

Relativism and Morality

Relativism has a direct affect on morality. If you start with basic assumptions about reality and those assumptions are wrong, and then you base your principles on those wrong assumptions, you are going to end up with a set of very twisted morals. Christians claim to have true reality and therefore their moral standards are correct because they come from God and God is always right. In their arguments that position everyone else's morals as being based on whatever they want to call reality and therefore right and wrong are whatever you want them to be. The presumption is that if there is no God to tell you what is right and what is wrong, then there is no right and wrong.

However - quite frankly - right and wrong are in fact completely subjective. In pure science there is no right and wrong. In pure science the universe is stars exploding and galaxies colliding and suns being sucked into black holes. Whatever happens, happens. We humans have artificially created right and wrong and it is in relation to what we need or what we want. For example, if you aren't a vegetarian, it's moral to eat cows. But suppose that cows were intelligent like us and they were the ones writing the rules of morality. Do you think cows would consider it moral for humans to eat them? I rather doubt it. To cows, we are predators who kill and eat them. From their moral perspective killing humans would be a noble deed because they are protecting themselves from predators. Our morality is based solely on what is good for us. And even if you believe it is moral to protect other species, it's only because protecting other species is good for humans.

The Church of Reality understands this concept and we have made certain choices that create the foundation of our moral code. We have decided that our existence is important to us and that we choose to explore and to understand our reality and our existence. We have chosen positive evolution over extinction. Since we are humans, the right and wrong are based on humans evolving forward and exploring reality. Whatever helps that to happen is generally good and what prevents that from happening is generally bad. From these assumptions and choices we derived the Sacred Principles and the Sacred Missions. Our moral code and the basis for civil law is a logical extension of this process.

Christian morality is totally different than the natural morality of the Church of Reality. It is based loosely on a wide variety of interpretations of the Bible. The problem with using the Bible for your moral code is that the Bible says some really bizarre and dangerous things. For example, people quote the Ten Commandments, which are from the Old Testament. But the same books that the Ten Commandments come from say that people who work on the Sabbath should be put to death. Christian morality includes a mandate to impose their religion on the entire planet and it envisions the world ending in Armageddon, what would be the extinction of the human race. They are anti-science, against free thought, and they consider doubt to be an unforgivable sin. In contrast, mass murder is a forgivable sin.

Christian moral standards prohibit free thinking.

Relativism in morality and law, especially if it is Christian relativism, is not only wrong but is dangerous. The moral standards of the Church of Reality are in direct conflict with the relativistic moral standards of pure Christianity. Fortunately, most Christians don't know what their own religion is about and don't take it that seriously. However radical Christian fundamentalists, who call themselves Dominionists, are trying to make a world wide power grab to enslave the world as they attempted to do during the Crusades. It is part of our moral mandate to ensure that never happens.