



A devotional related to a favorite Bible verse or passage.*

A^{bout} – Dangerous Decisions

B^{est} Verse – Joshua 1:9 “...Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.” How does a child of God know what to do even if his/her decision leads to difficulty or danger? For children so loved by the Lord, I can think of at least ten reasons. Each one of them is based a precious promise of God’s Word. 1) When your paths lead straight through your situation.^{Pro3:5-6} 2) When the best and wisest counselors in your life agree with your direction.^{Jms1:5} 3) When it is a matter of faith, so you know it pleases your Lord.^{Heb11:6} 4) Because it’s your opportunity to live out your love for Jesus.^{Gal5:6} 5) Because you are committed to God’s call on your life so you know His eternal good will come of it.^{Rom8:28} 6) Because God is always in you, with you, near you.^{Isa41:10} 7) Because you can completely trust in the Lord’s grace and mercy.^{Psm145:8} 8) Because no matter what happens, your future is secure in God’s love.^{Lk15:31-32} 9) Because people who don’t know about God’s life and love will be drawn to Him.^{2Co2:14-16} And... 10) Because your decision affords you the opportunity to obey Jesus’ ultimate command to love others as He loves them!^{Jn13:34-35}

C^{ommitment} – Dear Lord, you hold all things together.^{Coll1:17}
 You’ve always been, always are, always will be my Salvation. I praise you throughout this life and the next.