



THE CONCEPT OF FREE WILL

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DEUTERONOMY 30:19-20 NKJV – (19) This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live **(20)** and that you may love the Lord your God, listen to His voice, and hold fast to Him. For the Lord is your life, and He will give you many years in the land He swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

What does “**Free Will**” mean in a biblical sense?” It means that God gives humans the opportunity to make choices that genuinely affect their destiny. Our choices are limited to what is in keeping with our nature. Therefore, free will does not mean that mankind can do anything he pleases.

For example, a man may choose to walk across a bridge or not to walk across it; what he may *not* choose is to fly over the bridge—his nature prevents him from flying. In a similar way, a man cannot choose to make himself righteous. Why? His (sin) nature prevents him from canceling his guilt (**Romans 3:23**). So, free will is limited by nature.

Deuteronomy 30 emphasizes free will by presenting the Israelites with a clear choice between life and death, blessings and curses, and encouraging them to choose life by loving and obeying God. Jesus Christ has cleared the path for all those from the past, present and future. A path that leads to eternal life. What will you choose, life or death?

SCRIPTURE READING: **PSALM 119:30**

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Let your choice be made on “The” truth and the truth only!