

Read 2 Timothy 3.12-17

- ❑ Vs. 12 What should we gather will be the outcome of living moral Christian lives? (2 answers needed here)
  
- ❑ Vs. 13 What should we expect of those around us who do not believe or follow Christ? Give some examples you have seen.
  
- ❑ Vss. 14-15 What is the key for a believer to stay on track morally in their life?
  
- ❑ Vs. 16 What is the key to following and knowing scripture is the moral code for the life of a believer?
  
- ❑ What four things does the scripture do to help a believer to stay on track morally?
  
- ❑ Vs. 17 What is the end result of following scripture?



# Daily Struggles & Modern Morals

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## Morality

(from the Latin *moralitas* "manner, character, proper behavior")  
Morality means a code of conduct which is held to be authoritative in matters of right and wrong. Morals are created by and define society, philosophy, religion, or individual conscience.

*Source: Wikipedia*

- ❑ How does a society usually define right and wrong?
  
- ❑ What are the strengths and weakness of this method of setting such standards?
  
- ❑ How are religious morals decided?
  
- ❑ How are Christian morals decided?
  
- ❑ How are individual morals or matters of conscience different from other morals?

- ❑ Why would someone have individual morals that different from those of society or their religious belief system?

**READ Genesis 39 and answer the following questions.**

- ❑ Vss. 1-6 List all the positives and negatives in Joseph's life.
- ❑ Vs. 7 What are the moral choices we see happening in this verse?
- ❑ What spiritual choice is being presented to Joseph? (What is it called when you are given a choice to sin or not to sin?)
- ❑ Vss. 8-9 How does Joseph measure his moral choices when it comes to responsibility and benefits?
- ❑ Vs. 10 How does this verse relate to living our daily lives when it comes to being a moral person?

- ❑ Vss. 14-18 What are the qualities that help form the Christian moral character? Why is each one important

Quality = Why it is Important

1. STAND FIRM =

2. TRUTH =

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- ❑ Vs. 19 What is Paul's goal for his life? How can you apply this to your life?
- ❑ Vs. 20 How has Paul's life been impacted in the negative? In the positive?

- ❑ What are the benefits of following the directions given here by Jesus and living by the moral code He set for believers?

## *Taking a Definitive Moral Stand*

*Read*

*Ephesians 6.10-20*

- ❑ Vs. 10 How does this help us when we have to make daily moral choices?
- ❑ Vs. 11 & 13 When does a person put on the armor for battle? How does this apply to the Christian and making moral choices?
- ❑ From this verse what do we as believers have in common with Joseph, Job and Jesus?
- ❑ Vs. 12 Why are these forces fighting against the Christian?
- ❑ Vs. 13 Does this verse imply that the Christian is to do nothing but to stand there and hope? What should the Christian do?
- ❑ What would have been different for Joseph if he had given in to the wife of Potiphar?
- ❑ Vs. 11-12 What did Joseph do right here? What did he do wrong?
- ❑ Vss. 13-18 What do we know about the wife from this section of scripture?
- ❑ Vss. 19-20a Why would Potiphar believe his wife instead of believing Joseph?
- ❑ Vs. 20b-21 Why did God continue to bless Joseph?
- ❑ Would it have been the same if he had given in to Potiphar's wife?
- ❑ If Joseph had given in to Potiphar's wife how could things have been even worse for him?
- ❑ Vss. 22-23 Why did the warden put so much trust in Joseph? (give at least two reasons)

**READ the following scriptures from Job and answer the following questions.**

**NOTE:** Job 1.6 and 2.1 does not say that Satan or the adversary was an angel or son of God. It says when they came before God then Satan **ALSO** came. His appearance does not imply anything except that he communicated with and before God. There is also nothing that says this presentation happened in heaven. Simply stated, Satan went to church and talked to God.

- Job 1.1-3 Why does it appear that Job feared God and shunned evil?
  
- Job 1.9-11 How did Satan view Job's situation?
  
- Job 1.20-22 How did Job respond to losing everything except four servants and his wife?
  
- Job 2.7-10 How does Job respond to physical ailments?
  
- Job 4.8 What is Job's friend Eliphaz saying here?
  
- What moral choices is Job having to make because of his loss and suffering?

**READ Matthew 5.44-48 and answer the following questions.**

- Vs. 44-45a Is there any guarantee of protection in following these directions?
  
- Vs. 45b What can we learn from this saying having also looked at Job and Joseph?
  
- Vss 46-47 How are the moral choices of the Christian to be different than those of the world? Why?
  
- Vs. 48 The world **perfect** (τέλειος *teleios*) means "having reached its end, i.e. complete or by extension perfect. How does this apply to the believer's goal of perfection as a follower of God the Father?
  
- How do our moral choices affect how we complete our Christian lives?
  
- Does being perfect remove sin? Temptation? Problems? Choices? Explain your answer.
  
- What are some of the negatives that can come from following Jesus and His moral code?