

## Can You Live Consistently With Your Own World View?

### I. General principles for relating to people with other morals and beliefs.

#### A. Judge believers not unbelievers (1 Corinthians 5:9-13)

<sup>9</sup> I wrote you in my letter not to associate with immoral people; <sup>10</sup> I *did* not at all *mean* with the immoral people of this world, or with the covetous and swindlers, or with idolaters, for then you would have to go out of the world. <sup>11</sup> But actually, I wrote to you not to associate with any so-called brother if he is an immoral person, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or a swindler—not even to eat with such a one. <sup>12</sup> For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Do you not judge those who are within *the church*? <sup>13</sup> But those who are outside, God judges. REMOVE THE WICKED MAN FROM AMONG YOURSELVES.  
1 Corinthians 5:9-13 (NASB)

#### B. Be kind and gracious toward outsiders (Colossians 4:2-6)

<sup>2</sup> Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with *an attitude of* thanksgiving; <sup>3</sup> praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned; <sup>4</sup> that I may make it clear in the way I ought to speak. <sup>5</sup> Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity. <sup>6</sup> Let your speech always be with grace, *as though* seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person.  
Colossians 4:2-6 (NASB)

#### C. When truth is questioned or denied, speak the truth (2 Timothy 2:23-26)

<sup>23</sup> But refuse foolish and ignorant speculations, knowing that they produce quarrels. <sup>24</sup> The Lord's bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, able to teach, patient when wronged, <sup>25</sup> with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps God may grant them repentance leading to the knowledge of the truth, <sup>26</sup> and they may come to their senses *and escape* from the snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will.  
2 Timothy 2:23-26 (NASB)

## II. Specific Applications

A. Professing Christians who defend immorality or falsehood.

<sup>46</sup> "Why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say? Luke 6:46 (NASB)

<sup>12</sup> "I have many more things to say to you, but you cannot bear *them* now. <sup>13</sup> "But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come. <sup>14</sup> "He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose *it* to you. <sup>15</sup> "All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose *it* to you. John 16:12-15 (NASB)

B. Extended Family.

C. Workplace