

# **BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES OF CONDUCT FOR DECISION MAKING**

## **Does it slow me down spiritually?**

Hebrews 12:1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us.

## **Will it be profitable or useful? Will it control my life?**

I Corinthians 6:12 All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any.

## **Will it allow me to be a good example?**

Romans 14:13 Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumbling block or an occasion to fall in his brother's way.

## **Can I use this to spread the gospel?**

Colossians 4:5 Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time.

## **Will this help other Christians?**

I Corinthians 10:23 All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but all things edify not.

## **Does this glorify God?**

I Corinthians 10:31 Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or what so ever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

## **Can I imitate Christ in this?**

I John 2:6 He that saith he abideth in Him ought himself also to walk, even as He walked.

## **Am I doing this for revenge?**

Romans 12:19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; will pay, saith the Lord.

## **Can I demonstrate forgiveness in this?**

Matthew 18:21 Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Till seven times?  
Matthew 18:22 Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but Until seventy times seven.

## **Will this be good stewardship?**

Luke 12:43 Bless is that servant, whom his Lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

## **Will it conform me to Satan's World?**

Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

## **Can I put others before myself while doing this?**

Romans 12:10 Be kindly affectionate one to another with brotherly love; in honor preferring one another;

## **Will this help make peace with others?**

Romans 12:18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

## **Will this show my subjection to authority?**

Romans 13:1 Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.

## **Can I show Goodness to others in this?**

Galatians 6:10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

## **Does this harm God's temple in some way?**

I Corinthians 6:19 What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

## **Will this bind me to unbelievers so as to influence or weaken me?**

II Corinthians 6:14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

## **Is this free from an evil appearance?**

I Thessalonians 5:22 Abstain from all appearance of evil.

## **Am I free from lust in this?**

II Timothy 2:22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.