When wrong doesn't seem wrong

* **Please don't mistake "meaning" well with "Being" well**.

It goes without saying, that those who are evil with the purpose of being evil will receive what is well deserved. However; the Bible is warning those that are evil unintentionally. This is God's mercy pointing those who don't want to be evil in the path of righteousness by completely following HIM. They must follow HIS instructions.

We must view this and all lessons using the ONLY correct lens - 2 Cor 5:7 We live by faith, **NOT** by sight.

Choosing the wrong lens will guide going the wrong way

We are considered foolish if we use the wrong lens- Prov 12:15 The **way of a fool** seems right to him, but a wise man listens to advice.

How "I see it" is dangerously misleading - Prov 14:12 There is a way that **seems right to a man**, but **IN THE END IT LEADS TO DEATH**. (Prov 16:25)

The right lens will guide and protect me - Prov 22:3 A prudent man **sees danger** and **takes refuge**, but the simple keep going and **suffer for it**.

Simply put, ALL things not done through Faith are wrong - Rom 14:23 But the man who has doubts is condemned if he eats, because his eating is not from faith; and **EVERYTHING THAT DOES NOT COME FROM FAITH IS SIN**.

God gave all of us this warning to recognize where we are and where we are going - Matt 7:21-24 - 21 "**NOT EVERYONE WHO SAYS TO ME, 'LORD, LORD,' WILL ENTER THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN**, but **ONLY** he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?' 23 Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you **EVILDOERS**!' 24 "**THEREFORE everyone who HEARS THESE WORDS OF MINE** and **PUTS THEM INTO PRACTICE** is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.

Simply put, we must do WHAT HE SAYS - Luke 6:46-49 - 46 "**WHY DO YOU CALL ME, 'LORD, LORD,' AND DO NOT DO WHAT I SAY?** 47 **I will show you what he is like who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice**. 48 He is like a man building a house, who **dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock**. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but **could not shake it**, **BECAUSE IT WAS WELL BUILT**. 49 But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house **on the ground without a foundation**. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete."

If we are given THE WAY, why do we keep going other ways?

John 14:6 Jesus answered, "I am **THE** way and **THE** truth and **THE** life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Matt 7:13-14 - 13 "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that **LEADS TO DESTRUCTION**, and **many enter through it**. 14 But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and **only a few find it**.

How can we NOT to be wrong no matter how it SEEMS

Humility and reverence IN THE LORD are a must - Prov 22:4 Humility and the fear **OF THE LORD** bring wealth and honor and life.

Maturity in the Lord is necessary - Heb 5:13-14 - 13 Anyone who **lives on milk, being still an infant**, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. 14 But **solid food is for the mature**, who by **constant use** have trained themselves to **DISTINGUISH GOOD FROM EVIL**.

We must recognize impurity causes misdirection - Titus 1:15-16 - 15 To the **pure**, all things are pure, but to those who are **corrupted** and do not believe, nothing is pure. In fact, both their minds and consciences are corrupted. 16 They **claim to know God**, but **BY THEIR ACTIONS THEY DENY HIM**. They are detestable, disobedient and unfit for doing anything good. ***Impurity is adding or taking away from what God says.**

Give all concerns to God the right way - Phil 4:6-7 - 6 Do not **BE** anxious about anything, but **in everything**, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And **the peace of God**, which transcends all understanding, will guard your **hearts** and your **minds** in Christ Jesus

Live every step of your life trusting and acknowledging God especially against self - Prov 3:5-7 - 5 **TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART** and **LEAN NOT** on your own understanding; 6 in all your ways **ACKNOWLEDGE HIM**, and he will make your paths straight. 7 **DO NOT** be wise **in your own eyes**; fear the Lord and shun evil.

***It is not the what you do, it is the WHY and HOW you do it. In the end the WHY and HOW will dictate the what**.