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# How to Make Decisions 如何做决定

2 Corinthians – Part 2 哥林多后书-第二部分

2 Corinthians 1:12-2:4<sup>12</sup>For our boasting is this: the testimony of our conscience that we conducted ourselves in the world in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom but by the grace of God, and more abundantly toward you. <sup>13</sup>For we are not writing any other things to you than what you read or understand. Now I trust you will understand, even to the end <sup>14</sup>(as also you have understood us in part), that we are your boast as you also are ours, in the day of the Lord Jesus. <sup>15</sup>And in this confidence I intended to come to you before, that you might have a second benefit—<sup>16</sup>to pass by way of you to Macedonia, to come again from Macedonia to you, and be helped by you on my way to Judea. <sup>17</sup>Therefore, when I was planning this, did I do it lightly? Or the things I plan, do I plan according to the flesh, that with me there should be Yes, Yes, and No, No? <sup>18</sup>But as God is faithful, our word to you was not Yes and No. <sup>19</sup>For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, who was preached among you by us—by me, Silvanus, and Timothy—was not Yes and No, but in Him was Yes. <sup>20</sup>For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us. <sup>21</sup>Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, <sup>22</sup>who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.<sup>23</sup>Moreover I call God as witness against my soul, that to spare you I came no more to Corinth. <sup>24</sup>Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand.<sup>2:1</sup>But I determined this within myself, that I would not come again to you in sorrow. <sup>2</sup>For if I make you sorrowful, then who is he who makes me glad but the one who is made sorrowful by me? <sup>3</sup>And I wrote this very thing to you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow over those from whom I ought to have joy, having confidence in you all that my joy is the joy of you all. <sup>4</sup>For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.

哥林多后书 1:12 我们所夸的是自己的良心，见证我们凭着神的圣洁和诚实，在世为人不靠人的聪明，乃靠神的恩惠，向你们更是这样。1:13 我们现在写给你们的话，并不外乎你们所念的、所认识的，我也盼望你们到底还是要认识，1:14 正如你们已经有几分认识我们，以我们夸口，好像我们在我们主耶稣的日子以你们夸口一样。1:15 我既然这样深信，就早有意到你们那里去，叫你们再得益处。1:16 也要从你们那里经过，往马其顿去，再从马其顿回到你们那里，叫你们给我送行往犹太去。1:17 我有此意，岂是反复不定吗？我所起的意，岂是从情欲起的，叫我忽是忽非吗？1:18 我指着信实的 神说，我们向你们所传的道，并没有是而又非的。1:19 因为我和西拉并提摩太，在你们中间所传 神的儿子耶稣基督，总没有是而又非的，在他只有一是。1:20 神的应许不论有多少，在基督都是是的，所以藉着他也都是实在的（“实在”原文作“阿们”），叫 神因我们得荣耀。1:21 那在基督里坚固我们和你们，并且膏我们的就是 神。1:22 他又用印印了我们，并赐圣灵在我们心里作凭据（原文作“质”）。1:23 我呼吁 神给我的心作见证，我没有往哥林多去是为要宽容你们。1:24 我们并不是辖管你们的信心，乃是帮助你们的快乐，因为你们凭信才站立得住。哥林多后书 2:1 我自己定了主意再到你们那里去，必须大家没有忧愁。2:2 倘若我叫你们忧愁，除了我叫那忧愁的人以外，谁能叫我快乐呢？2:3 我曾把这事写给你们，恐怕我到的时候，应该叫我快乐的那些人，反倒叫我忧愁。我也深信，你们众人都以我的快乐为自己的快乐。2:4 我先前心里难过痛苦，多多地流泪，写信给你们，不是叫你们忧愁，乃是叫你们知道我格外地疼爱你们。

## 1. The Accusation Against Paul and HIS RESPONSE 对保罗的指责和他的回应 哥林多后书 1:13-14

Paul makes two important points here: 保罗在这里提出了两个重要的观点:

- (a) He says they already acknowledge to some extent his SINCERITY, GODLINESS and TRUTHFULNESS 他说，他们已经在某种程度上承认了他的真诚、虔诚和诚实
- (b) He acknowledges they are TRUE BELIEVERS 他承认他们是真正的信徒

## 2. God's PROMISES 神的应许

哥林多后书 1:19-22

罗马书 8:28 我们晓得万事都互相效力，叫爱神的人得益处，就是按他旨意被召的人。

First, He has "ESTABLISHED" US 首先，他接纳我们

约翰福音 10:29 我父把羊赐给我，他比万有都大，谁也不能从我父手里把他们夺去。

Second, He has ANOINTED US 第二，他膏我们

Third, He has SEALED US 第三，他用印印了我们

Fourth, He has GIVEN HIS SPIRIT as a down payment 第四他赐圣灵在我们心里作凭据  
(原文作“质”)

## 3. The BASIS of Paul's Decision 保罗的决定的依据

哥林多后书 1:23-2:4

箴言 27:6 朋友加的伤痕出于忠诚；仇敌连连亲嘴却是多余。

**Whether it's a decision about a job, marriage, career, church, or school, ask: "In this challenging decision, how can I best display the character of God in it?"** 无论决定是关于工作、婚姻、职业、教会还是学校，思考：“在这个具有挑战性的决定中，我怎样才能最好地彰显出上帝的品格？”