KINGS NORTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday 17th August 2025 10 am

Keep a clear conscience

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In 2020 one young Israeli, fearing that the end of the world was nigh, returned a 2,000 year-old Roman catapult bolt he had stolen. He had taken the bolt, likely from the Roman siege of AD70 from a display case. He said he had been a rebellious teenager and for the past 15 years and the stolen bolt was weighing heavily on his heart. "The time has come to clear my conscience," he said. A friend; Moshe Manies, said the theft had been troubling his conscience. Richard Spencer (Times Friday 26th March 2020)

The Apostle Paul said I strive always to keep my conscience clear before God and man. Ac 24:16 We would do well to do likewise.

Today we are considering the important subject of our conscience, x2. This is not something you hear much of. The world for obvious reasons does not like to speak of it, but it is important. It's a topical sermon based on some of the 30 NT references to conscience. The sermon title is conscience care x2. A good conscience is key to living well.

The conscience is common to all mankind. Every

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保持乾淨的良心

歡迎

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禱告

2020年,一位以色列青年因擔心世界末日臨近,歸還了一把他偷來的2000年歷史的羅馬彈弓弩箭。這把弩箭很可能是公元70年羅馬圍城戰時從陳列櫃裡拿走的。他說,自己當時還是個叛逆的青少年,過去15年來,這把被偷的弩箭一直壓在他的心頭。

「是時候讓我良心清白了,」他說。他的朋友摩西· 馬尼斯說,這件失竊的事一直困擾著他。理查德·史 賓塞(《泰晤士報》2020年3月26日,星期五)

使徒保羅說:「我努力在神和人面前,常存無愧的 良心。」徒 24:16 我們也要照樣行。

今天,我們要思考一個重要的主題:我們的良心。 這不是我們常聽到的話題。出於顯而易見的原因, 世人不喜歡談論它,但它很重要。這是一篇主題講 道,基於新約聖經中30處關於良心的經文。講道標 題是「良心關懷

x2」。無愧的良心是幸福生活的關鍵。

良心是全人類共有的。每個男人、女人、男孩或女

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man, woman, boy or girl is born with a conscience. It's a deposit God has put inside each and every person, inside of you, and inside of me. It confirms to us that as image bearers of God we are therefore all moral beings. Moral beings made in the image of God. Only man is made in the image of God, so this conscience is unique to us, and evidently so.

 Animals do not have it, they just follow their instincts. They are not conscience stricken, you will never find your dog dead on your doorstep having committed suicide, No.

As image bearers of God, we are different, there is always what we <u>do</u> – and what we <u>should do</u>. When there's a difference between what I do and what I should do then there's tension. And that tension is caused by your conscience.

Everyone knows the difference between right and wrong, it is easily seen in the judgments we make about others.

When you say "he shouldn't have done that to me" or "she shouldn't have said that" you are confirming that you know right and wrong.

Everyone has been given this knowledge. Romans 2 says the requirements of the law are written on our hearts, God has put his law in your heart and in my heart, and we show that this is the case in the judgments we make, no matter how distorted they have become.

Our conscience is not the law, our <u>conscience</u> bears witness to that law. It points it out to us, it means we are as the word means = 'with knowledge'.

What your conscience does is say to you "that's the standard" – "now how does your action, your thought, your motive align with that standard - the standard you were made for". It looks in both directions and where there's a difference - it speaks. It gives us an active live commentary on how we are doing, moment by moment. This is for all people.

Depart from that standard and your conscience starts to speak. Tell the truth and all is well – tell a lie and a voice says to you "that's a lie" you immediately lose your peace leaving you feeling uneasy and bothered.

The wider the gap - the more you feel it.

Speed limit 30, drive at 35, or 50, 70, 90.
The quiet whisper becomes a shout.

This is the case with everything – the more you lie the worse you feel.

In a car going straight ahead you feel nothing. Veer off the line and a force, a centripetal

孩生來就有良心。它是上帝放在每個人內心深處的 寶藏,在你我心中。

它向我們證實,作為上帝形象的承載者,我們因此都是有道德的。是按照上帝形象所造的有道德的生物。只有人類是照著上帝的形像所造的,所以這種良心對我們來說是獨一無二的,而且顯然如此。

動物沒有良心,它們只是遵循本能。它們不會良心不安,你永遠不會發現你的狗自殺死在你家門口,不會。

作為上帝形象的承載者,我們是不同的,總是存在著我們做什麼——

以及我們應該做什麼。當我做什麼和我應該做什麼 之間存在差異時,就會產生矛盾。而這種緊張感源 自於你的良心。

每個人都知道對錯之分,這很容易從我們對他人的評判中看出。

當你說「他不應該那樣對我」或「她不應該那樣說」時,你是在確認自己知道對錯。

每個人都被賦予了這種知識。羅馬書2章說,律法 的功用刻在我們心裡,神將祂的律法放在你心裡, 也放在我心裡。我們所做的判斷,無論多麼扭曲, 都顯示了這一點。

我們的良心並非律法,我們的良心為律法作見證。 它向我們指明了律法,這意味著我們擁有「知識」 這個詞的含義。

你的良心會告訴你「這就是標準」——「你的行為、思想、動機是否符合這個標準——你被造的標準」。它會雙向觀察,發現差異之處,它會發出聲音。它會對我們時時刻刻的言行舉止進行即時的回饋。這適用於所有人。

偏離這個標準,你的良心就會開始說話。說實話, 一切都好;說謊,就會有聲音對你說"那是謊言", 你會立刻失去內心的平靜,感到不安和煩惱。差距 越大,你感覺越強烈。

限速30, 開35, 或50、70、90。悄悄的耳語變成了 吶喊。

一切都是如此——你撒謊越多,感覺越糟。 在直行的車裡,你什麼感覺都沒有。偏離路線,一 股力量,一股向心力,良心就會發揮作用,把你拉

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force, conscience comes in to play to pull you back.

That voice of conscience bears its witness to me, confirming my error. The result is a God given tension. It is a tension given to us for our good.

Your conscience is your good friend, and friends look after each other! Care for your conscience, do not interfere with it or wear it away.

The problem is that as moral beings God allows you make your choices, to set your own path, and to take responsibility for your actions, - actions on which you will one day – on Judgment Day - be called to give account.

That is how uniquely elevated humans are, today's actions have eternal consequences. Strip away consequences and we are no more than children.

So if you are determined to do wrong then gradually that voice is drowned out, dumbed down, and you no longer hear it. The Lord hands you over to your choices. And that is a dangerous place to be.

Have you ever been to the Niagara Falls between USA and Canada? The first thing that meets you is the roar, the noise of it, all that water cascading down from such a height. But stay there a while and it seems less loud, you gradually get used to it.

So with your conscience. Depart from the right path and at first its great roar astounds the soul, when you first lie, or when you first swear, it literally keeps you awake at night. But keep doing it, keep sinning and after a while you get used to sin, and conscience's plea is scarcely heard, and you are even lulled to sleep by its sound.

That's a very dangerous place to be, for you are no long able to hear the approaching doom. You do not heed the warnings - for they are not heard. Your sentence has come, and your eternal destruction sealed. That is increasingly the case with those around whose conscience are deadened.

- The taking in of endless TV, internet, social media with all the vice, violence, crime, bad language and excess, numbs the conscience.
- Increasingly those in court display no remorse or guilt. Consciences have been so damaged as to be as Paul says: seared as with a hot iron. 1Ti 4:2 Men and women do with impunity things which would shock them if their consciences were in a healthy state.

It's a consequence of our lawless society. As Paul tells Titus of those in Crete **both their minds and consciences are corrupted.** Tit 1:15

回來。

良心的聲音為我作證,證實了我的錯誤。結果就是 上帝所賦予的張力。這種張力是為了我們的益處而 賦予的。

你的良心是你的好朋友, 朋友會互相照顧! 照顧好你的良心, 不要幹擾它或消磨它。

問題是,作為一個有道德的人,上帝允許你做出選擇,設定你自己的道路,並為你的行為負責——有一天,在審判日,你將為這些行為負責。

人類的獨特之處就在於此,今日的行為將帶來永恆的後果。 撇開後果不談,我們不過是孩童。

所以,如果你執意作惡,那聲音就會逐漸被淹沒, 變得愚鈍,你再也聽不見。主會把你交給你的選擇 。而那是一個危險的境地。

你去過美國和加拿大之間的尼加拉瀑布嗎?首先映 入眼簾的是它的轟鳴,它的喧囂,以及從高處傾瀉 而下的水流。但在那裡待一會兒,它似乎就沒那麼 響了,你就會逐漸習慣它。

你的良心也是如此。偏離正道,起初它巨大的轟鳴 聲會震撼靈魂,當你第一次撒謊,或者當你第一次 咒罵,它真的會讓你徹夜難眠。但繼續這樣做,繼 續犯罪,一段時間後,你就習慣了犯罪,良心的懇 求幾乎聽不見,你甚至會被它的聲音哄睡。

那是一個非常危險的地方,因為你再也聽不到即將 到來的厄運。你不聽從警告——

因為它們根本不被聽見。你的判決已經來到, 你永恆的毀滅已成定局。對於那些良心麻木的人來說,

這種情況越來越普遍。

沉迷於電視、網路、社群媒體, 充滿各種惡習、暴力、犯罪、髒話和放蕩不羈, 使人的良心麻木。

法庭上的人越來越多地表現出毫無悔意或愧疚感。 良心已經被嚴重損害,正如保羅所說:如同被熱鐵 烙慣了一般。提摩太前書 4:2

男男女女肆無忌憚地做著一些如果他們的良心還健 全的話會感到震驚的事情。

這是我們這個無法無天的社會所造成的後果。正如 保羅告訴提多,克里特島的人,他們的思想和良心 都敗壞了。提多書 1:15

□ 不要壓抑你的良心,以免它逐漸失去力量。 努力在神和人面前始終保持你的良心清白。守護你的良心,關愛它,不要壓抑它或扼殺牠。讓它說話

,願它永遠在你的耳邊,不斷傾聽它的聲音。

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Do not suppress your conscience lest it gradually loses its force.

Strive to always to keep your conscience clear before God and man. Guard your conscience, care for it do not suppress it or kill it off. Let it speak, may it always have your ear, keep listening out for it.

Consciences can be educated - you are doing this in coming to church. Here your conscience is being reinforced, you will be more 'moral'. That doesn't mean you are saved, just more 'moral'. There is a huge difference!

Consciences can be educated, they can be worked at, this is what parents do in teaching their children so that they imbibe good conduct.

Children taught not to cross the road without holding hands can later feel guilty when they don't. Consciences can be strengthened, trained and moulded for good. They can be moulded for good, - and moulded for bad.

There is a battle of influence, we cannot expect schools, peers, media to help. Lobby groups try to remove 'inhibitions' or 'bias' and to 'liberate'. This stops the voice of sound judgment, it's a frontal attack on our conscience. The more they corrupt it the more we have to do to preserve it. I left school with a conscience but five years later it was seriously damaged. I had exposed myself to influences that warred against my conscience. I used my mind to reason with - and argue against it. Do you too reason and argue with yourself to justify and excuse your actions? How much to eat, what to buy etc.

Yet my conscience used to bother me. Go where you like in the world and you won't be able to escape it - it is always with you – it goes with you.

You can try to drown it, but like that buoy in the sea it bobs back up. Like a stone in your shoe it niggles, it just doesn't go completely away.

It bothered JW leader Raymond Franz - who wrote Crisis of Conscience

Our efforts cannot appease it - Heb 9:9 reminds us that gifts and sacrifices being offered cannot clear the conscience of the worshipper. Why? For they cannot remove sin and that's what's needed to clear a troubled conscience.

• If you have toothache, and it is caused by an abscess try all you like but you will never remove the pain until the abscess is dealt with.

There is no peace for the wicked Is 57:21. Until sin is

良心是可以培養的一你來教會就是在培養良心。在 這裡,你的良心會被強化,你會變得更「道德」。 這並不意味著你得救了,只是更「道德」了。這兩 者之間有很大的差異!

良心是可以培養的,可以加以利用的,就像父母教 導孩子養成良好行為一樣。

被教導不要不牽手就過馬路的孩子,以後如果過馬路,可能會感到內疚。良心可以被強化、訓練和塑造,使之向善。良心可以被塑造向善,也可以被塑造向惡。

這是一場影響力之戰,我們不能指望學校、同儕和媒體來幫忙。遊說團體試圖消除"禁忌"或"偏見",並試圖"解放"他人。這扼殺了理性判斷的聲音,是對我們良知的正面攻擊。他們越是腐蝕良知,我們就越需要努力維護它。

我離開學校時,良知依然清晰,但五年後,它卻嚴重受損。我曾接觸過各種與良知對抗的因素。我用我的思維去與良知推理,也去與良知爭論。你是否也曾為自己的行為辯護,為自己的行為開脫?吃多少,買什麼等等。

然而,我的良知曾經困擾著我。無論你去哪裡,你 都無法擺脫它——它始終如一——與你同行。

你可以試圖淹沒它,但就像海裡的浮標一樣,它會 浮上來。就像鞋子裡的石頭一樣,它會刺痛你,無 法完全消失。

這讓耶和華見證人的領袖雷蒙·弗朗茲(他著有《良心危機》)深感困擾。

我們的努力無法平息良心的不安一希伯來書9:9提醒 我們,奉獻的禮物和祭物無法洗清敬拜者的良心。 為什麼?因為它們無法除去罪,而罪正是洗清不安 良心的必需品。

如果你牙痛,而且是膿腫引起的,無論你怎麼嘗試,除非膿腫被處理,否則你永遠無法消除疼痛。

以賽亞書57:21說:惡人不得平安。除非罪被處理, 否則就沒有平安。上帝已使罪人和罪的居所成為咒 詛。

終有一天,上帝的憑據會說話—— 它將證實你的失敗、審判和放逐。

在約翰·班揚的《聖戰》中, 良心被描述為「記錄員 先生」。

雖然良心無法讓你好轉,但它確實會揭示你的病痛

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dealt with there is no peace. God has made the person and home of sin a curse.

And the day will come when God's deposit will speak - and it will confirm your failure, judgment and banishment.

In John Bunyan's *Holy War* the <u>conscience</u> is described as Mr Recorder.

While a conscience cannot make you better – it does reveal your sickness. And when it does, do not do nothing. when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. No, a wise man, when he knows he is sick, will head to the doctor.

Do you see your sickness of heart? Then there's a doctor to whom you can go. He welcomes you. His door is always open. There is no need to wait. He understands the problem perfectly. Come in. Jesus Christ, through his death on the cross has made it possible. It's through his suffering he can clear me of my guilt. God's Only Son suffered and died in great pain as my loving substitute. This sin bearer came so those who turn to him need not bear their sin. *Hallelujah!*

He came not to rub it in, but to rub it out. His suffering can bring me peace with God. And if I have peace with him, I can have peace everywhere else. What a wonderful gift it is. Do you feel guilty and are bothered by your conscience? then confess and turn from your sin, The risen Lord Jesus beacons you to do just that. This man said for day and night your hand was heavy upon me; then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD" and you

Relief! That invitation still stands. Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found, surely when the mighty waters rise speaking of the great flood they will not reach him. No fear of Judgment now!

forgave the guilt of my sin.

The general wearing away of conscience is why sharing the gospel of repentance is so much harder now. Yet behind the natural hostility, we have, within each person, an ally, one who confirms the truth of what we are saying to them by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. 2Co 4:2. Where there is a well informed conscience we can expect the law of God to bother that person.

OA in the 1960 and people kneeling in repentance

。當它揭示的時候,不要袖手旁觀。我閉口不言的時候,因終日唉哼而骨頭枯乾。不,聰明人知道自己有病,就會去看醫生。

你看到心裡的病了嗎?那你可以去找一位醫生。他 歡迎你。他的門永遠敞開。無需等待。他完全了解 你的問題。進來吧。

耶穌基督,透過祂在十字架上的死,使這一切成為可能。透過他的苦難,他可以洗清我的罪。上帝的獨生子作為我慈愛的替身,承受巨大的痛苦而死。這位擔當罪孽的人來到世上,是為了讓那些轉向他的人不必承擔他們的罪孽。哈利路亞!

□ 他來不是要加重罪孽,而是要消除罪孽。 祂的苦難能帶給我與上帝之間的平安。如果我與祂 和好,我就能在其他地方擁有平安。這是多麼美好 的禮物。

你是否感到內疚,並被你的良心所困擾?然後承認並轉離你的罪,復活的主耶穌指引你這樣做。

這人說,你的手畫夜沉重地壓在我身上;.....然後 我向你承認我的罪,不隱瞞我的罪。我說:"我要向 主承認我的過犯",你就赦免了我的罪。

解脫!這邀請依然有效。所以,凡虔誠的人,都當 趁你可尋找的時候禱告你。大水漲起來,預示著大 洪水,必不能到他那裡去。現在不必懼怕審判了!

良心的普遍消磨,是現在分享悔改福音如此困難的原因。然而,在自然的敵意背後,我們每個人內心都有一個盟友,他透過清楚地闡明真理,證實我們所傳講的真理。我們在神面前將自己交託給各人的良心。林後4:2。良心健全的人,神的律法必然會攪動他。

□ 1960年的OA和跪下悔改的人們

主藉著聖靈在裡面動工,激動人的良心。英國宗教 改革的一個標誌,只能被描述為良心的普遍覺醒。 而這是如何發生的呢?透過神的話!

當一個人成為基督徒時,良心就會重新煥發活力,似乎又恢復了活力。彼得說,洗禮……是向神無虧良心的保證。彼得前書 3:21 良心現在聽從你的呼喚。

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The Lord's inner working by His Spirit stirs the conscience. A mark of the Reformation in England can only be described as a general awakening of conscience. And how did this happen? Through the word of God!

When someone becomes a Christian the conscience is reinvigorated, it seems to come alive and active again. baptism Peter says ... is the pledge of a good conscience towards God. 1 Pe 3:21 The conscience now has your ear.

In 2015 the Daily Mail reported a man who entered a Police station in Leicester. He confessed to the crime he'd committed 10 years earlier. Merice Brown told officers he'd become a born-again Christian and wanted to clear his conscience. He led officers to the gun he'd used in the attack. He was sentenced to 12yrs in prison for attempted murder. 27 Jul 2015

As a Christian we get a new start, a clean slate as it were, the blood of Christ has cleansed our conscience so that we may serve the living God! Heb 9:14 Heb 10:22. Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience

Christ has made us clean, now we must keep it that way.

As a Christian we now pledge ourselves to a good <u>conscience</u> towards God. 1Pe 3:21. Paul, the worst of sinners said from now onwards he strove always to keep his <u>conscience</u> clear before God and man. 10 times we hear that we should keep our conscience clear, care for it, to keep it clean as it were.

That means our conscience is not raising issues with our behaviour.

So if you don't feel right then ask why? What's caused this? Why has my peace gone? Ask the Lord "is there something I need to repent of? Show me". And if the Lord shows you and you repent of it he will forgive you. He will forgive you. Sometimes there's an immediate release, however, sometimes there is not. Does the Lord want to teach you how serious it was before him and maybe to others? To immediately have peace when we confess to something would cause us to have a light our view of sin.

Do you live feeling guilty? Then find out whyand change something.

Sometimes you feel bad not because of your conscience but because of the effect of the sin of others.

When I saw the minibus wheel arch stripped off I immediately felt down. Was that right? Yes, to a point for sin always leaves its mark. But I

2015年,《每日郵報》報道了一名男子進入萊斯特警察局的事件。他承認了自己10年前犯下的罪。梅里斯布朗告訴警官,他已經重生為基督徒,想要洗清自己的良心。他帶領警官找到了他襲擊時使用的槍支。他因謀殺未遂被判處12年監禁。

身為基督徒,我們獲得了一個新的開始,彷彿一張 白紙,基督的寶血洗淨了我們的良心,使我們能服 事那永生的神!希伯來書 9:14 希伯來書

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10:22。讓我們以誠心和充足的信心來到神面前,心中的罪已被灑淨,從良心上得著潔淨。

基督已經潔淨了我們, 現在我們必須持守這潔淨的良心。

身為基督徒, 我們現在要向神保證, 要有無虧的良心。彼得前書

3:21。保羅, 罪人中最壞的, 卻說, 從今以後, 他要努力在神和人面前, 常存無虧的良心。我們十次聽說, 我們應該保持良心清白, 愛護它, 讓它保持清潔。

這意味著我們的良心不會對我們的行為提出質疑。 所以,如果你感覺不對勁,就問為什麼?是什麼導 致了這種情況?為什麼我的平安消失了?問主:「 我有什麼需要悔改的嗎?請你指示我。」如果上主 指示你,你也悔改了,祂就會饒恕你。他會饒恕你 的。有時你會立即得到釋放,有時則不會。主是否 想告訴你,在祂面前,甚至在別人面前,這件事有 多嚴重?當我們坦白某事時,立即獲得平安,這會 讓我們對罪的看法更加清晰。

□ 你活在內疚之中嗎?那就找出原因—— 並做出改變。

有時你會感到難過,並非因為良心不安,而是因為他人罪的影響。

當我看到小巴的輪拱被剝掉時,我立刻感到沮喪。是這樣嗎?是的,某種程度上是因為罪總是會留下痕跡。但我並沒有沮喪太久,因為主掌管一切,我沒有做錯任何事。

也許你感到難過,為什麼?是因為你錯過了什麼嗎?是別人吃了最後一塊蛋糕,還是在團契午餐後拿走了你想要的東西?是否有人比你更受關注? 那不是你的良心,那是受傷的驕傲

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didn't feel down for long, the Lord's in charge, I'd done no wrong

Maybe you feel bad, why? Was it you missed out on something? Did someone else have the last cake, or took what you wanted after a fellowship lunch? Has another received more attention than you?

That's not your conscience, that bruised pride x2. And if you have Christ then you died with Him, a dead person does not respond or have pride.

Strive always to keep your <u>conscience</u> clear before God ^ and man >

In Gen 37, 42 Reuben the oldest brother was guilt stricken when Joseph was sold to the Ishmaelites and later when young Benjamin was to go to Egypt. In John 8 when the woman was caught in adultery all knew their guilt, no-one would throw the first stone, all slipped away. Felix when he heard about righteousness said "that's enough for now" it was getting to him. Acts 26. David was conscience stricken when Nathan confronted him about his sin with Bathsheba Ps 51. Judas was full of remorse in betraying Jesus and went off to hang himself. So too King Saul when David could have killed in the cave but didn't, and then squirming King Herod whose sin was exposed by John the Baptist. These all made errors of judgment, and that judgment comes from the mind. So what is the mind's role in all this?

Mind - Who decides what to do when your conscience says "that was a lie?" Your mind. Romans 2:15 gives the answer. It's your mind that checks it with scripture so your thoughts now accuse you - if you have done wrong or defend you - if you have done right. So learn God's word!

Abimelech was accused of wrongdoing with Abraham's wife Sarah.

With his mind he considered his actions and said I have done this with a clear <u>conscience</u> and clean hands." Ge 20:5. His mind had made a right judgment. God who saw his motive confirmed this to him in a dream "Yes, I know you did this with a clear <u>conscience</u>, and so I have kept you from sinning against me. That is why I did not let you touch her. Ge 20:6

It is our minds that decide what we do about things. It is the decision making room. Use your mind. Don't use your feelings, they're unreliable, they are open to wrong persuasion. The bible rarely mentions them. With a clear conscience you can be confident. As Paul said I speak the truth in Christ—I am <u>not</u> lying, my <u>conscience</u>

x2。如果你擁有基督,你就會與祂同死,死人不會 回應,也不會驕傲。

努力在神和人面前始終保持你的良心清白。

在創世記 37、42

章中,當約瑟被賣給以實瑪利人,以及後來年輕的 便雅憫要去埃及時,長兄流便深感愧疚。在約翰福 音 8

章中,當女人犯姦淫被抓時,所有人都知道自己的 罪孽,沒有人會先扔石頭,所有人都溜走了。當腓 力斯聽到公義時,他說"現在夠了",這讓他很受打 擊。使徒行傳 26

章。當拿單質問大衛與拔示巴所犯的罪時,大衛深感愧疚(詩篇 51

章)。猶大對背叛耶穌深感懊悔,於是去上吊自殺。大衛本來可以在山洞裡殺人,卻沒有殺他,掃羅王也是如此;施洗約翰揭露了希律王的罪行,希律王也因此感到不安。這些人都犯了判斷錯誤,而這種判斷源自於思想。那麼,思想在這一切中扮演了什麼角色呢?

思想一當你的良心告訴你「那是謊言」時,誰來決定該怎麼做?是你的思想。羅馬書2:15給了答案。是你的思想用聖經來核對,所以你的思想現在會控告你——如果你做錯了;也會為你辯護——如果你做對了。所以,要學習神的話語! 亞比米勒被指控與亞伯拉罕的妻子撒拉有不正當的關係。

他用思想省察自己的行為,說:「我憑著無愧的良 心和乾淨的手做了這事。」創世記

20:5。他的思想做出了正確的判斷。神洞察祂的動機,並在夢中向祂證實了這一點:「是的,我知道你憑著無愧的良心做了這事,所以我阻止了你得罪我。」這就是我不讓你碰她的原因。創 20:6

我們的心智決定了我們要做什麼。它是做決定的空間。用你的心智。不要用你的感覺,它們不可靠,容易受到錯誤的說服。聖經很少提到它們。有了清潔的良心,你就可以充滿信心。正如保羅所說,我在基督裡說真話——

我沒有說謊,我的良心在聖靈裡證實了這一點。羅 馬書 9:1

正如我們在經文中提到的吃可能是祭祀所獻的肉的

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confirms it in the Holy Spirit Rom 9:1

As we had in the passage with the example of the eating of meat probably offered in sacrifice - we are to use our minds to consider the conscience of others. So guard your conscience but also guard the conscience of others.

Then both you and your brother or sister can walk aright with God 1 Pe 3:16. Let go of these and you are on the rocks. Paul tells Timothy to hold on to faith and a good conscience. Some have rejected these (that is faith and a good conscience) and so have shipwrecked their faith. 1Ti 1:19

It is said if you can have five good friends in life you are doing well, well here is a friend to be valued. Your conscience is your good friend.

Dear Christian, your conscience is your soul's indicator, hear that bell? See lights flashing? As soon as it informs you of problems - then investigate.

If the car has a noise then it is a warning sign, investigate before further trouble comes. When your soul speaks source the evil and then avoid it. It is a serious calamity to allow the soul's indicator to become dulled and silent through continuance in sin. Better by far to live in perpetual anxiety when in the right, than to remain at ease while doing wrong. Lord, make my conscience tender, awaken it, and keep it awake. Conscience care means you listen to it - and act. Always be sensitive to it. Always be listening out for it. 4000 years ago Job wrote: I will maintain my righteousness and never let go of it; my conscience will not reproach me as long as I live. Job 27:6 Let us do likewise. I finish with Martin Luther's testimony who in being brought before the Roman Catholic Cardinals in the famous Diet of Worms said: Unless I am convicted of error by the testimony of Scripture...I cannot and will not recant anything, for to act against our conscience is neither safe for us, nor open to us. On this I take my stand. I can do no other. God help me. Amen. END

例子____

我們要用我們的心思去考慮別人的良心。所以,要 保守自己的良心,也要保守別人的良心。

這樣,你和你的弟兄姊妹就能與神同行。彼得前書3:16。放棄這些,你就會在困境中。保羅告訴提摩太要持守信心和無虧的良心。有些人拒絕了這些(也就是信心和無虧的良心),因此他們的信心就破滅了。提摩太前書1:19

俗話說,人生若能有五個好朋友,就算不錯了,這 真是值得珍惜的朋友。你的良心就是你的良心。

親愛的基督徒,你的良心是你靈魂的指示器,聽到 鈴聲了嗎?看到閃爍的警示燈了嗎?一旦它告訴你 問題所在,就立即調查。

如果汽車發出異響,那就是一個警告信號,在更多麻煩來臨之前,務必調查清楚。當你的靈魂發出聲音時,要找出邪惡的根源,然後避開它。如果繼續犯罪,讓靈魂的指示器變得遲鈍沉默,那將是一場嚴重的災難。做對事時永遠焦慮,遠勝於做錯事時安逸自在。主啊,求祢使我的良心溫柔,喚醒它,並讓它時刻警醒。

關懷良心意味著你要傾聽它,並採取行動。時刻對它保持敏感。時刻留意它。

4000年前,約伯寫道:我要堅守我的義,永不放棄;只要我還活著,我的良心就不會責備我。約伯記27:6

讓我們也這樣做吧。最後,我想引用馬丁路德的見證。他在著名的沃爾姆斯議會上被帶到羅馬天主教樞機主教面前時說:「除非我被聖經的見證定罪……否則我不能也不會放棄任何事,因為違背良心行事對我們來說既不安全,也對我們沒有任何約束力。我堅持我的立場。我別無選擇。願上帝幫助我。阿門。」結束

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