

NO WAY BACK

NO FORGIVENESS?

And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebub," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons." ²⁸ "Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—

³⁰ for they were saying, "He has an unclean spirit."

Mark 3:22; 28-30

SEARED CONSCIENCE

Now the Spirit expressly says that in later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons, ² through the insincerity of liars whose consciences are seared...

1 Timothy 4:2

HARD <u>HEARTS</u>

As it is Said, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts..."

Hebrews 3:15a

THE PINNACLE OF EVIL IS WHEN WE CALL THAT WHICH IS EVIL, GOOD AND WHEN WE CALL THAT WHICH IS GOOD, EVIL.

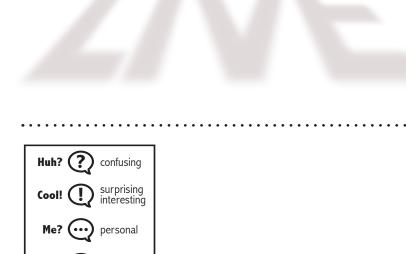
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CHOOSE GOOD

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. ¹⁰ Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. ¹¹ Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. ¹² Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. ¹³ Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody. ¹⁸ If it is possible, as far as it depends on you. live at peace with everyone. ¹⁹ Do not take revenge, my friends. but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. ²⁰ On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Romans 12:9-21

NEXT STEPS



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