

The Faith Script

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*Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name,
make known among the nations what He has done.
Psalm 105:1 (NIV)*

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As I find myself staring at the end of 2015 and the beginning of 2016, I am reminded of Joshua's farewell address to the Israelites (Joshua 24:1-28). The address may be divided into three sections: A Recollection to Make (24:1-13), A Decision to Make (24:14-15), An Action to Take (24:16-28).

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A Recollection to Make

The address begins by Joshua proclaiming God's Words. The verses provide a brief survey of Israelite history clearly emphasizing God's faithfulness and sovereignty and the Israelites turning from belief in false gods to belief in the one true God. This recollection challenges me to reflect upon God's faithfulness and sovereignty in my life, my family's life, and my pharmacy practice. Many of the blessings experienced in 2015 were generations in the making. Only as I look back am I able to see a small portion of God's handiwork. The greatest decision I ever made was turning from sin and turning to Christ. Although that decision was made many years ago, benefits were evident in 2015 and will continue for all eternity. I challenge you to recollect God's faithfulness and sovereignty and your turning from sin to Christ.

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A Decision to Make

In the heart of the address, Joshua challenges the Israelites to make a decision: "Now obey the Lord and worship him with integrity and loyalty. Put aside the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates and in Egypt and worship the Lord. If you have no desire to worship the Lord, choose today whom you will worship, whether it be the gods whom your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living. But I and my family will worship the Lord!" (Joshua 24:14-15, New English Translation). As I read these words, I am faced with the decision to obey and worship the Lord with integrity and loyalty in 2016 and beyond or to return to my old way of life. I am challenged to decide to worship the Lord in private, public, family, church, and pharmacy life. I challenge you to decide to worship the Lord in 2016 and beyond.

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An Action to Take

The Israelites accepted Joshua's challenge to worship the Lord and to forsake all other gods. Their decision was to be put into the action of worshipping the

<p>Lord. Our faith in Christ is to lead to a lifestyle of worship. All that I am, think, and do is to bring glory and honor to God alone. As I accept this challenge of worshipping only the one true God, I challenge you to do likewise.</p> <p>May your recollection lead to a definitive decision that results in continuous worship of our Lord of lords and King of kings.</p> <p>Jeffrey Copeland, BS, ThM, PharmD CPFI Board Member San Antonio, TX</p>	
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