



THE BIBLE PROVIDES MORAL GUIDANCE

INTRODUCTION



- DO YOU FEEL LIKE YOU ARE FULFILLING YOUR ROLE AS GOD'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE WORLD AROUND YOU? WHERE ARE YOUR AFFECTIONS SET?
- DEFINE MORALITY- "LET US MAKE MAN IN OUR IMAGE, AFTER OUR LIKENESS..."
- CHRISTIAN BASIS FOR MORALITY – THE WORD OF GOD
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- HAPPY JACK BURBRIDGE
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JACK BURBRIDGE

- ENFORCER FOR THE MOB IN CHICAGO
- GIVEN 300 YEARS IN INDIANA BUT OUT ON APPEAL
- CALLED HAPPY JACK BECAUSE HE LAUGHED WHILE BREAKING BONES AND HURTING PEOPLE
- ARRESTED IN NEW MEXICO
- WITNESSED TO BY A POLICE DETECTIVE AND GOD BEGAN DEALING WITH HIM
- LAWYERS GOT THE PAPERWORK TO GET HIM OUT OF JAIL BUT HE REFUSED
- GIVEN 12 YEARS AND OUT ON PAROLE IN LESS THAN 4 YEARS
- GOD CLEANED HIM UP FROM DRUGS, CIGARS, BAD LANGUAGE, AND VIOLENCE

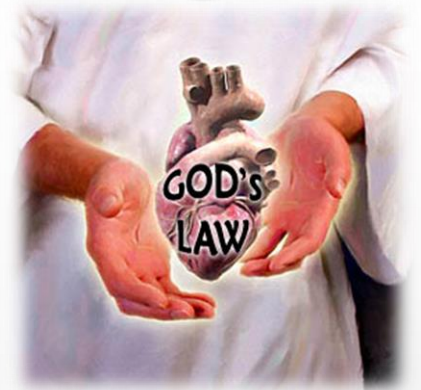
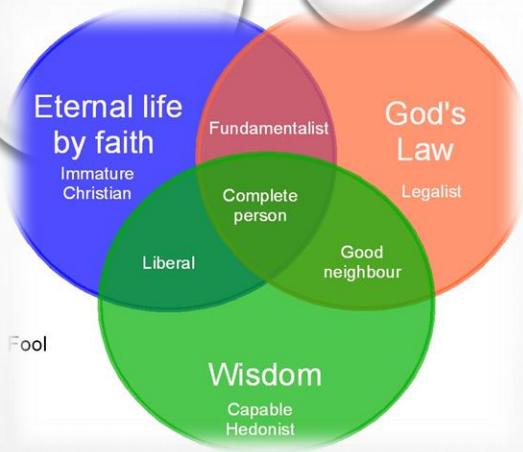


THE BASIS OF BIBLICAL MORALITY



- **THE IMAGE OF A HOLY GOD**

- [GEN 1:26-28 KJV] 26 AND GOD SAID, LET US MAKE MAN IN OUR IMAGE, AFTER OUR LIKENESS: AND LET THEM HAVE DOMINION OVER THE FISH OF THE SEA, AND OVER THE FOWL OF THE AIR, AND OVER THE CATTLE, AND OVER ALL THE EARTH, AND OVER EVERY CREEPING THING THAT CREEPETH UPON THE EARTH. 27 SO GOD CREATED MAN IN HIS [OWN] IMAGE, IN THE IMAGE OF GOD CREATED HE HIM; MALE AND FEMALE CREATED HE THEM. 28 AND GOD BLESSED THEM, AND GOD SAID UNTO THEM, BE FRUITFUL, AND MULTIPLY, AND REPLENISH THE EARTH, AND SUBDUE IT: AND HAVE DOMINION OVER THE FISH OF THE SEA, AND OVER THE FOWL OF THE AIR, AND OVER EVERY LIVING THING THAT MOVETH UPON THE EARTH.



THE BASIS OF BIBLICAL MORALITY

- **THE LAW OF A LOVING GOD**

- [MAT 22:35-40 KJV] 35 THEN ONE OF THEM, [WHICH WAS] A LAWYER, ASKED [HIM A QUESTION], TEMPTING HIM, AND SAYING, 36 MASTER, WHICH [IS] THE GREAT COMMANDMENT IN THE LAW? **37 JESUS SAID UNTO HIM, THOU SHALT LOVE THE LORD THY GOD WITH ALL THY HEART, AND WITH ALL THY SOUL, AND WITH ALL THY MIND.** 38 THIS IS THE FIRST AND GREAT COMMANDMENT. 39 AND THE SECOND [IS] LIKE UNTO IT, THOU SHALT LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR AS THYSELF. 40 ON THESE TWO COMMANDMENTS HANG ALL THE LAW AND THE PROPHETS.



THE SCOPE OF BIBLICAL MORALITY

- **HEARTS SET ON THINGS ABOVE**

- [COL 3:1-4 KJV] 1 IF YE THEN BE RISEN WITH CHRIST, SEEK THOSE THINGS WHICH ARE ABOVE, WHERE CHRIST SITTETH ON THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD. 2 SET YOUR AFFECTION ON THINGS ABOVE, NOT ON THINGS ON THE EARTH. 3 FOR YE ARE DEAD, AND YOUR LIFE IS HID WITH CHRIST IN GOD. 4 WHEN CHRIST, [WHO IS] OUR LIFE, SHALL APPEAR, THEN SHALL YE ALSO APPEAR WITH HIM IN GLORY.

THROUGH JESUS, THEREFORE
LET US CONTINUALLY OFFER
TO GOD A SACRIFICE OF
PRAISE – THE FRUIT OF LIPS
THAT CONFESS HIS NAME.



THE SCOPE OF BIBLICAL MORALITY

- **PUT ON THE NEW SELF**

- [COL 3:5-11 KJV] 5 MORTIFY THEREFORE YOUR MEMBERS WHICH ARE UPON THE EARTH; FORNICATION, UNCLEANNESS, INORDINATE AFFECTION, EVIL CONCUPISCENCE, AND COVETOUSNESS, WHICH IS IDOLATRY: 6 FOR WHICH THINGS' SAKE THE WRATH OF GOD COMETH ON THE CHILDREN OF DISOBEDIENCE: 7 IN THE WHICH YE ALSO WALKED SOME TIME, WHEN YE LIVED IN THEM. 8 BUT NOW YE ALSO PUT OFF ALL THESE; ANGER, WRATH, MALICE, BLASPHEMY, FILTHY COMMUNICATION OUT OF YOUR MOUTH. 9 LIE NOT ONE TO ANOTHER, SEEING THAT YE HAVE PUT OFF THE OLD MAN WITH HIS DEEDS; 10 AND HAVE PUT ON THE NEW [MAN], WHICH IS RENEWED IN KNOWLEDGE AFTER THE IMAGE OF HIM THAT CREATED HIM: 11 WHERE THERE IS NEITHER GREEK NOR JEW, CIRCUMCISION NOR UNCIRCUMCISION, BARBARIAN, SCYTHIAN, BOND [NOR] FREE: BUT CHRIST [IS] ALL, AND IN ALL.
- [PHL 4:8 KJV] 8 FINALLY, BRETHREN, WHATSOEVER THINGS ARE TRUE, WHATSOEVER THINGS [ARE] HONEST, WHATSOEVER THINGS [ARE] JUST, WHATSOEVER THINGS [ARE] PURE, WHATSOEVER THINGS [ARE] LOVELY, WHATSOEVER THINGS [ARE] OF GOOD REPORT; IF [THERE BE] ANY VIRTUE, AND IF [THERE BE] ANY PRAISE, THINK ON THESE THINGS.



THE GOAL OF BIBLICAL MORALITY

- **PUT ON GODLY VIRTUES**

- [COL 3:12-14 KJV] 12 PUT ON THEREFORE, AS THE ELECT OF GOD, HOLY AND BELOVED, BOWELS OF MERCIES, KINDNESS, HUMBLENESS OF MIND, MEEKNESS, LONGSUFFERING; 13 FORBEARING ONE ANOTHER, AND FORGIVING ONE ANOTHER, IF ANY MAN HAVE A QUARREL AGAINST ANY: EVEN AS CHRIST FORGAVE YOU, SO ALSO [DO] YE. 14 AND ABOVE ALL THESE THINGS [PUT ON] CHARITY, WHICH IS THE BOND OF PERFECTNESS.

**Know / Love
God**

Mark 12:29-31

- God First in Everything
- Daily Quiet Time
- Daily Bible Reading
- Pray Throughout Day
- Journal: Value God's Word
- Love My Neighbor

“Seek to know God” & “Who needs me Today?”

And the peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding,
will guard your hearts and minds
through Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4:7

THE GOAL OF BIBLICAL MORALITY

- **FIND PEACE THROUGH CHRIST**

- [COL 3:15-17, 24 KJV] 15 AND LET THE PEACE OF GOD RULE IN YOUR HEARTS, TO THE WHICH ALSO YE ARE CALLED IN ONE BODY; AND BE YE THANKFUL. 16 LET THE WORD OF CHRIST DWELL IN YOU RICHLY IN ALL WISDOM; TEACHING AND ADMONISHING ONE ANOTHER IN PSALMS AND HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS, SINGING WITH GRACE IN YOUR HEARTS TO THE LORD. 17 AND WHATSOEVER YE DO IN WORD OR DEED, [DO] ALL IN THE NAME OF THE LORD JESUS, GIVING THANKS TO GOD AND THE FATHER BY HIM. ... 24 KNOWING THAT OF THE LORD YE SHALL RECEIVE THE REWARD OF THE INHERITANCE: FOR YE SERVE THE LORD CHRIST.