

Welcome to THE View

Here Pastor Mark and other teachers will offer more information that can help you process through the message for the day.

Today I wanted to offer you two things:

1. Testimony Link

Here is a link to the Oswald Chamber's devotional that I read during worship.

<https://utmost.org/updated/the-master-will-judge/>

2. Pause Questions

The Pause

Questions #1:

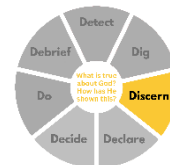
Where is there conflict, tension, or quiet resentment in your life right now — and what desire underneath it might be demanding control?

Be specific. Is it comfort? Recognition? Being right? Security? Approval? Influence?

Grow Circle Connection:



Dig – Identify the root desire beneath the surface issue.
Discern – Ask yourself whether that desire has become a demand.

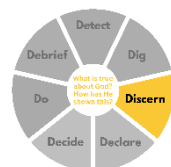


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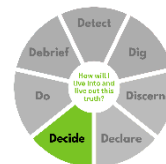
James says, “You do not have because you do not ask.” When you pray, are you mostly asking God to change circumstances — or to change you?

If God answered your recent prayers exactly as requested, would it make you more like Christ or simply more comfortable?

Grow Circle Connection:



Discern – Evaluate the motives behind your prayers
Decide – Choose to seek God Himself, not just His gifts.



Question #3.

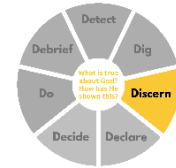
In what subtle ways might you be cultivating “friendship with the world” — adopting its priorities, definitions of success, or moral flexibility?

Where are you more shaped by culture than by Scripture?

Grow Circle Connection:



Dig – Compare your values with God’s Word.
Discern – Identify where compromise may have crept in.



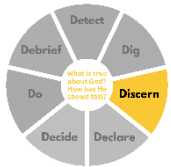
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James says, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.” Where is pride quietly operating in your life?

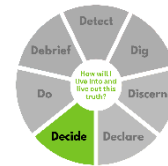
Is it defensiveness? Refusal to apologize? Comparison? Independence from God? Needing to win?

What would humility look like in that specific area?

Grow Circle Connection:



Discern – Name the pride honestly.
Decide – Choose humility instead of self-protection.



Question #5.

“But He gives more grace.” If that promise is true, what step of surrender is God inviting you to take this week?

What is one concrete act of humility — in a relationship, in repentance, or in prayer — that would open your life more fully to His grace?

Grow Circle Connection:



Do – Take one tangible step of submission.
Debrief – This week, reflect on how grace met you there.

