

## Doing Good

Let me propose that before you ever again set out to do any more “good,” consider first the idea not doing “bad.” You had never thought of that had you? You have lived your life searching out ways to do “good,” have you not? But is it not also true that in that the YOU who have sought to do “good” have done much “bad” along the way?

You must remove the ideas of good and bad as you understand them if you wish to make any spiritual progress. They are rooted only in your conditioned mind and they have little similarity to the true meaning of good and bad as Truth would have you see.

With your current idea of the two, you regularly attempt to do acts you consider to be good to cover up acts you see as bad. This has to be true, or you would never do bad to begin with. If nothing else is clear, see without doubt that you cannot control your ability to discern or carry out your good intentions for any real duration.

The man made (and false) form of doing good is also selfish. It aims only to bring security that you lack. Its chief purpose is to boost your image and to build up credit in the eyes of those around you. If you believe this to be incorrect, please make a pledge today to never again help in any way but anonymously. This will make the point clear and unavoidable.

There is another problem. You really do not know the authentic difference between good and bad. This is because in your current understanding, those two ideas are relative, ever changing and created mostly by your imagination. The wisest of men and women know that good and bad do not even really exist. You on the other hand, believe you clearly understand the difference. You have certain opinions about the matter.

In a practical sense, and in our world, the words good and bad have been pitted as opposites, when in reality they are one in the absence of the other. Much like hot and cold. Cold is the absence of heat at varying degrees. Cold is thus relative to hot, not its stark opposite. Good and bad could be seen as similar to this, good being the absence of bad.

Now however, one must know that True good, is the absolute, it is Truth. It is not man made or of man made ideas. It is found when bad is removed. And bad, in spite of its evil connotations, must also be newly understood as anything that clouds the view of the Truth.

It is important for anyone on the path of knowing the Truth to redefine these words accordingly. In doing this, the Reality of life becomes more evident and judgment, which corrupts one’s view, can be removed. You will find that considering this concept to yourself may even preclude the use of those two words in the many ways you have previously used them. You may not have any use for them at all.

If you are to make any progress with knowing anything about good and bad and how they affect your life and connection to the Truth, you will need to stop at once believing that you control either one of them through any form of human (or practical) thinking. Start wonderfully this moment with a simple prayer- "I don't know the answer to this"

If prayed with earnestness, this prayer will bring a deep understanding of what it is that you should do next. Your next step will then indeed be good- of this I have no doubt. And you will also have a better understanding of these two quite unnecessary words.

Let me end however, using these words in service of the subject.

Before you set out to do good, see instead to not do bad. When you rid your life of bad, you have already done much good.

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