



## ***Learning to Love Living Righteous***

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- In recent time we generally define right by what feels good to us and what is accepted by society.
- Christians want just enough to get to heaven but not enough to live right.
- The appeal of living right does not kick in until you start doing it.
- First, we need a concept of what is right.

### **Foundational Scriptures**

#### **Matthew 5:6 (Amplified Bible)**

<sup>6</sup>Blessed and fortunate and happy and spiritually prosperous (in that state in which the born-again child of God enjoys His favor and salvation) are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness (uprightness and right standing with God), for they shall be completely satisfied!

#### **Matthew 6:33 (Amplified Bible)**

<sup>33</sup>But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides.

### **People need to be taught:**

#### **What is the problem?**

#### **Proverbs 14:12 (Amplified Bible)**

<sup>12</sup>There is a way which seems right to a man and appears straight before him, but at the end of it is the way of death.

- **Commandments**
- **Care**
- **Consistency**
- **Confession**

### **Commandments**

#### **Mark 7:8-9 (Contemporary English Version)**

<sup>8</sup>You disobey God's commands in order to obey what humans have taught. <sup>9</sup>You are good at rejecting God's commands so that you can follow your own teachings!



### **Matthew 22:36-40 (Contemporary English Version)**

36"Teacher, what is the most important commandment in the Law?"

37Jesus answered:

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind. 38This is the first and most important commandment. 39The second most important commandment is like this one. And it is, "Love others as much as you love yourself." 40All the Law of Moses and the Books of the Prophets are based on these two commandments.

### **Care**

#### **Matthew 24:12 (Amplified Bible)**

12And the love of the great body of people will grow cold because of the multiplied lawlessness and iniquity,

#### **1 Corinthians 2:14 (New Living Translation)**

14 But people who aren't spiritual can't receive these truths from God's Spirit. It all sounds foolish to them and they can't understand it, for only those who are spiritual can understand what the Spirit means.

### **Consistency – Uncommon people do constantly what common people do occasionally.**

#### **Galatians 6:9 (Amplified Bible)**

9And let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint.

### **Confession**

#### **Mark 11:22-24 (Amplified Bible)**

22And Jesus, replying, said to them, Have faith in God [constantly]. 23Truly I tell you, whoever says to this mountain, Be lifted up and thrown into the sea! and does not doubt at all in his heart but believes that what he says will take place, it will be done for him. 24For this reason I am telling you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe (trust and be confident) that it is granted to you, and you will [get it].

#### **Matthew 21:22 (Amplified Bible)**

22And whatever you ask for in prayer, having faith and [really] believing, you will receive.

#### **John 14:14 (New Living Translation)**

14 Yes, ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it!



### **What can we do?**

- Know God's commandments so we can know and care about what is right.

### **Taught**

- Submit to man/woman's teaching (become a life learner)
- Model talents (why are you trying to figure out something that has already been figured out?)
- Make time (don't let time make you!)