

**Too Messy**  
**Series: Loving and Loathing**  
**Sermon: Right and Wrong**  
**October 25, 2015**

1. What are some ways that people use to determine right and wrong?
  
2. Choose one of scenarios below. After reading it out loud, try to decide if what the person or people did was right or wrong?
  - A. Scenario 1: A woman is cleaning out her attic and she finds an old American flag. It is stained and tattered. It really can't be flown, and she doesn't want the flag anymore ... so she cuts it up into pieces and uses the rags to clean her bathroom. Did she do right or wrong? No problem...or big problem. And if you think she did wrong, what makes it wrong?
  - B. Scenario 2: A family's dog is killed by a car in front of their house. It was a good sized dog, and only the head was injured, so they found a recipe in a Korean cookbook and cook the dog for supper. Did they do right or wrong? No problem, or big problem! And, if they did wrong, what makes it wrong? ... It's just a dog.
  - C. Scenario 3: A brother and sister like to kiss each other on the mouth. That's it, nothing more. They just like how it feels. Is it right or wrong? No problem, or big problem... And if it's wrong, what makes it wrong?
  
3. Can you identify a decision that used to be morally wrong, but over time seems to have changed to morally right?
  
4. Is there a certain issue that you have changed your mind on, from what you used to think? What causes us to change our mind about an issue over time?
  
5. The sermon stated that we decide right and wrong in our gut by the way we feel. Then, in our mind we try to think (justify) why we feel that way. Do you make decisions that way?
  
6. The sermon listed 5 moral principles that people use to decide right and wrong. They are listed for you below. The statement was made, "We don't treat the principles as equal. We prioritize them differently and they don't always lead us to the same answer." How do you prioritize the list? Try to prioritize them from 1 (Most Important) to 5 (Least Important).
  - A. Do you no harm.
  - B. Fairness.
  - C. Loyalty.
  - D. Purity\Sanctity.
  - E. Authority\Respect.

7. Do you believe that the authority of God and his word doesn't mean as much as it used to in our society?

8. 3 options were listed as to how to decide right and wrong:

A. I make my own rules.

B. Culture makes the rules.

C. God makes the rules.

Which option have you relied on most to make your decisions?

9. What do you do when God's Word or his authority contradicts what you want to do?

10. Read 1 Corinthians 4:3-4. What do these verses say about deciding right and wrong?