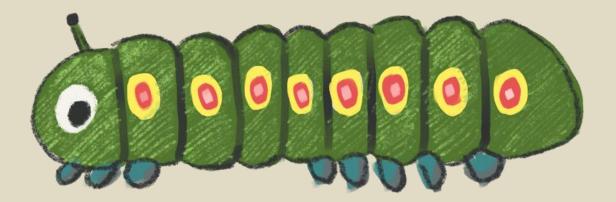
### decision deadline



"Choose this day whom you will serve... But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord".
Joshua 24:15



# 1. remember your origin story





"2 And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, 'Long ago, your fathers lived beyond the Euphrates, Terah, the father of Abraham and of Nahor; and they served other gods."

Joshua 24:2









"But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Romans 5:8

### 2. all in or not at all





14 "Now therefore fear the LORD and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness. Put away the gods that your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. <sup>15</sup> And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

Joshua 24:14-15



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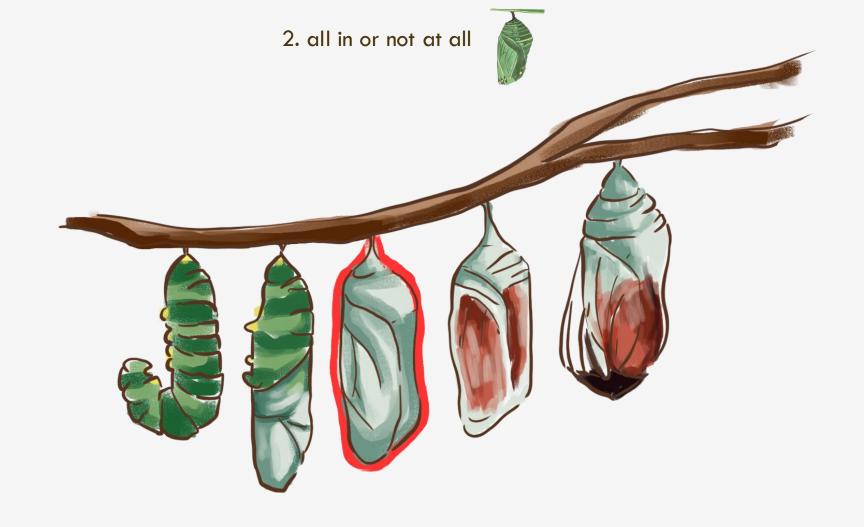
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"Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you doubleminded."

James 4:8



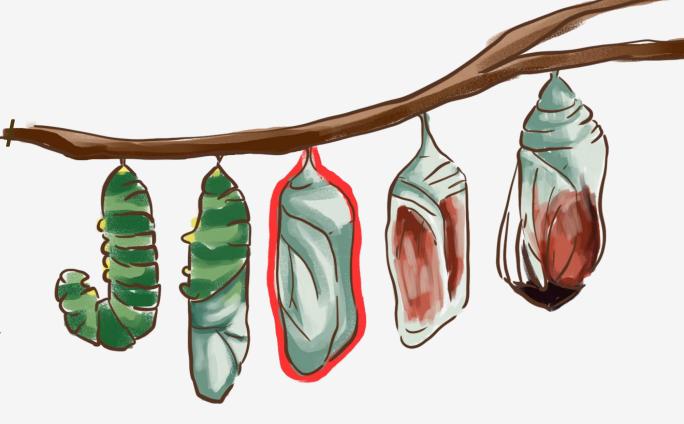
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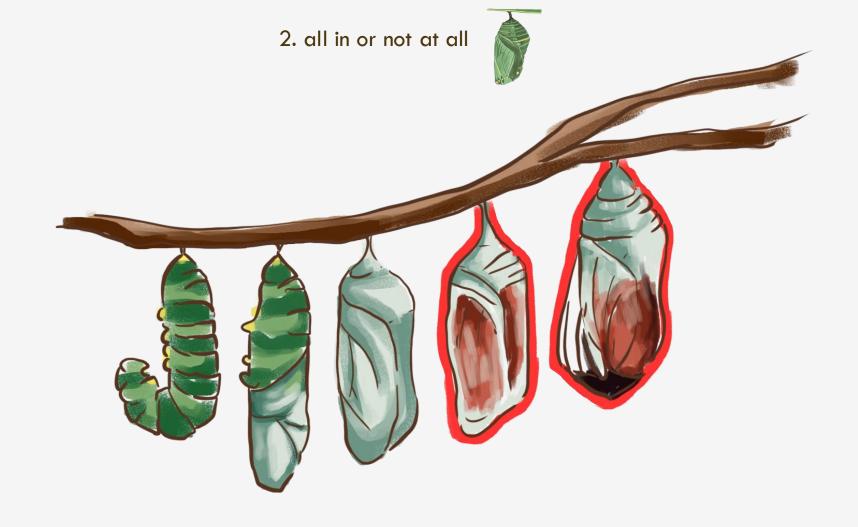
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"So everyone who acknowledges me before men, + also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, 33 but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven." Matthew 10:32-33



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## 3. the cost of the choice





"Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods... Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God"

Joshua 24:16-18



"For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it?"

Luke 14:28



"When Christ calls a man, he bids him come and die."

- Bonhoeffer



#### 3. the cost of the choice





"And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."

Luke 9:23

Our choices make a difference for ourselves, for our neighbours and our families. The laws of cause and effect work well in the physical as well as the spiritual. We the people of God must choose rightly at every point. Adam chose wrongly, and we all bear the marks of his error. Abraham believed God, and his choice was counted to him for righteousness. Joshua chose rightly too. For those of us today, the situation is the same. For the Christian or non-Christian, we are called upon to make choices which will have significant results.

- Francis Schaeffer

















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