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Justify

We all at one time or another justify our actions to ourself even when we know it's wrong.

1Thessalonians 5:15 **See that none render evil for evil unto any man;** but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men.

A story that illustrates self justification.

A man and women got married and the women said: "you'd never hit me would you"? The man replied: "only if you hit me first".

A couple years later, there was an argument over something stupid and the wife picked up a huge heavy glass ash tray and threw it at him, It bounced off his head and fell on the floor. He went over to her and cuffed her on the back of the head, after all, he had said "if she hit him first".

You see, this was his justification, but the wife stewed on this for a few years and used this to justify her unfaithfulness with other fellows.

DO YOU GET THE POINT?

Job 9:20 **If I justify myself, mine own mouth shall condemn me:** if I say, I am perfect, it shall also prove me perverse.

Luke 16:15 **And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts:** for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

There are more atrocities committed because we justify our actions OR reactions to a circumstance, LIKE if THEY wouldn't of done that, I, or because they cheated me, I, In other words if you can convince yourself that your actions

are caused by someone or something other than your ownself, than in your own mind, your justified in your reactions.

WRONG

You are responsible for your own choices, a person spits in your face and you say, you make me so angry. WRONG again, they made you wet and YOU CHOSE to get angry.

Luke 6:27 But I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you,

When satan feeds you the lie that you are justified for your actions, remember IT'S JUST A LIE.

There is one who can justify us, not our reactions, but our lifestyle. And that is JESUS, through faith in him and accepting his ways in our daily walk.

1John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

You see being justified by Christ, means:

JUST-AS-IF-I-HAD-NEVER-SINNED

Titus 3:7 That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Acts 13:39 And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

Galatians 2:16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

**We in this life are responsible for all OUR choices,
Good or Bad.**

Good choice -is excepting Christ as your savior or
Messiah and walking in his ways, This leads to
HEAVEN.

**John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth,
and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by
me.**

Bad choice -is trying to get to heaven by being
good, justifying your actions because your so hard
done by. And excepting the lie that
everybody's doing it so it's OK., This leads to
HELL.

AGAIN YOUR CHOICE

**I trust this answers about justifying ones self.
Bro Ken**