



## Choosing My Standard

Parts 1-3

### Where Have All the Values Gone?

- *Politics*
- *Business*
- *Entertainment*
- *Education*
- *Religion*

### I. THE CAUSE:

#### 3 DESTRUCTIVE PHILOSOPHIES:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

*"In those days Israel had no [authority] so the people did whatever seemed right in their own eyes."*

JUDGES 21:25 (NLT)

2. \_\_\_\_\_

*“They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and  
worshiped created things rather than the Creator.”*

ROMANS 1:25 (NIV)

3. \_\_\_\_\_

- “It doesn’t matter what you believe as long as you’re sincere.”
  - “There are no absolute truths.”

*“... They are hopelessly confused... Their closed minds are full of  
darkness; they are far away from the life of God. They don’t care  
anymore about right and wrong.”*

EPHESIANS 4:17-19 (NLT)

## II. THE COST:

*“Where there is ignorance of God, crime runs wild.”*

PROVERBS 29:18 (LB)

*“Destruction is certain for those who say that evil is good and good  
is evil; that dark is light and light is dark.”*

ISAIAH 5:20 (LB)

*“A nation without God’s guidance is a nation without order.”*

PROVERBS 29:18 (GN)

*"When the foundations of life are undermined, what can good people do?"*

PSALM 11:3 (GWT)

### III. THE CURE:

*"God shows how to distinguish right from wrong,  
how to find the right decision every time."*

PROVERBS 2:9 (LB)

*"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It straightens us out and teaches us to do what is right."*

2 TIMOTHY 3:16 (NLT)

*"God's Word is a flashlight to light the path ahead  
of me and keep me from stumbling."*

PSALM 119:105 (LB)

*"Those who listen to God's instruction will prosper;  
those who trust the Lord will be happy."*

PROVERBS 16:20 (NLT)

**A CHOICE: MY STANDARD WILL BE**