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I Decided to Stop

The _____ you make _____ determine the _____ you'll tell _____.

_____, not intention, determines _____

² Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith,... Hebrews 12:2a (NIV)

I decided to:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

The Story Behind the Story

¹⁷ “This is not good!” Moses’ father-in-law exclaimed. ¹⁸ “You’re going to wear yourself out—and the people, too. This job is too heavy a burden for you to handle all by yourself. ¹⁹ Now listen to me, and let me give you a word of advice, and may God be with you.... Exodus 18:17-19a (NLT)

²² ... They will help you carry the load, making the task easier for you. ²³ If you follow this advice, and if God commands you to do so, then you will be able to endure the pressures, and all these people will go home in peace.” ²⁴ Moses listened to his father-in-law’s advice and followed his suggestions.

Exodus 18:22-24 (NLT)

Reasons to Stop

1. You don’t know what you’re _____ if you stop.
2. You don’t know what it will _____ you if you _____
 - What does God want you to want?
 - What does God want you to stop?

¹ Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. ² Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.... Hebrews 12:1-2a (NIV)

My Next Step Today Is To...

- Stop putting off the decision and choose today to receive Jesus as my Savior and Lord.
- Admit that I’m not certain what it is that God wants me to want but I am going to pray that God will help me to discover that before this series concludes.
- Decide to live a story worth telling as I make a commitment to stop _____
- Meditate on and/or memorize Hebrews 12:1-2a