

Start!
7 Decisions That Will Change Your Life Series

Introduction - Nobody can go back and start a new beginning but anyone can start today and make a new **ENDING** - Maria Robinson

Example: Oseola McCarthy of Hattiesburg, Mississippi

I. We have a **STORY**

- There are no do-overs but when we are honest, our story weaves all of our decisions together: good, not so good and still uncertain
- Your story isn't over! Start where you are!!
- Two of the biggest mistakes in life: not starting and not finishing
- Lamentations 3:22-23
- Any day we can start something new allowing God to help us complete it - Example: Ms. McCarthy scholarship fund at U of SM

II. **FLOSSING** Matters

- Positive disciplines pave the way for many other positive disciplines; the opposite is also true
- Undisciplined life never leads to productivity or progress
- Example: flossing - discipline begins with daily decisions
- Overnight success? - Daniel 6:4-7
- Daniel's daily prayer discipline enabled him to stare down the lions

III. Author and **FINISHER** - Hebrews 12:2a

- What does God desire/ want for your future?

- What discipline needs to start so you can head in the direction God wants? Just one!
- Example: Life change at pastors conference
- Ready, set, start - King Ahab - 1 Kings 20:14

Conclusion - Who is going to start it? **YOU** will!