

# The Trap of An Erroneous Conclusion

The devil will always seek to lead us into confusion where he suggests a course of action that is not correct. The trap of an erroneous conclusion is his first weapon of choice. Here's an example of an erroneous conclusion with a rebuttal.

**Erroneous Conclusion:** *God cannot be trusted. He wasn't there when I needed Him. He is all-powerful, all-knowing and yet he did nothing. Trusting Him now seems pointless.*

**Rebuttal:** Blaming God when things go wrong is a clear indication that you never really put your trust in Him to start with. God is in full control of His creation. Part of that control is to allow man to have a free will to also be in full control.

When you gather thousands or even a few folks together that are all exercising their free will, things can get ugly. Some will get drunk, others will kill or steal and yet others will exercise good judgment in life. All this interaction of free wills brings on different opinions, different lifestyles and different attitudes.

If God intervenes to stop the flow of our free will decisions, He tampers with the future and denies man his right to be a free moral agent. His actions would contradict His own will and plan for mankind. Man must be free to choose his own way in order to escape a robotic existence that is not what God or man wants.

The blame really lies with the free will decisions of mankind. That's why we have so many laws. We try to govern man's free will to diminish bad decisions that cause pain and suffering among the populace.

When you put your trust in God, you surrender your free will. He now is sovereign over your life. This is a huge commitment because you now desire to do the will of God and are willing to fore-go any and all self-rule. We call this, "Making Jesus Lord" over your life.

Allowing God to be sovereign over you does not stop the evil reign of Satan or eliminate bad things from popping up in your daily routine. It does, however, give you access to divine wisdom needed to handle a situation, power to withstand the temptations of the devil, weapons to wage war against the enemies of God and an assurance of ultimate victory.

You become a partner with your sovereign in the battle of the ages. Your faith in Him is essential. Without it, you cannot please him. **Hebrews 11:6** The apostle Paul said this, "For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known." **I Cor. 13:12**

To make judgments and assign blame when you do not see clearly is wrong. Sometimes it takes more faith to believe that God knows best than to draw an erroneous conclusion that blames God for the outcome of a life situation.

Just for the record, here's what the dictionary says about the word, "**Erroneous**" wrong; incorrect: "employers sometimes make erroneous assumptions" *synonyms*: wrong · incorrect · mistaken · in error · inaccurate · untrue · false · fallacious · unsound · specious · faulty · flawed · way out · full of holes

Until Next Time

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