



**God tells us what is right.
God tells us what is wrong.
Not situation ethics
When it is wrong –
it is always wrong.**



- **Even if you don't get caught**
- **Numbers 32:23b** be sure your sin will find you out.
- Cheat on taxes, speed, run stop sign
- **Hebrews 2:2-3** 2 For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, 3 how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him



- **Even if it is legal**

- Gambling
- Drinking
- Drugs
- Divorce
- Abortion
- Many things are leagal, but still WRONG!



- **Even if someone causes you to do it**
- Many play the “Blame Game”
- Adam and Eve
- We will be judged by the deeds done in our body
- **2 Corinthians 5:10** For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.



- **Even if it is for a “good cause”**
- Buy a chance (raffle) – still gambling
- A fund raiser using wrong methods – still wrong



- **Even if it is difficult to make right**
- Some things are hard to give up
- We need to encourage, comfort, support them
- But encourage them to quit because it is wrong



- **Even if others do things as bad or worse**
- “Everyone is doing it.”
- “It is not nearly as bad as what John did.”



- **Even if someone prominent does it**
- Elder, preacher, teacher, policeman, mayor, senator, president
- Show respect for the office
- Show concern for the individual



- **Even if it doesn't bother you**
- “I would not do it. If he wants to, OK”
- Conscience is not always a reliable guide
- Conscience can be taught wrong



- **Even if it appears to be expedient**
- Caiaphas allowed Jesus to be crucified
- Pilot washed his hands of the problem
- Do you lie to make a sale?



- **Even if you do not admit it**
- **Malachi 3:7-8** 7 Yet from the days of your fathers You have gone away from My ordinances And have not kept them. Return to Me, and I will return to you," Says the Lord of hosts. "But you said, 'In what way shall we return?' 8 "Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings.
- When did we do these things?
Matthew 25:31-46



- Two things to remember:
- Right does depend on the situation
 - Right in home may be wrong in public
 - Right in a concert is wrong in worship
- Wrong is always wrong!