

Matthew 7:12 So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.



Matthew 5:20 For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.



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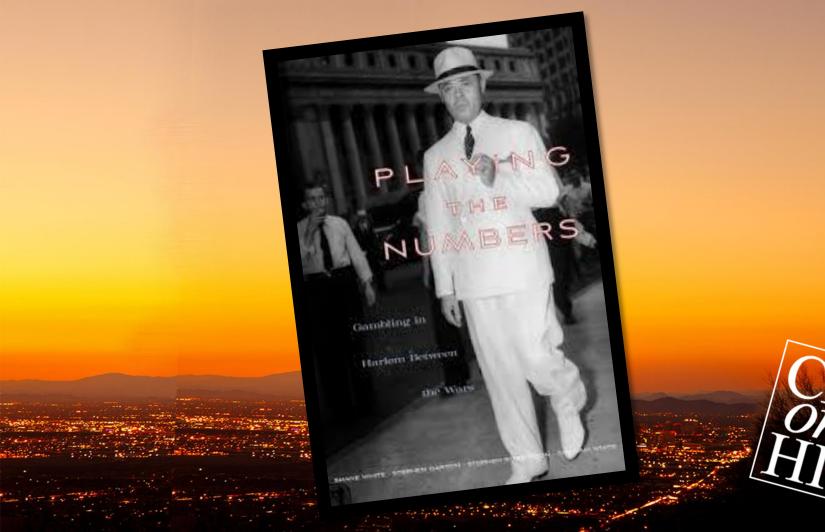
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Not everyone who <u>thinks</u> they're with Jesus really is <u>with</u> Jesus.



SCENE ONE: Two Roads

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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: 14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

KJV

Straight = uncrooked

Strait = strait jacket











Matthew 7:14

"...small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it."

John 10:9

I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved.

Matthew 7:14

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John 14:6 Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.



Acts 4:12 Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."



1 Timothy 2:5 For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,



We believe that the only ultimate truth is—there is no ultimate truth!



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Proverbs 14:12 There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.



Just because one road is more popular than the other, doesn't mean the wide path is the right choice!



And your personal opinion about truth cannot create truth any more than your sincerity can create truth.





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God doesn't do contracts; God demands surrender.



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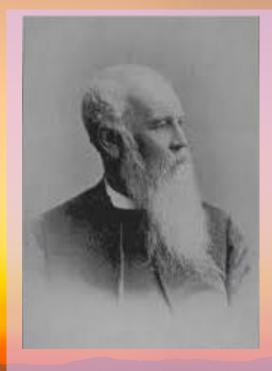
SCENE THREE: Two Trees

Matthew 7:17 - 20

Likewise every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. 18A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. 19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. 20Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them.

Matthew 16:24 Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.





"There is a common, worldly kind of Christianity in this day, which many have, and think they have enough—a cheap Christianity which offends nobody, and requires no sacrifice— which costs nothing, and is worth nothing." Bishop J. C. Ryle

I want TCC to be a place that is both BIBLICALLY SERIOUS and SPIRITUALLY POWERFUL!



GOD GAVE

EXODUS

A WAY OUT

"The Lord Himself will fight for you. Just stay calm." Exodus 14:14

Saturday Edition eight then evaluate

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I Corinthians 13:1 - 2 If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ²If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.

There is no gift that casts a big enough shadow to hide your sin from God.



SCENE THREE: Two Houses

Matthew 7:24 - 27

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. ²⁶But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ²⁷The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."

