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Scriptural References and Comment Notes

18-164-18 THE INESCAPABLE CHOICE (NIV)

- :00-4:00 a very short story and a fragment of a poem. Lessons on choices.
- 4:00 Matthew 7:13-14 "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. 14 But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.

Teaching: Two Roads; Two Ways; Two Gates; Two Destinations; Two Crowds.

- 6:20 Psalm 1:1-6 Reading and teaching.
- 9:00 Deuteronomy 30:11-16 An Old Testament illumination for the subject matter of Matthew 7:13-14. Teaching about choosing the wrong paths of life.
- 16:15 Romans 6:23 The wages of sin is death. Choosing the door, the road and the destination of life.
- 18:00 Matthew 7:13-14 Enter through the narrow gate. Reference Luke 13:24 "strive" (RSV). Teaching.
- 21:20 John 10:7-9 Therefore Jesus said again, "I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep. <u>8</u> All who ever came before me were thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. <u>9</u> I am the gate; whoever enters through me will

be saved. Teaching. Are there many ways to God? Teaching on the narrow way.

- 26:10 Jeremiah 23:16-17 The false prophets spoke visions of their own minds and not from the mouth of the Lord. False prophecy even today encourages people to do their own thing walk on the broad road. Teaching.
- 28:15 Matthew 7:13-14 "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. 14 But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it. Teaching what does this mean as to salvation in terms of the world?

Reference Luke 13:22-23 Then Jesus went through the towns and villages, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem. 23 Someone asked him, "Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?" Jesus answers: Luke 13:24 "Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to.

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- 29:50 Matthew 16:24 Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.
- 30:15 Luke 16:13 "No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money."
- 31:40 Matthew 5:20 For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

Teaching on costly discipleship. Jesus is out to supplant the sovereignty of your life with his own. He wants you under his control.

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"But he will answer, 'I don't know you or where you come from.'

Teaching: There comes a time when the door closes. Same thing happened with regard to Noah's ark.

Many people want to come in, but they want to bring all their stuff with them. Reference Matthew 19:24 Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

41:30 Luke 13:26-30 "Then you will say, 'We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.'

"But he will reply, 'I don't know you or where you come from. Away from me, all you evildoers!'

"There will be weeping there, and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but you yourselves thrown out. 29 People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. 30 Indeed there are those who are last who will be first, and first who will be last."

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Psa. 1:1 Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers.

- But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.
- He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither.
 Whatever he does prospers.
- Psa. 1:4 Not so the wicked!

 They are like chaff that the wind blows away.
- Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.
- Psa. 1:6 For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.
- Deut. 30:11 Now what I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you or beyond your reach. 12 It is not up in heaven, so that you have to ask, "Who will ascend into heaven to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?" 13 Nor is it beyond the sea, so that you have to ask, "Who will cross the sea to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?" 14 No, the word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so you may obey it.
- Deut. 30:15 See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction. 16 For I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commands, decrees and laws; then you will live and increase, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land you are entering to

possess.

Rom. 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Jer. 23:16 This is what the LORD Almighty says:

"Do not listen to what the prophets are prophesying to you; they fill you with false hopes.

They speak visions from their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD.

Jer. 23:17 They keep saying to those who despise me, 'The LORD says: You will have peace.'

And to all who follow the stubbornness of their hearts they say, 'No harm will come to you.'

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