Situational Ethics vs Standing on Principles

Psalms 1:1 – 6

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Conflicting Ideology

- When our finances are threatened
- When fitting in is more important to us
- When getting that job or new position at work are on the line
- When we just want it so badly
- When we think we are helping someone
- When we think nobody is going to get hurt



What are Situational Ethics?

- Situational ethics is also known as relativism.
- These ethics are relative to the situation one finds himself involved in.
- Based on this ethical standard each individual acts as his or her own judge of right and wrong.
- In this thought process the individual must decide the moral code.
- ✤ In this standard of ethics there can be no absolutes.

Does the Bible sanction Situational Ethics?

Rahab's lie

- ✤ Joshua 2:4 6
- ✤ Hebrews 11:31
- ✤ James 2:25
- Revelation 21:8

David and his men eat the showbread

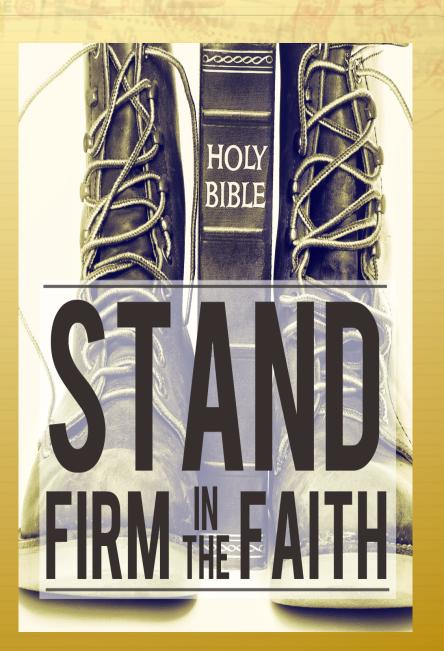
- ✤ I Samuel 21:1 6
- ✤ Matthew 12:1 8

Biblical view of Situational Ethics

- ✤ Galatians 2:11 13
- + Colossians 2:6-8
- Wrong is wrong and will always be wrong
- ✤ Hebrews 13:7 9
- ✤ Acts 17:29
- \Rightarrow Galatians 1:6 9
- ✤ Acts 17:30 31

Standing on Principles

- Ephesians 4:14
- Colossians 2:6 8
- Psalms 1:1 6
- I Corinthians 15:58





What kinds ethics do you live by?

Do your ethical principles lined up with the Gospel of Christ?