

Registering a Verdict

by John Henry Jowett

The sermon emphasizes the importance of making a definite decision in life, avoiding the peril of wavering, and making a vow unto the Lord.

Scripture: Joshua 24:22, 1 Kings 18:21, Proverbs 16:3, Matthew 6:24, James 1:8

Topics: "Faith Decision", "Spiritual Commitment"

Description

John Henry Jowett emphasizes the importance of making a definitive decision to serve the Lord and obey His voice, highlighting the danger of indecision and the need to avoid a life of constant wavering and uncertainty. He compares those who never decide to a jury that never reaches a verdict, stressing the significance of making a choice and not drifting aimlessly through life. Jowett encourages making a vow to the Lord, pulling together our thoughts, and decisively choosing to follow God at a specific moment in our lives.

Transcript

"_The Lord our God will we serve, and His voice will we obey._"

--JOSHUA xxiv. 22-28.

Here was a definite decision. Our peril is that we spend our life in wavering and we never decide. We are like a jury which is always hearing evidence and never gives a verdict. We do much thinking, but we never make up our minds. We let our eyes wander over many things, but we make no choice. Life has no crisis, no culmination.

Now people who never decide spend their days in hoping to do so. But this kind of life becomes a vagrancy and not a noble and illumined crusade. We drift through our days, we do not steer, and we never arrive at any rich and stately haven.

It is therefore vitally wise to "make a vow unto the Lord." It is good to pull our loose thinkings together and to "gird up the loins of the mind." Let a man, at some definite place, and at some definite moment, make the supreme choice of his life.

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