

A photograph of a pumpkin patch. Numerous bright orange pumpkins are scattered throughout the frame, some in the foreground and others in the background. The pumpkins are surrounded by large, green, lobed leaves. The lighting is bright, suggesting a sunny day. The pumpkins have a smooth, slightly ribbed texture and some have their stems still attached.

“Woe to those who call
evil good, and good evil;
Who put darkness for light,
and light for darkness; Who
put bitter for sweet, and
sweet for bitter.”

Isaiah 5:20

Can I justify wrong?

**Ignorance
is no
Excuse!**

- Texas Penal Code - PENAL § 49.031. Possession of Alcoholic Beverage in Motor Vehicle
- (1) “Open container” means a bottle, can, or other receptacle that contains any amount of alcoholic beverage and that is open, that has been opened, that has a broken seal, or the contents of which are partially removed.

- It's only one and I'm not drunk.
- I just found out my wife is cheating on me.
- I just lost my job.

**Does it
make the
Wrong...
Right?**

Can I justify wrong?

- **Right** - being in accordance with what is just, good, or proper; conforming to facts or truth

- **Wrong** - something wrong, immoral, or unethical, *especially* : principles, practices, or conduct contrary to justice, goodness, equity, or law; the state, position, or fact of being or doing wrong

Can I justify wrong?

- We live in a generation that believes wrong (sin) is something to be overlooked. After all, who are you to judge what I do?
- The world rationalizes that people can do wrong things for justifiable reasons.

God and wrong?

- Wrong has always been wrong, even with the rightist of reasons –
1 Samuel 15:12-23
- We need to understand that God has defined the two categories:
right and **wrong** –
- Proverbs 15:3
- Hebrews 4:12-13

Same Thing

If God has
determined it
wrong, it is
SINFUL

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- Paul warns us about making wrong, right... hoping that it will be ok – Romans 6:1-3
- Romans 3:8, Paul puts in place the absurd idea of making wrong, right –
“And why not say, let us do evil that good may come?”
- Consider the context of Paul’s writing
- Think back to Saul – 1 Sam. 15:20-22

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- We need to realize that when we commit wrong (sin), we are **lawless**, rebellious, and the Devil's personal servant - 1 John 3:4, 8

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God and wrong?

“He who covers his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.”

Proverbs 28:13

What must I do to be saved?

Acts 16:30

- **Believe in Jesus –**
John 8:24/3:16
- **Repent of Sins –**
Luke 13:3-5; Acts 2:38/7:30-31
- **Confess your Faith in Jesus –**
Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9
- **Baptism for the Remission Of Sins –**
Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38/22:16
- **Live Faithfully for life –**
Revelation 2:10; James 2:10