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**Decision Time:
Only Two Paths**

Matthew 7:12-14



Jesus Calls to Decision:

Two Paths - Mt. 7:13-14

Two Trees - Mt. 7:15-20

Two Relationships - Mt. 7:21-23

Two Foundations - Mt. 7:24-27



Matthew 7:12

So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.



Matthew 7:13-14

Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.



Four Illustrations:

Two Paths: Narrow or Wide



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Two Trees: Good or Bad fruit



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Two Relationships: Known or Unknown

Two Foundations: Rock or Sand



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Matthew 7:22-23

On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'



John 10:9

I am the gate. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture.



John 14:6

Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”



Matthew 18:2-4

And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.



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 person to enter the kingdom of God.



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Zóé - life

Life in its fullest sense. Encompassing both the physical and the spiritual.



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Thlibó - hard

Make narrow by pressure. Persecute, compress, press hard. Suffer affliction.

When circumstances rub us the wrong way and make us feel confined, hemmed in, restricted to a “narrow” place.



Romans 8:18

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.



Colossians 3:1

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.



Colossians 3:3-4

For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.



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