

The Fallacy of “Live and Let Live”



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It is impossible for a righteous man to peaceably co-exist with evil.

Before we can begin to purge and destroy evil from society, we must first purge ourselves of evil deeds and even “thoughts” that are contrary to His Word as we are instructed to in scripture. (Romans 12:1-2, Philippians 2:5 & 4:8, Ephesians 4:22-24, II Corinthians 10:5, Hebrews 4:12 & II Timothy 1:7) The war between the “old” man (flesh) and the new man born of The Spirit is an ongoing battle. (Rom. 6:11-14 & Galatians 5:24-25) We are plainly and expressly warned in Heb. 10:26-31 and II Peter 2:19-22 about the deadly seriousness of returning back to the “world” (sin) after we have accepted Christ as our Savior! Only after we get the beam (sin) out of our own lives can we begin to help rid society of evil! (Matthew 7:1-5) In verse one, Christ does not tell us not to judge! Verses 15-20, in Matthew 7, clearly tell us “what” and “how” to judge between the righteous and the evil by their fruits (works)! As a matter of fact, Christ Himself tells us to judge with righteous judgment. (John 7:24)

Now that we have laid the foundation on the “Christian’s” need to purge her/himself and the duty to live righteously, we can move forward in our duty to demand, with authority in Christ, that our nation’s laws uphold God’s moral standards in all

spheres of life! Brothers and sisters that are truly living in Christ and understand the statement made in the beginning of this article will accept this article in the spirit of righteous indignation in which it was written!

John Wesley once made this very serious and almost prophetic statement, "What one generation tolerates, the next will embrace." How true and accurate Mr. Wesley was! It would take many pages to bring forth the solid evidence on all the ways we have compromised (tolerated) evils, large and small, to get where we are today in our once blessed nation! Romans 12:9 gave us clear instruction on how we have lost so much of the understanding of God's Word that we don't even know what evils we have tolerated and committed! In II Cor. 6:14-18 we are commanded to not be unequally yoked with unbelievers and that includes their institutions and governments! One huge reason the "church" in America has lost its authority and desire to confront and destroy evil is that we don't dare bite the hand that feeds us!

We all have sold our birthright as Americans. Especially the "professed" believers in the church! Need I say more than "501c3" (idolatry)?! If you don't have any idea of what I am saying, more is the pity! That's one huge explanation of why our nation is being turned into hell. (Psalm 9:17)

The following quotes say it pretty well! "We the people" need God! We have damned our posterity to slavery and decadence! Galatians 4:16 may come into play here. I'm certain some will be offended by the truth contained in this writing. Truth does offend! Christ was crucified because He told the truth! Amos 8:11 and Ecc. 8:11 are now our judgment!

"When principles that run against your deepest convictions begin to win the day, then battle is your calling, and peace is your sin." Abraham Kuyper -1837-1920 (Prime minister, Netherlands)

"In keeping silent about evil, in burying it so deep within us that no sign of it appears on the surface, we are implanting it and it will rise up a thousand fold in the future. When we neither punish nor reproach evildoers, we are not simply protecting their trivial old age, we are thereby ripping the foundations of justice from beneath future generations". Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn

"In the world it is called tolerance, but in hell it is called despair, the sin that believes in nothing, lives for nothing, and remains alive because there is nothing for which it will die. Dorothy Sayers

"Tolerance is the virtue of the man without convictions." G.K. Chesterton

"That what is passively accepted by a people in practices will tell more about what they embrace as good and true than all of their verbal declarations to the contrary. Aristotle

"A person may cause evil to others not only by his actions but by his inaction, and in either case he is justly accountable to them for the injury and a man who has nothing for which he is willing to fight, nothing which is more important than his own personal safety, is a miserable creature and has no chance of being free unless made and kept so by the exertions of better men than himself." John Stewart

The famed 19th Century revivalist and major contributor to America's "Second Great Awakening," Charles Finney, said the following: "If there is a decay of conscience, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the public press lacks moral discernment, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the church is degenerate and worldly, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the world loses its interest in Christianity, the pulpit is responsible for it. If Satan rules in our halls of legislation, the pulpit is responsible for it. If our politics become so corrupt that the very foundations of our government

are ready to fall away, the pulpit is responsible for it." I believe Finney was absolutely correct.

Since I have probably already alienated many people with the blunt truth, let's move on with even more brain numbing facts that your 501c3 church hireling will not tell you.

Let's list a few "evils" the "people of God" have tolerated and allowed to promulgate and infest society. Thievery through ungodly taxation, covetness through accepting "men's benefits", destruction of our children's minds and souls through and by a government run and controlled public "fool" system. And we "say" we love our children! We remained silent as one atheist was "chosen" by wicked men to take the last vestige of hope out of the public fool system in 1963! We "whined, cried and begged 'our government' gods" to stop the murder of babies! The same "gods" gave into the sexual deviants by "legalizing" gross sexual perversion in same sex marriage! Instead of rebuking the evil and spitting in the eye of the devil and his minions we, as usual, set on our "pews" and "silently" prayed and waited for the rapture!

I think it would benefit us immensely to read Revelation 3:15 and Matthew 10:32-42 again. Especially Mt. 10:34! Let us, the truly called ones, (Ekklesia) read, believe and obey Ps. 26:4-5 and 139:21-22. Evil will not relent or be turned away by tolerance or understanding!

Let's get on the firing line NOW!!

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