

## **It Seems Right to Me**

*“There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.” (Proverbs 14:12; 16:25)*

When meditating on the preceding passage one begins to realize that mankind’s wisdom apart from God’s wisdom can leave one spiritually destitute. Society and tradition can set one’s moral compass to believe that his reasoning is correct even when it violates God’s commands. The end result of such thinking is described by the prophet Isaiah:

*“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!” (Isaiah 5:20)*

Christians must use the principles of God when called on to make moral judgements. That is why it is so very, very important to have a good knowledge of what the bible says and does not say. Another Old Testament warning states:

*“My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.” (Hosea 4:6)*

We must continue to give attention to reading, to exhortation, and to doctrine as prescribed by 1 Timothy 4:13. Just as “an apple a day keeps the doctor away”, a little daily dose of God’s word helps us build a healthy spiritual awareness that we can draw upon to help us make important decisions about what is right and what is wrong.

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