

Standing up for what is right (getting righteously angry about sin and injustice) was something Jesus did in the temple when He literally turned the tables on the money-changers. Read the story in Mark 11 and learn how the *meek* Jesus we hear about was not a *weak* Jesus. Like Him, we too must not see sin and just look the other way.

We are surrounded every day by worldviews that do not come from God. We may hear them from people with whom we live or work. They may come from a professor or a textbook. We may just absorb them from the vast stimuli around us.

For many people, uni is the place where you feel free, perhaps for the first time, to express your opinions, to analyse the depth of your beliefs, and to explore exactly what your values are. Take the time to search your mind and heart and ask God to teach you and give you good judgment in all you do.

*Lord, teach me discernment to see the difference between right and wrong. Give me courage to change what I can, without compromise, and to bring glory to You. --CK*

## REFLECTION

- What recent changes have I seen in society's standards? Have they affected the way I think? Do my views still honour Christ?
- How can I decide what really matters and for which issues I should fight?

**A silent protest is not a protest at all.**



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### The Things That Matter

Cindy writes..During the Vietnam War, there were many emotional demonstrations against it, especially at Universities. ...

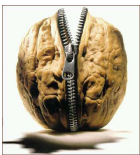
No matter which "side" people took about our involvement, the Vietnam War was a heart-wrenching time for our country. The protests demonstrated the kind of ardent passion that uni students are known for. It is an idealism and an earnestness to act on beliefs that often are in direct conflict with those of another generation.

A similar protest took place last .. year. I don't know if many of the students were followers of Jesus Christ, or if they were just decent students who were morally outraged about the hiring of a faculty member with extreme anti-life views. But they registered their disagreement.

Peter Singer, dubbed "Professor Death" by some, was hired as a bio-ethics professor. One of his beliefs, ... is that a baby's life can be ended *up to 28 days outside of his mother's body* if the child has some kind of disability. (I think this is called *infanticide*, but I wouldn't want to be judgmental or anything!)



*Peter Singer*



# Romans: Truth in a Nutshell

(unzipped for you)

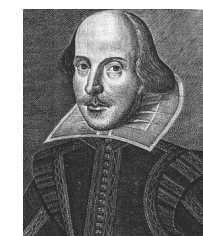
## New Testament Ethics II

How we are to live becomes obvious after considering the lists of sins in the New Testament. Five factors emerge which determine how we choose to live:

1. What we love, [last time]

2. What we \_\_\_\_\_, Romans 1:28-31

**(1 Timothy 4:1-2)** "Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, [2] speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron,"



**(Hebrews 5:12-14)** "For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food. [13] For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. [14] But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil."

**(Colossians 1:13)** "He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,"

3. What we \_\_\_\_\_, Romans 1:29-30

**(Psalms 36:4)** "He devises wickedness on his bed; He sets himself in a way that is not good; He does not abhor evil."

**(Mark 7:21-23)** "'For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, [22] "thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lewdness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness. [23] "All these evil things come from within and defile a man.'"

**(Philippians 4:8)** "Finally, brethren,

- ◆ whatever things are true,
- ◆ whatever things are noble,



- ◆ whatever things are just,
  - ◆ whatever things are pure,
  - ◆ whatever things are lovely,
  - ◆ whatever things are of good report,
- if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy; meditate on these things."

**(Colossians 2:20-23)** "Therefore, if you died with Christ from the basic principles of the world, why, as though living in the world, do you subject yourselves to regulations; [21] "Do not touch, do not taste, do not handle," [22] which all concern things which perish with the using; according to the commandments and doctrines of men? [23] These things indeed have an appearance of wisdom in self-imposed religion, false humility, and neglect of the body, but are of no value against the indulgence of the flesh."

**(2 Corinthians 10:4-5)** "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, [5] casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,"

4. What we \_\_\_\_\_, Romans 1:28-31

**(1 Timothy 1:9)** "knowing this: that the law is not made for a righteous person, but for the lawless and insubordinate, for the ungodly and for sinners, for the unholy and profane..."

**(2 Timothy 3:1-5)** "But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: [2] For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, [3] unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, [4] traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, [5] having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!"

**(Galatians 5:22-23)** "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, [23] gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law."

5. What we \_\_\_\_\_,

