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**RIGHT OR WRONG,  
Who Determines ?**

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# Right or Wrong, Who Determines?

*"Woe to those who call evil good,  
and good evil; Who put darkness  
for light, and light for darkness;  
Who put bitter for sweet, and  
sweet for bitter! Woe to them  
that are wise in their own eyes,  
and prudent in their own self."*

**(Isaiah 5:20-21).**

# Many Standards of Standards of Authority?

**Society**

**Self**

**Seems Right**

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**Situation**

**Majority**

**End Result**

# Do False Standards Avail?

*"For so it was commanded me by the word of the LORD, saying, 'You shall not eat bread, nor drink water, nor return by the same way you came.'" (1 Kings 13:9).*

**Self**

**Seems Right**

**Situation**

**End Result**

**Gov't**

# Do False Standards Avail?

*"And when they came to Nachon's threshing floor, Uzzah put out his hand to the ark of God and took hold of it, for the oxen stumbled. Then the anger of the LORD was aroused against Uzzah, and God struck him there for his error; and he died there by the ark of God."*

**(2 Samuel 6:6-7).**

**Self**

**Seems Right**

**End**

**Result**

**Situation**

# Do False Standards Avail?

And Saul said, *"They have brought them from the Amalekites; for the people spared the best of the sheep and the oxen, to sacrifice to the LORD your God; and the rest we have utterly destroyed."* **(1 Samuel 15:15).**

**Society**

**End Result**

**Self**

**Seems Right**

# Do False Standards Avail?

*"Why then did you not obey the voice of the LORD? Why did you swoop down on the spoil, and do evil in the sight of the LORD?" And Saul said to Samuel, "But I have obeyed the voice of the LORD, and gone on the mission on which the LORD sent me, and brought back Agag king of Amalek; I have utterly destroyed the Amalekites."* (1 Samuel 15:19-20)

**Gov't**

**Self**

**Seems Right**

**Majority**

# Do False Standards Avail?

*"But the men would not heed him. So the man took his concubine and brought her out to them. And they knew her and abused her all night until morning; and when the day began to break, they let her go." (Judges 19:25).*

**Society**

**Self**

**Majority**

**Seems Right**

# Do False Standards Avail?

*"And it came to pass after these things that his master's wife cast longing eyes on Joseph, and she said, 'Lie with me.'"*  
**(Genesis 39:7)**

**Self**

**Seems Right**

**Situation**

**Majority**

# Right or Wrong—Who Determines?

- **WHY WAS IT WRONG...**

- To touch the Ark of the Covenant?

- To bring back King Achish alive?

- To bring back King Achish's wife alive?

**BECAUSE  
GOD SAID SO!**

- **WHY WAS IT RIGHT...**

- To utterly destroy the Amalekites?

- To carry the Ark of the Covenant on poles?

# Application—Moral Issues

- **Marriage, Divorce, & Remarriage**
- **Homosexuality**
- **Abortion**
- **Gambling**
- **Dancing (What, Who, Where, & How)**
- **Immodest Dress**
- **Drinking Alcoholic Beverages**

~~**Situation, Seems Right, Society,  
Majority, Minority, Government**~~

# Application—Spiritual Issues

- **RIGHT:**

- Sing in Worship (**1 Cor. 14:15**)
- Give as Prospered (**1 Cor. 16:1-2**)
- Pray (**Acts 2:42**)
- Partake of Lord's Supper (**Acts 20:7**)
- Teach God's Word (**Acts 20:7; 2:42**)

- **WRONG:**

- Mechanical music
- Solo singing
- Foot washing

- Burn incense
- Drama
- Women leading

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