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I had someone tell me that just this morning, who also said he was "comfortable" with his way of believing and he wouldn't consider anything else, no matter what. He didn't sound like he really cared if it all was Right or not. We are to put God and His words to us, (as written in the Holy Bible) First in our lives: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness...Matthew 6:33

God said in His Word, "And thou shalt Love the Lord thy God with all thy Heart, and with all thy Soul, and with all thy Mind, and with all thy Strength: this is the First Commandment." Mark 12:30-31

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It says in Psalm 51:17, "The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God thou wilt not despise." NOTE: This means to have a heart to be led by God and not a literally "broken" heart...that is not healthy.

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"Whosoever will come to Me, let Him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and Follow Me." Luke 9:23

The Lord said, "If ye love Me, keep My Commandments." "He that hath My Commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me..." John 14:15, 21

The Commandments are:Thou shalt not worship other gods, of any kind; or money, or possessions or anything that is made, or your opinions, and certainly not another person.

Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not swear, Honour thy father and thy mother, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. Most of that is in Matthew 19:18.

Matthew 7:13-14 says, "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for Wide is the Gate, and Broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat!

"Because strait is the Gate, and Narrow is the way, which leadeth unto Life, and Few there be that find it!"

That means that most people will take the easy road, living by their own opinions and decisions, and in their Pride they will think that it is perfectly all right to do that, and that God wouldn't expect them to obey the Holy Bible, and have a Relationship with Him and that all roads lead to Heaven, in other words, the choices they make in their life are fine...that God is an understanding God and you have to be pretty bad for Jesus not to let you in. They will think that is they are a fairly decent person, and, that is all they need to be or do.

No friend, Good Deeds won't get you a ticket into Heaven and not paying attention to God's Word and living the way you think is right will not get you in, either. We need to live by God's opinion and it's written in the Holy Bible.

If we love God/Jesus we will want to love and obey Him and we will follow Him and live the way He tells us to in His Word. Please pay attention! Your Eternal Life is at stake...We need to make the right Choices now while we are still living, and not decide to do make our own Choices and live our own way, or procrastinate thinking, "there is Plenty of Time." Today may be the last day of your life! We only have One life and we can't change anything once we die. It will too late then to say, oh, I was wrong...I should have loved God and obeyed the Bible while I was living. "And it is appointed unto men once to die and after this the judgment." Hebrews 9:27  
Friend, we need to make a Choice and not put it off. Boast not of tomorrow for we know not what tomorrow will bring, the Bible says. Proverbs 27:1



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