

Study QUESTIONS



Ep.1351: What Defines Moral Behavior? (Part II)

See:

<https://christianquestions.com/society/1351-moral-behavior-part-ii/>

1. In your own words, define objective and subjective morality. Give two examples of each.
2. As subjective human beings, what process do we need to do to bring us closer to God's objective morality?

Acknowledge: *Differences in our backgrounds influence how we follow God's moral compass. (1 Corinthians 8)*

3. What was the objective morality concerning the eating of things sacrificed to idols? (verses 1-6)
4. What was the subjective morality concerning these things? What were the former idol worshippers struggling with? (verses 7-8)
5. How can having Christian liberty cause us to become arrogant or otherwise sin? (verses 9-13)

Acknowledge: *Even with a blessed and righteous background, we still must raise our moral consciousness. (Romans 14)*

6. Why would the Jewish Christians think the Gentile Christians needed to follow Jewish customs?
7. In what areas do you see your faith is relatively "weak"? How can this be overcome? (verses 1-4)
8. Where do you see your faith as strong? Is it hard to be patient with others in this area? Explain.

Acknowledge: *We are all drawn to God's objective morality though we have different backgrounds. We are all in the process of change despite coming from different perspectives. (Romans 14)*

9. How can God accept someone who is so wrong in their thinking? (verse 5-6)
10. Have you had some muddled thinking on issues in the past? How were you honoring God even though your thinking was not straight with God's objectives?

Acknowledge: *Our recognition of and encouragement of one another must be in accordance with God's clear and objective morality. (Romans 14)*

11. What do you have in common with the brother or sister who believes differently on an issue? (verses 9-12)
12. How should we act towards that brother or sister? (Matthew 5:7-9, Galatians 6:1-3)
13. Which is better, peacemaking or peacekeeping? Why?
14. What is the danger in having passion and conviction for your position? How can we take a moral stand yet be an encouragement to one who disagrees? How can a good thing seem evil? (verses 13-19, Galatians 5:16-17)

Acknowledge: *Because we are subjective human beings, our relationships with the brotherhood can go wrong or be blessed and go right. (Romans 14)*

15. Why does the Jewish Law seem more black and white than the grayness of the law of liberty? Explain how this is true or not. How can we learn from the ancient Jewish leaders? (1 Corinthians 6:12)
16. What must we put first when dealing with others? What is "the work of God" we must NOT tear down? Have you ever condemned yourself in presenting a correct viewpoint? Explain. (verses 20-23)
17. How are you embracing the challenge of reaching toward God's moral objective? How can you improve?