

Matthew 7:13-14

Life's most important choices are mutually exclusive.

Life's most important choices:

1. Choosing where to start:

Where can I make a positive start in my life?

- The Narrow Gate
Acts 4:12 - *Salvation is found in no one else.*
John 10:9 – *I am the gate. 14:6 – I am the life.*
- The Wide Gate

Apply: Have you got to the starting point yet?

2. Choosing a life direction:

What way do I go in life?

- The Broad Road
Proverbs 14:12 – *seems right but...*
- The Narrow Road
Isaiah 55:8-9 – *My ways are not...*

Apply: Beware of those editing the hard stuff.

3. Choosing my eternal destiny:

Where will I end up in life, and beyond?

- Destruction: see 5:29-30
 - It is eternal. Matt. 25:41-46
 - It is conscious. Matt. 13:41-43; Mark 9:43-48
 - It is torment. Revelation 14:11, 20:10-15
 - It is inescapable. Luke 16:19-31 (also Lk. 13:23-28)
- Life: see Revelation 21:1-8

Apply: My future destiny depends on my present choice.

4. Choosing my world view:

Do I want to live and die with the crowd?

- The few
- The many

Apply: Beware of conventional thinking.

Challenge: Choose wisely - There is no middle ground.