



Choosing Your Future



Resolution #1:

**I refuse to be _____ by
others.**



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**I refuse to be defined by
others.**



Resolution #2:

**I choose short-term _____
for long-term _____.**



Resolution #2:

**I choose short-term pain
for long-term gain.**



Resolution #3:

**I choose God's values, not
the world's.**



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1. Moses Chose God's Values, Not the World's



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“Moses regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasure of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward.”

(Hebrews 11:26)

Moses Chose God's Values, Not the World's

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- “regarded” (Gk. =hegeomai)
 - ✓ to evaluate, consider, weigh in the balance.

Moses Chose God's Values, Not the World's

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- They are confirmed by actions, not just words.
- They provide you with direction and distinction.

Moses Chose God's Values, Not the World's

What matters
most in your
life?

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Can you name the 3
most important
values in your life
right now?

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Why is this resolution so important?

If you don't decide
what's important in your
life, others will decide it
for you.

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2. What are the World's Values?



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“...lust of the flesh,
lust of the eyes,
pride of life.”

(1 John 2:16)

What are the World's Values?

“...lust of the flesh,

Passion

lust of the eyes,

Possessions

pride of life.”

Position

(1 John 2:16)

What are the World's Values?

“...lust of the flesh,

Pleasure

lust of the eyes,

Treasure

pride of life.”

Measure of Success

(1 John 2:16)

What are the World's Values?

Why would Moses walk
away from all this?

What are the World's Values?

Why would Moses walk
away from all this?

Because he knew it
wouldn't last.

The world's values are
temporary.

What are the World's Values?

The world's values are temporary.

The world and its desires
pass away, but whoever
does the will of God lives
forever.

(1 John 2:17)

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Don't love the world's ways. Don't love the world's goods. Love of the world squeezes out love for the Father. Practically everything that goes on in the world—wanting your own way, wanting everything for yourself, wanting to appear important—has nothing to do with the Father. It just isolates you from him.

(1 John 2:15-17, MSG)

What are the World's Values?

The world and all its
wanting, wanting, wanting
is on the way out—but
whoever does what God
wants is set for eternity.

(1 John 2:15-17, MSG)

What are the World's Values?

How concerned are
you that the world's
values are your values?

What are the World's Values?

3. God's Values

vs.

The World's Values



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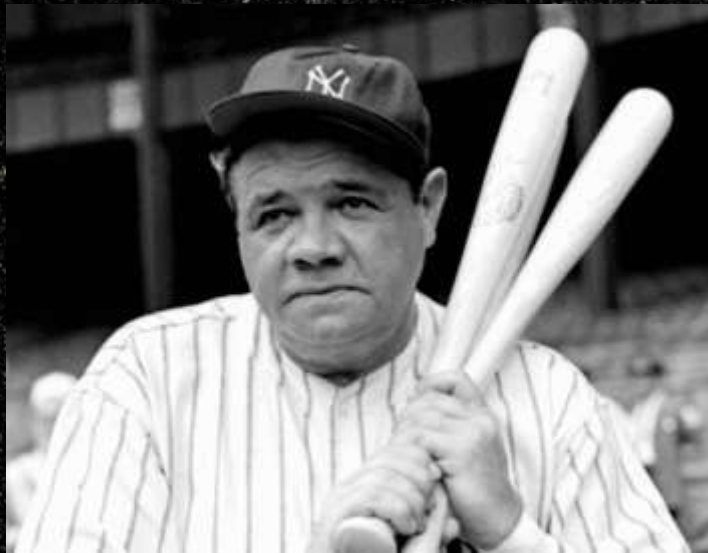
God's purpose is more valuable than
our plans for popularity.

You can make many plans,
but the Lord's purpose will
prevail.

(Proverbs 19:21, NLT)



God's Purpose vs. Popularity



Babe Ruth



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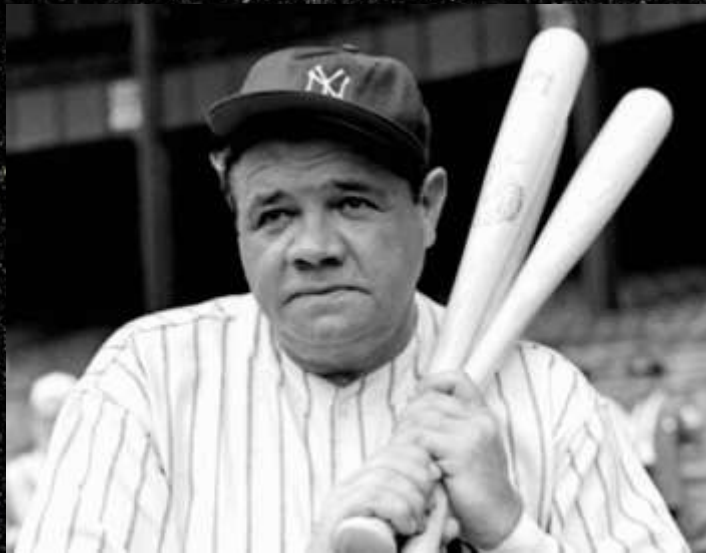
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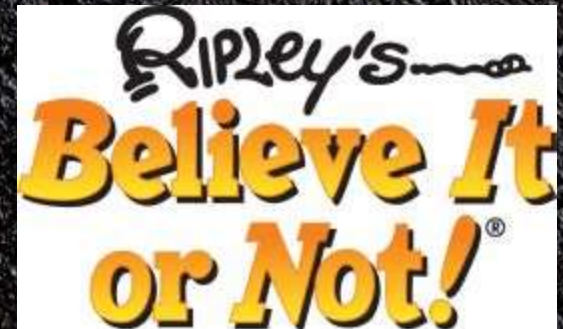
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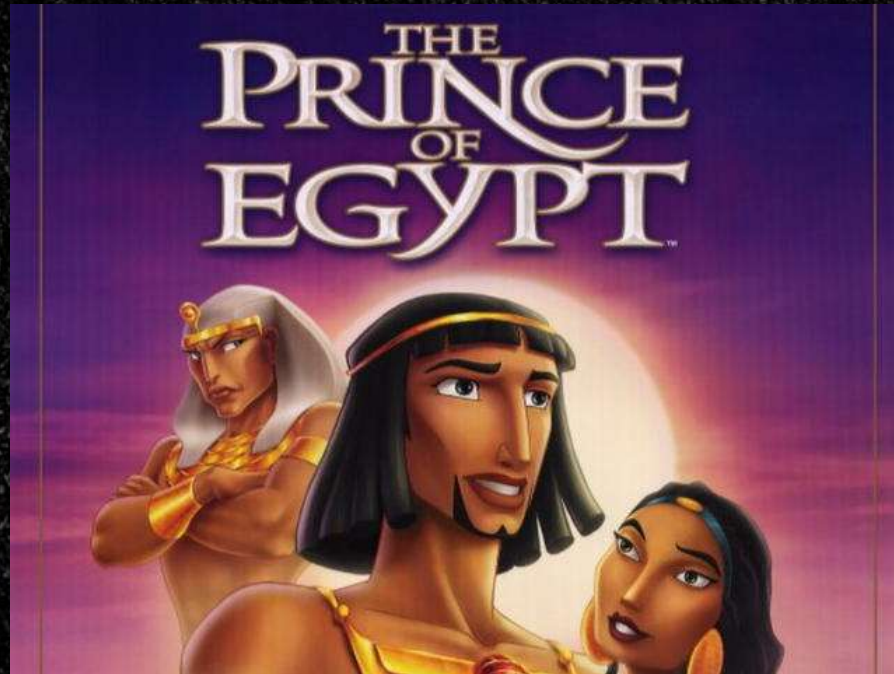


Robert Ripley



God's Purpose vs. Popularity

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possessions.



God's Values vs. The World's Values

People are more valuable than possessions.

They made their lives bitter with harsh labor in brick and mortar and with all kinds of work in the fields; in all their harsh labor the Egyptians worked them ruthlessly.

(Exodus 1:14)

People are more valuable than
possessions.

Then Pharaoh gave this order
to all his people: “Throw every
newborn Hebrew boy into the
Nile River.”

(Exodus 1:22, NLT)



God's Values vs. The World's Values



Sophia Loren

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Sophia Loren

"Listen to me,
Sophia. I am much
older than you and
if there is one great
truth I have
learned about life,
it is this--."

-Vittorio De Sica



Sophia Loren

"Listen to me,
Sophia. I am much
older than you and
if there is one great
truth I have
learned about life,
it is this—
*never cry over
anything that can't
cry over you.*"

-Vittorio De Sica

People are more valuable than possessions.

Suppose someone has enough to live and sees a brother or sister in need, but does not help. Then God's love is not living in that person.

(1 John 3:17, NLT)

Whoever is kind to the
poor lends to the Lord,
and he will reward them
for what they have done.

(Proverbs 19:17)

God's values
always triumph
over the world's.

4. Vision Sets Values



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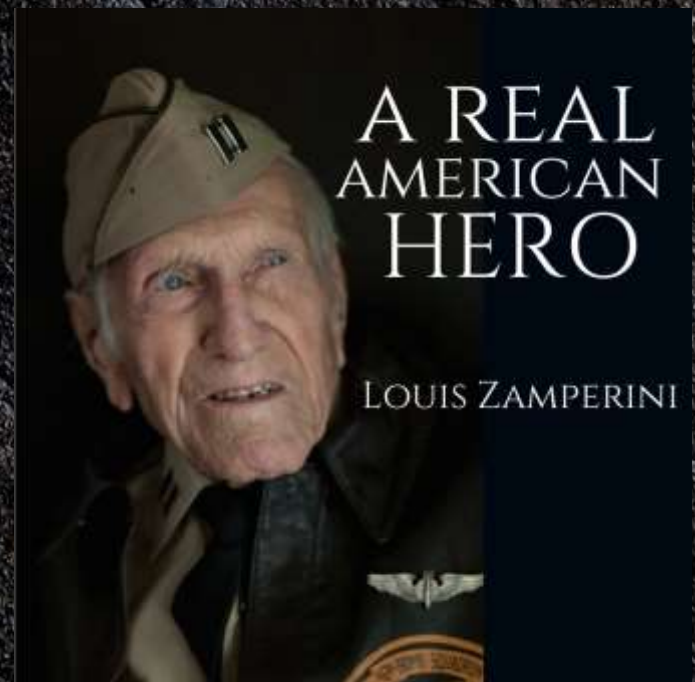
“...because he was
looking ahead to
his reward.”

(Hebrews 11:26)

We must keep our
eyes on Jesus, who
leads us and makes our
faith complete.

(Hebrews 12:2, CEV)

Whose sacrifice do you
think God values more?



Which vision sets
your values?
God's or the
worlds?



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