

**Message:**  
**What Was Meant to Defeat us,  
Can Deliver Us!**  
**PART ONE**



**Scripture Text:**  
**Matthew 5 - 1 John 4 - 2 Timothy 3 - 1 Thes 5:16-18  
Phil 2:1-11 - Pr 6:17-19 - Matt 5:43-38 - Mt. 7:1-5**

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**Announcements:** Youth Camp is Coming Up, Some Family Days! Motorfest 2024

**Introduction:** We Delegitimize, Demoralize, Devalue, Divide, Demonize and use Double Standards. **This should not be!**

**1. Delegitimization: What is legitimate? People Are All Legit!**

**WE/I SHOULD:**

**DEF.** to diminish or destroy the legitimacy, prestige, or authority of  
Jeremiah 42:10 Matthew 5:1-20 (nkjv)

**Love Legitimizes: What will you DO with what you have been given?**

1 John 4:1-21

**2. Demoralization: What is moral? What God Says Is Moral!**

**WE/I SHOULD:**

**DEF.** transitive verb: to cause to turn aside or away from what is good or true or morally right : to corrupt the morals of.....

2 Timothy 3:1-17, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

**3. Devalue: Where do you find your value? Who Do You Value?**

**WE/I SHOULD:**

**DEF.** the monetary worth of something : **MARKET PRICE**

: a fair return or equivalent in goods, services, or money for something/one

: relative worth, utility, or importance, a good *value* at the price

Philippians 2:1-11, Genesis 1:27, Psalm 139:13-14, Jeremiah 1:5, Luke 12:7, 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, Ephesians 2:10, 1 Peter 2:9, Luke 6:31, Romans 12:10, Matthew 25:40, John 15:9-13, Luke 10:27

## **4. Division: Are You a divider or a unifier?**

### **WE/I SHOULD:**

**DEF.** the act or process of dividing : the state of being divided  
: one of the parts or groupings into which a whole is divided or is divisible  
: the condition or an instance of being divided in opinion or interest :  
DISAGREEMENT, DISUNITY  
: something that divides, separates, or marks off  
: the act, process, or an instance of separating or keeping apart : SEPARATION

Proverbs 6:17-19, Romans 16:17

## **5. Demonization: What is good and what is evil?**

### **WE/I SHOULD:**

**DEF.** :to portray (someone or something) as evil or as worthy of contempt or blame :  
VILIFY  
John 10:17, Matthew 5:43-48

## **6. Double Standards: What standards do you choose to live by?**

### **WE/I SHOULD:**

**DEF.** : a set of principles/rules that applies differently & usually more rigorously to one group of people or circumstances than to another  
Matthew 7:1-5, 1 John 2:1-11

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What did I LEARN most? \_\_\_\_\_

How will I LIVE out what I Learned? \_\_\_\_\_

How can I GIVE it, or help someone else with what I have learned? \_\_\_\_\_

I Choose to be a Life-Giver, This Week In This Way? \_\_\_\_\_