

“Mama Bear Apologetics”

Chapter 9

- X. Chapter 9 - You're Wrong to Tell Me that I'm Wrong
Moral Relativism: “. . .demands everybody tolerate each other.” Yet, “. . .is very intolerant of those who are seen as intolerant.” (pgs 150-151)
- Moral relativism says what is true for you may not be true for me. Nobody can tell me what is true.
 - The debate is absolute truth vs relative truth. The debate is what absolute are you starting from - it's relative to something
 - Moral relativism is like choosing one favorite tool and using only it to solve all problems for the rest of your life. God gave us an entire toolbox because we need all of the tools.
- A. RECOGNIZE the Message:
1. What is true for you may not be true for me
 2. I am the only one who can determine my truth
 3. Making my own choices (personal autonomy) is the highest priority
 4. Don't force your truth on me
 5. Love is love
- B. OFFER Discernment: We must acknowledge how many times Christian's have abused moral authority...personal convictions are not absolute law
1. Lie #1: Total Moral Relativism is Possible
 2. Lie #2: Everyone Embracing Moral Relativism Will End All Conflicts
 3. Lie #3: Truth and Compassion Are Diametrically Opposed
 4. Lie #4: The Person Expressing Compassion Automatically Has the Moral (Relativist) High Ground
- C. ARGUE for a Healthier Approach:
1. Emphasize that nobody is a complete moral relativist
 2. Acknowledge moral facts
 3. Acknowledge the consequences of disobeying the moral law
 4. Emphasize legitimate Christian freedom and gray areas
 5. Be discerning with Christian celebrities
 6. Just because there is Christian freedom does not mean there are no absolutes