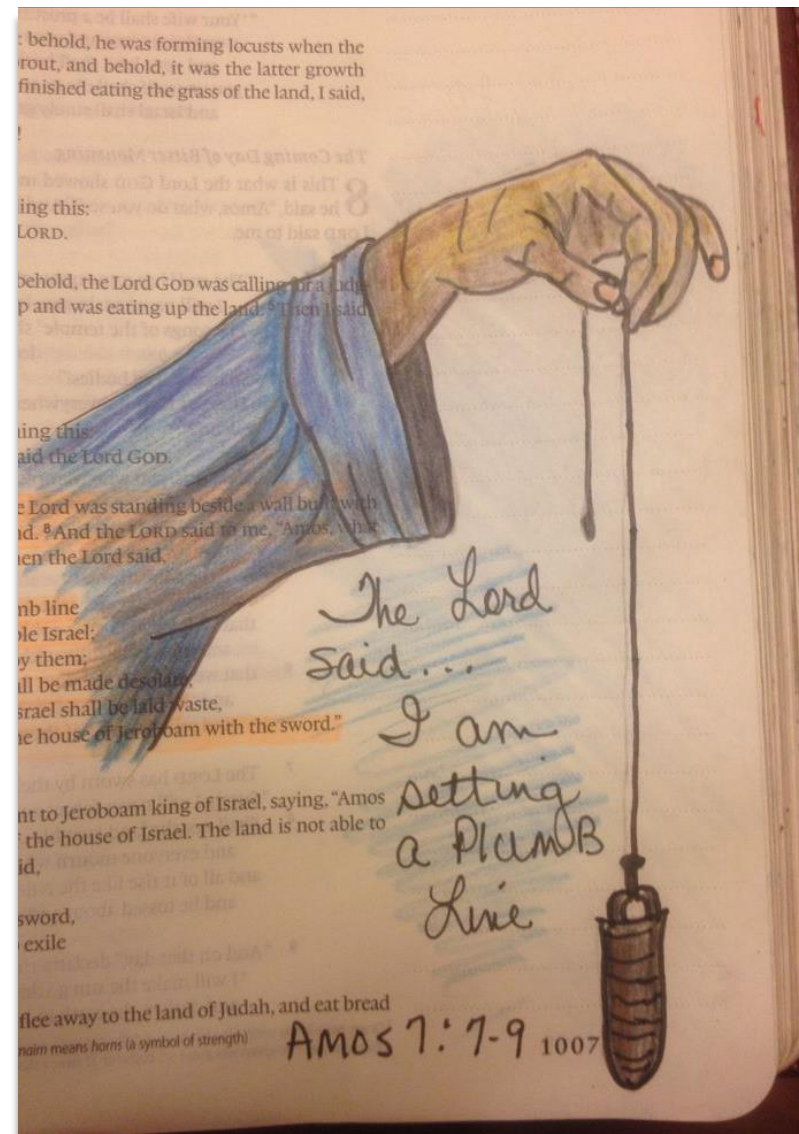



Moral Relativism

You're wrong to tell me I'm wrong!



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- ▶ What are morals?
 - ▶ What does the Authoritative Word of God say about morals?
 - ▶ What does culture say about morals?
 - ▶ R.O.A.R.

Moral

Merriam-Webster Dictionary

- ▶ **a:** of or relating to principles of right and wrong in behavior : [ETHICAL](#)
moral judgments
- ▶ **b:** expressing or teaching a [conception](#) of right behavior a *moral* poem
- ▶ **c:** conforming to a standard of right behavior took; a *moral* position on the issue though it cost him the nomination
- ▶ **d:** sanctioned by or [operative](#) on one's conscience or ethical judgment
a *moral* obligation
- ▶ **e:** capable of right and wrong action a *moral* agent

Piaget's Theory

Stage	Age Range	Description
Sensorimotor	0-2 years	Coordination of senses with motor response, sensory curiosity about the world. Language used for demands and cataloguing. Object permanence developed
Preoperational	2-7 years	Symbolic thinking, use of proper syntax and grammar to express full concepts. Imagination and intuition are strong, but complex abstract thought still difficult. Conservation developed.
Concrete Operational	7-11 years	Concepts attached to concrete situations. Time, space, and quantity are understood and can be applied, but not as independent concepts
Formal Operations	11+	Theoretical, hypothetical, and counterfactual thinking. Abstract logic and reasoning. Strategy and planning become possible. Concepts learned in one context can be applied to another.

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- ▶ 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- ▶ Colossians 3:5-10
- ▶ Ephesians 4:17-32
- ▶ Exodus 20:3-17
- ▶ Mathew 5-7



Biblical Balance

Romans 14:12-13(NLT)

Yes, each of us will give a personal account to God. So let's stop condemning each other. Decide instead to live in such a way that you will not cause another believer to stumble and fall.

Relativism

- ▶ Relative=in relation to.
- ▶ Canada is North of the United States
- ▶ C.S. Lewis says “A man does not call a line crooked unless he has some idea of a straight line. What was I comparing this universe with when I called it unjust?”

Moral Relativism and Postmodernism

“Moral relativism is the logical outworking of postmodernism. If absolute truth can't be known and all we can do is “live our truth,” then we must figure out a way to get along when your truths inevitably conflict....”

The solution is Tolerance, Co-exist, everybody must tolerate each other.

“you do you!”

R.O.A.R.

- ▶ What is true for you may not be true for me
- ▶ I am the only one who can determine my truth
- ▶ Don't force your truth on me
- ▶ Love is love
- ▶ I can break your windows if it is for what I feel is a 'moral' cause
- ▶ I Identify as/with(fill in the blank)





R.O.A.R.

Everyone Embracing Moral Relativism Will End All Conflicts

“All we do is change who is oppressed. When people’s “truths ultimately conflict (and they will), then it is the squeaky wheel that wins the argument, usually bullying everyone else into silence.”



R.O.A.R.

Truth and Compassion Are Diametrically Opposed
“Thinkers and Feelers”

R.O.A.R.

The Person Expressing Compassion Automatically Has the Moral(Relativist) High Ground.

“Often the compassionate language of tolerance *sounds* so close to the heart of Christ that we can't quite remember (or articulate) why certain sins are wrong. “

R.O.A.R.

- ✓ Acknowledge Moral Facts
- ✓ Acknowledge the Consequences of Disobeying the Moral Law
- ✓ Emphasize Legitimate Christian Freedom and Gray Areas
- ✓ Be Discerning With Christian Celebrities
- ✓ Just Because there is Christian Freedom does not mean there are no absolutes

R.O.A.R.

Younger children are still in the black-and-white stage of thinking; they are still learning right and wrong.

Help them understand the reasons behind the rules and recognize the natural consequences of not following them. (If you throw your toy, it can break)

R.O.A.R.

As kids get older they can encounter things that are sometimes right and sometimes wrong.

An example is sometimes they need to keep a secret, sometimes they need to tell an adult.

R.O.A.R.

Being honest about our own sinful past and the consequences of making poor decisions can help our children grasp and understand the moral consequences of our actions.

Question to send us out

What are some things that everyone considered wrong when you were growing up, but society is now embracing?

