

## Where's Your Line?

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Many Christians still do not quite realize that society's values today come from over thirty years of postmodern thinking. By removing God and the Bible from both the classroom and the public eye, postmodern thinking has taken off! Consequently, one of the most prevalent ideas in the realm of postmodernism is the doctrine of **moral relativism**. This doctrine *sounds* good when you hear people say, "Well, I just don't think it's right to *judge* others" or "Can't we just all *agree* to disagree?" But try openly disagreeing with one of these postmodernists and you might get your head chopped off, figuratively speaking! Why is that?

### Inconsistent Values

**Moral relativism** says that there are *no moral absolutes*. What might be "wrong" for one person, could very well be "right" for another. We see this debated in America *daily* with such issues as abortion and homosexuality. These postmodernists just don't feel right with us "judging" one another.

But dear reader, stop and think for a minute: "[Who is the most severe judge?](#)" Is it not the postmodernist who condemns Christians for daring to set a moral standard and sticking to it? The thing they hate the worst is for somebody to disagree with their **relativism** and say there is absolute moral values.

So that leads me to ask the question: "How *relative* are these postmodernists anyway?" If postmodernism solidly affirms that there are **no** moral absolutes, isn't that an **absolute**?! And if that is not an absolute, then why get angry with me and my Christian *possibility*?

### We All Draw Lines

Now realize that even the broad-minded(?) postmodernist draws a moral line *somewhere*. And as soon as he draws his line *anywhere*, his philosophy is sunk. For example, does the postmodernist defend Adolf Hitler and his murdering six million Jews? Does he defend Pol Pot, that Cambodian dictator who may be responsible for as many as three million deaths? If he defends these men, then he may be a true moral relativist. But if he says, "No, that is wrong!" then he has drawn a moral line.

Is there anything that is deemed "wrong" in our society to these postmodernists? Obviously, one of those "**wrongs**" is someone proclaiming that abortionists and homosexuals are wrong. Those of us who do not accept their relativism are scathingly denounced.

### What Is Truth?

The **Gospel of John** records this conversation between Jesus and Pilate. "*Pilate therefore said to Him, 'Are You a king then?' Jesus answered, 'You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.'* Pilate said to Him, 'What is truth?' And when he had said this, he went out again to the Jews, and said to them, 'I find no fault in Him at all.'" (Jn. 18:37-38).

Even Pilate found no fault with Jesus and His belief that He was the King of truth! He may not have agreed with Jesus, but he declared Jesus to be without fault. But Jesus **valiantly** affirms that He is the King of Truth, and that He is "*the way, the truth, and the life*" (Jn. 14:6) and that nobody can come to God except through Him. **That sounds pretty absolute to me.** The world views that as bigoted, and narrow-minded. But what if it **is** the truth?! I choose to accept a moral, spiritual standard: God and His Son Jesus Christ. Therefore, I do not have to draw lines of judgment because I let God do that for me. He is fair, just, and objective. You and I can never be. We will always have an agenda or an ulterior motive. But the almighty, omniscient God has no need to justify Himself to anyone, and thus He alone can act perfectly moral and set the standard of what is moral. Think about it!