

Knowing Our Ethics

What In The World Is Happening?

John 17:16-18

¹⁶ They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. ¹⁷ Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world.

ETHICS: moral principles that govern a person's behaviour or the conducting of an activity

MORALS: *standards of behaviour; principles of right and wrong*

ETHICS & MORALS: relate to “right” and “wrong” conduct. *Ethics* refer to rules provided by an external source, e.g., codes of conduct in workplaces or principles in religions. *Morals* refer to an individual's own principles regarding right and wrong.

John 15:19

¹⁹ If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you.

John 17:14

¹⁴ I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world.

1 John 2:15

¹⁵ Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

1 John 2:16

¹⁶ For everything in the world—the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boasting of what he has and does—comes not from the Father but from the world.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

I THOU SHALT HAVE NO OTHER
GODS BEFORE ME

II THOU SHALT NOT MAKE UNTO
THEE ANY GRAVEN IMAGES

III THOU SHALT NOT TAKE THE NAME
OF THE LORD THY GOD IN VAIN

IV REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY,
TO KEEP IT HOLY

V HONOUR THY FATHER AND THY
MOTHER

VI THOU SHALT NOT KILL

VII THOU SHALT NOT COMMIT
ADULTERY

VIII THOU SHALT NOT STEAL

IX THOU SHALT NOT BEAR FALSE
WITNESS AGAINST THY
NEIGHBOUR

X THOU SHALT NOT COVET

Biblical ethics

Romans 6:1-23

¹ What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? ² By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer?

Romans 6:1-23

³ Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

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⁵ If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection.

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⁶ For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin—⁷ because anyone who has died has been freed from sin. ⁸ Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him.

Romans 6:1-23

- ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.
- ¹¹ In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6:1-23

¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires.

¹³ Do not offer the parts of your body to sin, as instruments of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God, as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer the parts of your body to him as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin shall not be your master, because you are not under law, but under grace.

Romans 6:1-23

¹⁵ What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶ Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone to obey him as slaves, you are slaves to the one whom you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you wholeheartedly obeyed the form of teaching to which you were entrusted.

Matthew 6:24

²⁴ "No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money.

Romans 6:1-23

¹⁸ You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. ¹⁹ I put this in human terms because you are weak in your natural selves. Just as you used to offer the parts of your body in slavery to impurity and to ever-increasing wickedness, so now offer them in slavery to righteousness leading to holiness. ²⁰ When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness.

Romans 6:1-23

²¹ What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! ²² But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life.

Romans 6:1-23

²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.



Worldly ethics

Judges 2:10-23

¹⁰ After that whole generation had been gathered to their fathers, another generation grew up, who knew neither the LORD nor what he had done for Israel. ¹¹ Then the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD and served the Baals. ¹² They forsook the LORD, the God of their fathers, who had brought them out of Egypt. They followed and worshiped various gods of the peoples around them. They provoked the LORD to anger ¹³ because they forsook him and served Baal and the Ashtoreths.

Judges 2:10-23

¹⁴ In his anger against Israel the LORD handed them over to raiders who plundered them. He sold them to their enemies all around, whom they were no longer able to resist. ¹⁵ Whenever Israel went out to fight, the hand of the LORD was against them to defeat them, just as he had sworn to them. They were in great distress. ¹⁶ Then the LORD raised up judges, who saved them out of the hands of these raiders.

Judges 2:10-23

¹⁷ Yet they would not listen to their judges but prostituted themselves to other gods and worshiped them. Unlike their fathers, they quickly turned from the way in which their fathers had walked, the way of obedience to the LORD's commands. ¹⁸ Whenever the LORD raised up a judge for them, he was with the judge and saved them out of the hands of their enemies as long as the judge lived; for the LORD had compassion on them as they groaned under those who oppressed and afflicted them.

Judges 2:10-23

¹⁹ But when the judge died, the people returned to ways even more corrupt than those of their fathers, following other gods and serving and worshiping them. They refused to give up their evil practices and stubborn ways. ²⁰ Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel and said, "Because this nation has violated the covenant that I laid down for their forefathers and has not listened to me, ²¹ I will no longer drive out before them any of the nations Joshua left when he died.

Judges 2:10-23

²² I will use them to test Israel and see whether they will keep the way of the LORD and walk in it as their forefathers did." ²³ The LORD had allowed those nations to remain; he did not drive them out at once by giving them into the hands of Joshua.



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Romans 7:12-14

¹² So then, the law is holy, and the commandment is holy, righteous and good. ¹³ Did that which is good, then, become death to me? By no means! But in order that sin might be recognized as sin, it produced death in me through what was good, so that through the commandment sin might become utterly sinful. ¹⁴ We know that the law is spiritual; but I am unspiritual, sold as a slave to sin.

John 14:6

6 Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

