

Don't Just Turn Your Radio On— Pick Your Station!

Philippians 4:8

(Philippians 4:8, Message) Summing it all up, friends, I'd say you'll do best by filling your minds and meditating on things true, noble, reputable, authentic, compelling, gracious—the best, not the worst; the beautiful, not the ugly; things to praise, not things to curse.

You have the ability and the responsibility to pick the stations you tune in.

(Luke 8:18) Therefore consider carefully how you listen. Whoever has will be given more; whoever does not have, even what he thinks he has will be taken from him."

Tuning your heart is a life decision and a daily decision.

(Proverbs 8:34) Blessed is the man who listens to me, watching daily at my doors, waiting at my doorway.

What station broadcasts your attitude toward life?

Spiritual or Worldly?

(2 Corinthians 5:16a) So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view.

(Acts 16:30-31) He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved-- you and your household."

Gratitude or Resentment?

(1 Thessalonians 5:18) Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

What station are you hearing in your relationship with God?

Love or Fear?

(1 John 4:16) And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him.

(Romans 8:15) For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father."

What station do you hear in your relationship with others?

Encourager or Judge?

(Hebrews 10:24) And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

(1 Corinthians 4:5, The Message) So don't get ahead of the Master and jump to conclusions with your judgments before all the evidence is in. When he comes, he will bring out in the open and place in evidence all kinds of things we never even dreamed of—inner motives and purposes and prayers. Only then will any one of us get to hear the "Well done!" of God.

What station plays the music you hear in your church life?

Cruise or Mission Trip?

(Mark 10:43-45, Message) Whoever wants to be great must become a servant. Whoever wants to be first among you must be your slave. That is what the Son of Man has done: He came to serve, not to be served—and then to give away his life in exchange for many who are held hostage."

What station plays inside you as you spend time alone with yourself?

Grace or Condemnation?

(Romans 8:1) Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus,

(1 Corinthians 15:10) But by the grace of God I am what I am...

When you pick your stations, you've chosen the music that will fill your life.