

There would be a tremendous difference in the fate of that drop of water depending on which inch it went this way or that way of that dividing line.

Suppose it was still further west. Suppose it was in Montana. There might be a place in Montana where if it came down on this side it would go into a little creek and go into a stream and go into the Missouri R. and go into the Mississippi and into the Gulf of Mexico and eventually out into the Gulf stream and into the Atalntac Ocean. While just an inch of differencemight take it over into the Pacific O. It would be years and Years before the two drops would get together if they ever did.

Some decisions are tremendously important, and some decisisions are of very very little importance. But how can we know which things are important. How can we know to decide what to do in particular decisions we have to make?

I thought of 13 points. 13 is a good number, I believe. They fit the thoughts that occur to me in this connection, and I'm mention these 13 points I think are important.

If we have decisions to make I would say the first and most important thing is to make sure you really want to know the Lord's will. In his book, Some Ways of God, Stacey Woods who was very active as leader of Inter-Varsity in Canada and U.S. for many years, tells of a time in Toronto when a young woman came to him and said, Mr. Woods: I wish you would tell me how to make a decision. I've been invited to go to the big dance here tonight -- the senior prom. I'd very much like to go, but I don't know whether it's God's will I should or not. Can you tell me how to decide?

He said to her, Suppose you should find it is not God's will for you to go. Does that mean you won't go. She said, I don't know; I'm not really sure. He said, That's the first thing for you to decide. He said, You cannot expect to know God's will until you have reached the point where you are sure that whatever His will is that is what you want to do. He gave her no further leading on the matter.

He said, she came to see me the next day and said, Mr. Woods, I've thought the matter over and decided it's not God's will I should go to the dance and I'm not going. He was very glad she decided herself, but the first thing was to make sure she really wanted to know the Lord's will.

Out in British Columbia some years ago, there was a godly Christian woman Mrs. Miller who was from a very godly family. They were active in the church, and she was very active in the missionary society. They constantly had missionaries in their home. They had a daughter named Isabel. She wandered from the Lord for a time. She was ridiculed in college for her faith and she turned away from it. Then after a time she came back to thorough belief in the Lord. \$ She was greatly impressed with the