

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



Are ***you*** prepared for an emergency?



HALF TRUTHS

GOSPEL CLARITY IN A NOISY WORLD

**LOVE
EQUALS
AGREEMENT**

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PUZZLE**

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MEANINGLESS**

**CONTROL
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GOAL**

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**CHEAP
GRACE**

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**Christianity is not only a Transaction
Christianity is also a Transformation**



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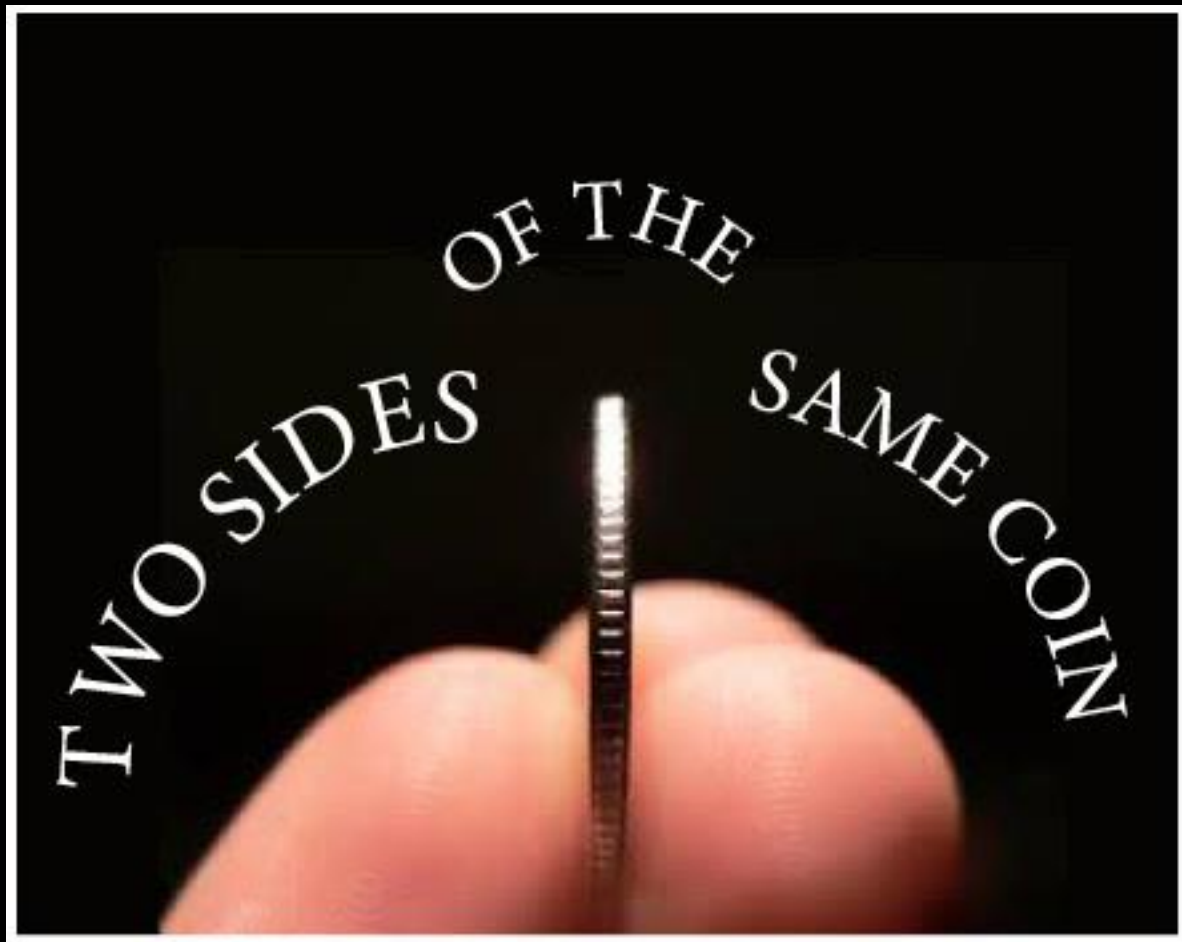
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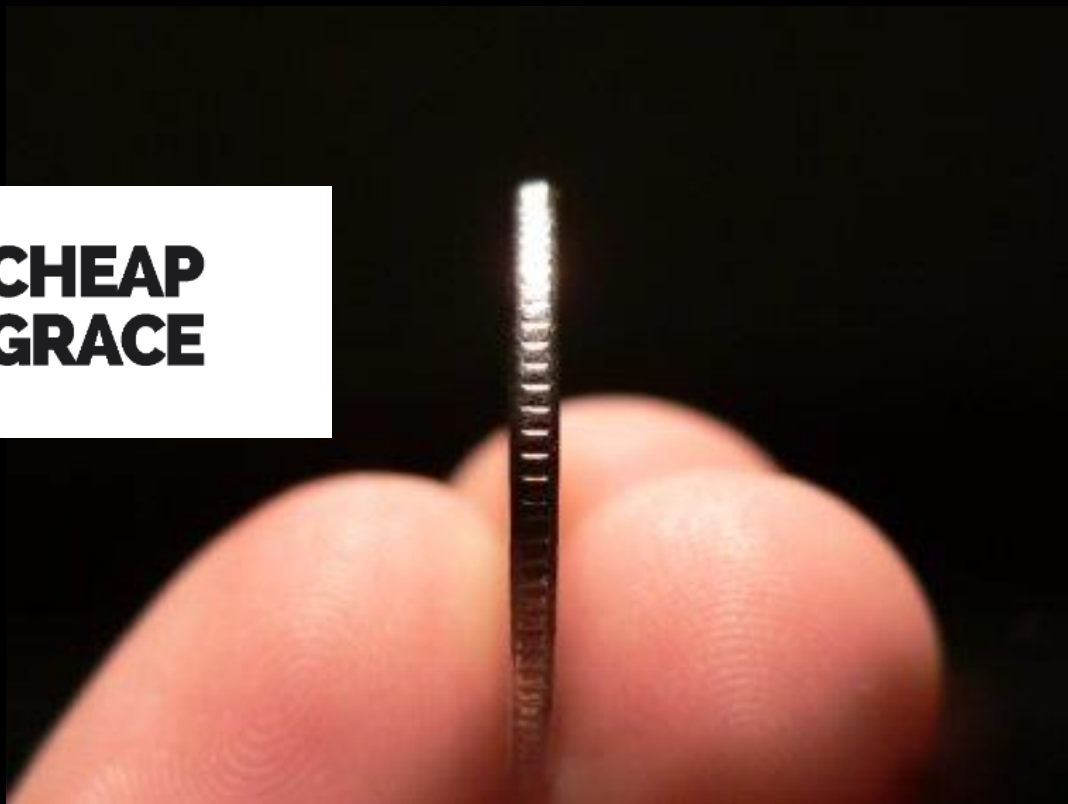


**Peace and justice
are two sides of
the same coin.**

Dwight D. Eisenhower



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By the time the book is done, we'll know exactly how to act in every conceivable situation, so as to produce a verifiably maximal amount of moral good. We will be perfect, and all our friends will be jealous. OK, not quite. Instead, we'll gain fresh, funny, inspiring wisdom on the toughest issues we face every day.



what is
perfection?



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Perfection is a condition of wholeness or purity. In many cases, this results from bringing something to its full measure, or from cleansing.

~ Adriani Milli Rodrigues, "Perfection," ed. Douglas Mangum et al.,
Lexham Theological Wordbook, Lexham Bible Reference Series
(Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2014).

1. What part of this is true?

2. What's not true here?

3. Great... How do I live, then?



TRUTH

What part of this is true?

It's a Bible Verse!!

Matthew 5:43-48

⁴³“You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ ⁴⁴But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

What part of this is true?

It's a Bible Verse!!

Matthew 5:43-48

⁴⁶If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? ⁴⁷And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? ⁴⁸Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

What part of this is true?

We were created perfect

Genesis 1:31

God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.
And there was evening, and there was morning —
the sixth day.

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Genesis 2:25

Adam and his wife were both naked,
and they felt no shame.

What part of this is true?

In Jesus Christ, you are already made holy

Hebrews 10:1-2, 10-14

¹The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming – not the realities themselves. For this reason it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship. ²Otherwise, would they not have stopped being offered?...

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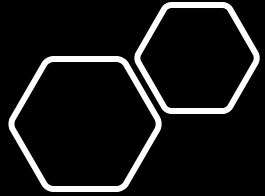
¹⁰And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. ¹¹Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.

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¹²But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God,
¹³and since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool. ¹⁴For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever



TRUE

FALSE

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What part of this is false?

We're not there yet!

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This is nuts! How can this be helpful?

Philippians 3:7-12, 16

⁷But whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—

This is nuts! How can this be helpful?

Philippians 3:7-12, 16

the righteousness that comes from God and is by faith.

¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.

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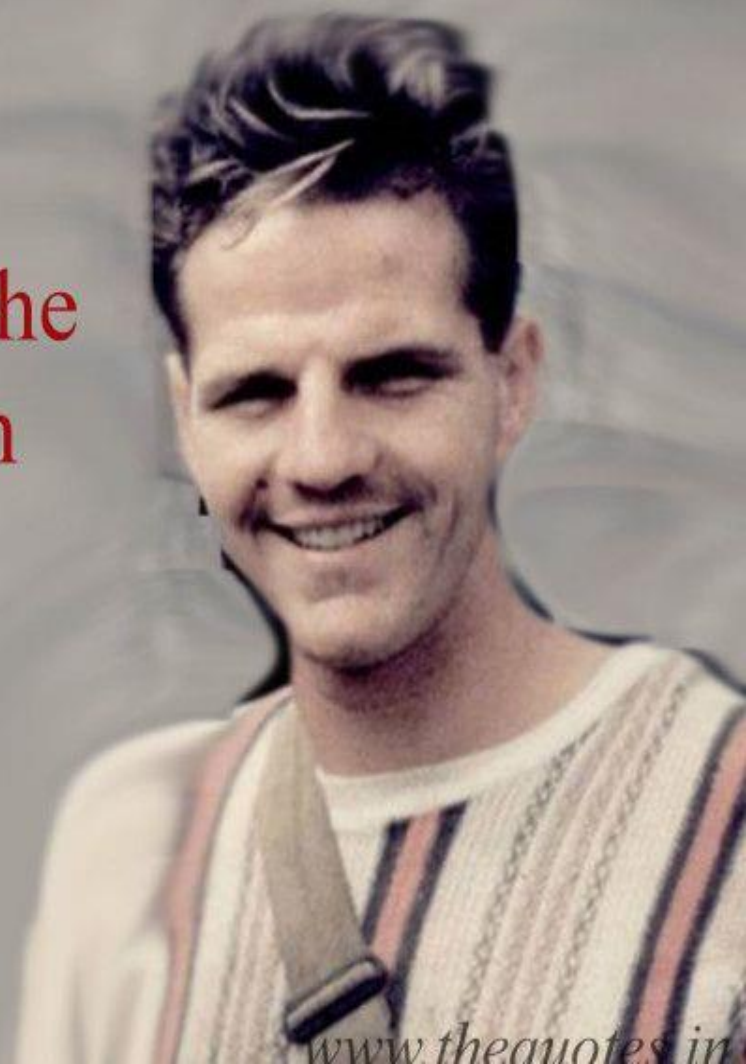
¹²Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me...

¹⁶Only let us live up to what we have already attained.



He is no fool who gives what he
cannot keep to gain that which
he cannot lose.

Jim Elliot



A scenic view of a stone building with a bell tower overlooking a valley at sunset. The sky is a mix of orange and pink, and the landscape below is dark and hazy. The text "HOW THEN SHALL WE LIVE?" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font.

HOW THEN SHALL WE
LIVE?



So, should "Being Perfect" be my
AIM?

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Yes, but ...

WHY

do I aim to be perfect?

I must be Perfect!

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1. Pride

I must be Perfect!

1. Pride
2. Legalism

I must be Perfect!

1. Pride
2. Legalism
3. Fear



perfect

a: being entirely without fault or defect : **FLAWLESS**

a perfect diamond

b: satisfying all requirements : **ACCURATE**

c: corresponding to an ideal standard or abstract concept



perfectionism

noun

: a disposition to regard anything short of **PERFECTION** as unacceptable

: the setting of unrealistically demanding goals accompanied by a disposition to regard failure to achieve them as unacceptable and a sign of personal worthlessness

PERFECTIONISM



Consequences of Perfectionism

In fact, when performed excessively, perfectionistic behavior can have an affect that is opposite of what the person intended. Perfectionists are more likely to experience decreased productivity, impaired health, troubled interpersonal relationships, and low self-esteem. Perfectionists are also vulnerable to: depression, anxiety, test anxiety, social anxiety, writer's block, obsessiveness, compulsiveness, suicidal thoughts, loneliness, impatience, frustration and anger.

University of Michigan Student Counseling and Psychological Services website:
<https://caps.umich.edu/content/consequences-perfectionism#:~:text=Perfectionists%20are%20more%20likely%20to,Anxiety>

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like God,
AND I take the
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