

Choosing Your Path

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“What should I do with my life?” The question pursues us to the very end of our days. The question of fulfilling our destiny in this world is a constant challenge and provocation.

Some believe each of us should fulfill a fixed, preset design and life is a search; others believe our purpose is created and life is a shaping.

Judaism offers both models. There are moments and missions requiring only that we heed the voice: in ancient times Abraham was chosen and resolute. In modern times many artists and visionaries felt that they had but to pay attention and their journey was laid clearly before them.

But for most of us there are multiple paths to walk as there are multiple partners with whom one might make a life. Each choice will develop unique sides of our characters. The task is not to find the solitary correct road, but to walk one of the roads that will make us better, brighter, more fully realized human beings.

What you are is God’s blessing given to you. What you make of yourself is your blessing given to God.