

Volume 1, Day 15: To LIVE backward is EVIL

Even Jesus prayed in the garden before the cross, “Not my will, but what you will.” So what He prayed with the disciples a few days before His death was not, “Father save me.” It was, “Father glorify yourself.”

Religion portrays God as a goody reward snack machine. He'll give us the goodies if we act goody. The ‘new creation’ life that begins instead with, “Yeah, God does have all the goodies and He loves you and He wants to teach you how to live in His way. He wants you to experience love, joy and peace with everyone and everything. Living by our selfish ways only leads to death and frustration. But in Christ we have a chance, but only by surrendering to Him, to learn to live in the fullness of His life and His love!

We are taught from an early age, even in church, that, “If you don’t look out for number one, no one else will.” Nearly everything we do is to serve that purpose. Yet, EVIL is nothing other than to LIVE backward. We were made to love others. But we have been taught to love ourselves. Religion promotes ‘self care’ over other care. “You need to take care of yourself first so that you have the strength to care for others!” That is how misery overtakes so many Christians.

We are still living backward in ‘selfishness.’ But that Holy Spirit within you, the Spirit of Christ, wants to express His ‘other-caring’ nature to those within the scope of your influence. Your moral whiteness will repulse people from God. Only the irrefutable evidence of Holy Spirit’s unconditional love in you will compel them. In the end, it is all about living knowing you’re loved and letting the Holy Spirit within you live loving others! “It is the kindness of God that compels anyone to repentance.”