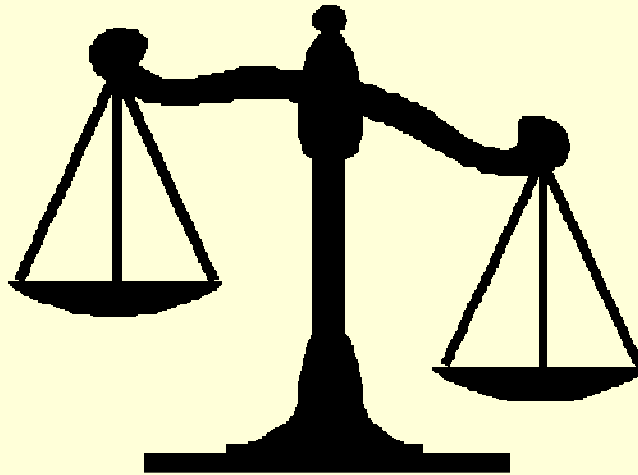


## Right or Wrong



## Right or Wrong

- Let them fight it out
- Invoke the two minute rule
- Confiscate it
- Buy another
- The answer needs to be fair, impartial, consistent
- The answer will be human – not always consistent, not always fair
- Will not always be right

## Right or Wrong

- Let them fight it out
- Invoke the two minute rule
- Distract them
- Smack the culprit saying “don't hit him”
- The answer needs to be fair, impartial, consistent
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- Will not always be right

## Right or Wrong

- September 1939 Germany invaded Poland stating that part of it was German
- 1992 Iraq invaded Kuwait stating that it was the 19<sup>th</sup> state of Iraq
- Many wars have been fought over disputed territories
- Right or Wrong? Who decides ?
- Might has been right

## Right or Wrong

- Society creates a structure of laws
- National – one for England, another for France
- International
- Courts to administer justice
- European court of justice, human rights, United nations
- Impartial, Fair?
- Right? Still human

## Potential for conflict for the Disciple?

- Laws of the land v Laws of God
- God's law – obey man's law
- God's law – pray for governments
- Clear hierarchy
- We ought to obey God rather than men
- Highest Law – love God, love one another
- God has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness...

## Potential for Conflict with Man's Law

- Sojourners and exiles (1Peter 2 v 11)
- Subject to the laws of God first
- Impartial, Consistent, Fair and Right
- Citizen of the Kingdom of God
- Preaching and Worship
- Should we continue to preach in countries where there is official opposition? Eg Kazakstan

## Potential for Conflict With the modern drift to freedom of action

- You shall not kill
- Self defence
- Take up arms
- Abortion

## Potential for Conflict With the modern drift to freedom of action

- You shall not commit adultery
- Sexual freedom
- Very good reasons for the Biblical approach
- You shall not steal
- Pirated copies of music, CDs, DVDs
- Borrowing
- It's only the office copier

## Potential for Conflict With the modern drift to freedom of action

- You shall not bear false witness
- Adverts
- Economic with the truth
- Cheque is in the post
- You shall not covet
- Basis of our consumer society
- Wanting and needing
- Lotteries

## Right or wrong – who decides

- Does not come naturally – taught
- Many societies still based on Mosaic Laws
- Bible perspective
  1. **Obey the laws of the land**
  2. **Pray for governments**
  3. **God's principles come first**
- More conflict with popular ideas
- God is the ultimate judge
- God has provided a consistent system

Right or Rong

**Check  
God's book  
Of words first**