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## DO OR DIE

Scripture: John 10:10 - The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

Observation: Jesus in his own words juxtaposing him and his way against Satan and his way.

Application/Analysis: Sometimes the choice is as plain as the nose on your face. That's a very old saying but it is quite appropriate when we consider what we are up against. Jesus, referring to Satan, our enemy, as the thief, says in very plain English that he exists to steal. This means he wants to take away something that we have which is our joy, our peace and our sense of who we are in Jesus. He wants to separate us from closeness in our families and satisfaction in our jobs and replace that with anger because anger fuels so many emotions and engenders so many bad behaviors. 2 Cor 4:26 tells us not to remain angry because it is exactly what Satan uses to establish his protocols and evil ways inside us. Beyond this, Jesus says that he is out to kill and destroy. My friend, this is literal not figurative. Satan wants us dead so that we cannot do kingdom work or live the life that Jesus died to provide for us. We have to hear this because there is no 'right or wrong' or 'good or bad.' There is only 'life or death' and 'Jesus or Satan.' To that point, Jesus offers in the same verse that He is here to give life and to give it to the fullest. How cool is that? We get to live on this earth in such a way that nothing can harm us because Jesus is our protector and provider and after this life we get to spend eternity with Him in heaven. That's it and that's all. May we all choose life and may we all choose Jesus.

Prayer: Father, thank you for Jesus who gave His all willingly for us to have a full life. May we choose you everyday and experience the full life that you have planned for us. In Jesus name - AMEN!

Takeaway: This one is simple in that you are going to get one or the other. Please decide life and Jesus. The other isn't really a choice at all.