

WHAT DOES YOUR CONSCIENCE SAY?

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* Purpose of sermon -- "What Does Your Conscience Say?"

*First -- Let's notice a few examples of people following their conscience

Acts 23:1 Paul -- I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day
Acts 24:16 Paul -- I do exercise myself to have a good conscience void of offence toward God and men
1 Pet. 2:19 Peter -- because of conscience toward God, one endures grief (suffering wrongfully)
1 Pet. 3:16 Peter -- having a good conscience -- even when people speak evil of you

*Second -- Let's understand that a conscience can be defiled

Titus 1:15 their conscience is defiled
Rom. 1:24 God allows people to have uncleanness in the lusts of their own heart -- God allows people to dishonor their own bodies
26-27 vile passions
28 debased mind
29-32 people who practice such things -- people who approve of such things -- worthy of death

*Third -- Let's review the 3 definitions of sin to concentrate upon a desired approach of life

1. 1 John 3:4 lawlessness -- God's law
2. James 4:17 based upon knowledge
3. Rom. 14:23 whatever is not from faith

Ezek. 33:11 turn from your way & live -- why will you die?
John 10:10 Christ came to bring abundant life
John 12:47-48 judgment based upon knowledge
1 Thes. 5:21 prove all things -- hold fast to the good
Rom. 14:22 faith is a personal matter -- happy is he that does not condemn himself in that what he does
Heb. 12:5-11 correction from God
15-17 no bitterness
Matt. 25:24-25 afraid
Phil. 3:13 forgetting the past -- reaching forward
14 pressing toward the goal -- call of God