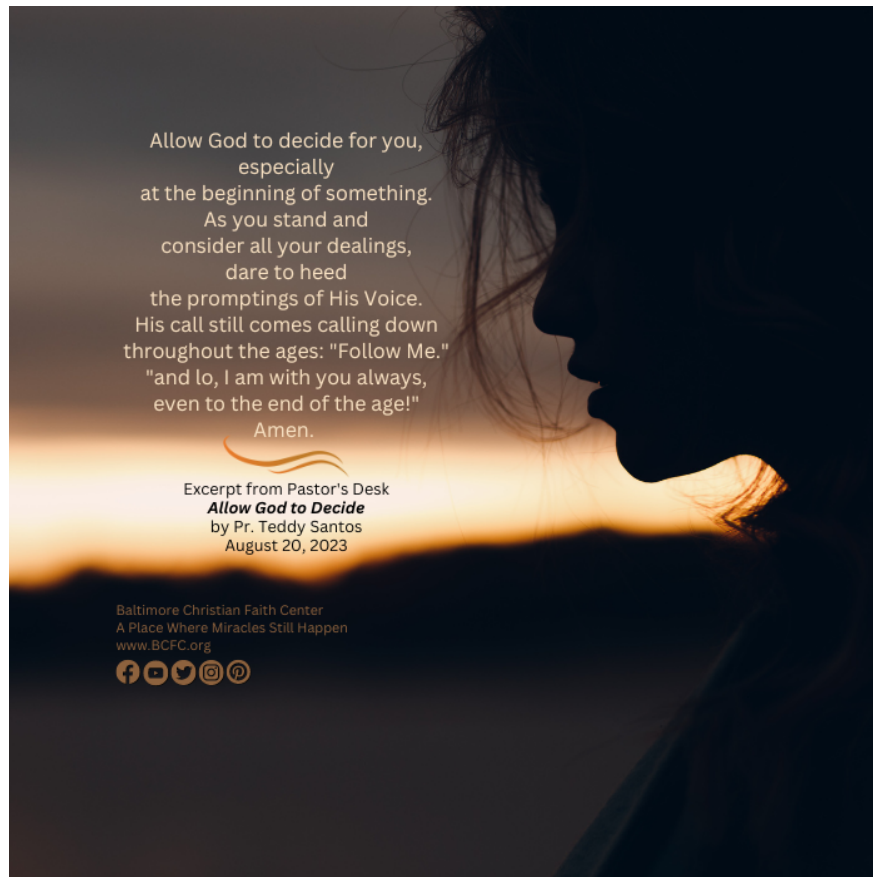


## Allow God to Decide Pastor's Desk – August 20, 2023



**Genesis 13:10-11** *“10 And Lot lifted his eyes and saw all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere (before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah) like the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt as you go toward Zoar. 11 Then Lot chose for himself all the plain of Jordan, and Lot journeyed east. And they separated from each other.”*

The person that has accepted God as their portion can afford to be generous! As the more aged man, Abraham could have claimed his portion first; but he was content to waive his privileges since his Almighty Friend had appointed the place he was to receive his heritage. **"Wait on the LORD, And keep His way, And He shall exalt you to inherit the land..."** Psa 37:34.

In quiet confidence, the Patriarch stood beside his relative and observed as Lot raised his eyes and took advantage of his uncle's surprising offer.

When Lot chose the Plain of Sodom, which was lovely as Paradise itself, Abraham agreed with undisturbed serenity. In essence, Abraham said: "O LORD, *You are the portion of my inheritance and my cup; You maintain my lot. The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places; Yes, I have a good inheritance. I will bless the LORD who has given me counsel; My heart also instructs me in the night seasons. I have set the LORD always before me; Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved..*" Psa 16:5-8

Then the separation took place. God summoned His servant back to the hilltop and forever handed him all the land in a covenant!

Allow God to decide for you, especially at the beginning of something. As you stand and consider all your dealings, dare to heed the promptings of His Voice. His call still comes calling down throughout the ages: "Follow Me." "and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age!" Amen.

At His service,  
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