don't get tired of helping others. You will be rewarded when the time is right, if you don't give up.* **Galatians 6:9** CEV

### 2. Reasons to stay

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*I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*  
**Galatians 2:20** NIV

*God's power has given us everything we need to lead a godly life. All of this has come to us because we know the God who chose us. He chose us because of his own glory and goodness. He has also given us his very great and valuable promises. He did it so you could share in his nature. You can share in it because you've escaped from the evil in the world. This evil is caused by sinful desires. So you should try very hard to add goodness to your faith. To goodness, add knowledge. To knowledge, add the ability to control yourselves. To the ability to control yourselves, add the strength to keep going. To the strength to keep going, add godliness. To godliness, add kindness for one another. And to kindness for one another, add love.*

**2 Peter 1:3-7** NIRV

*My dear friends, stand firm and don't be shaken. Always keep busy working for the Lord. You know that everything you do for him is worthwhile.* **1 Corinthians 15:58** CEV

## Where does God want you to stay?

**Next Steps:**

Today, I decided to stay \_\_\_\_\_

I ask God to show me his will as I consider if I should stay or go

I commit to following God's will in my life

Memorize theme verse: Hebrews 12:2

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