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The Practice



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THE CARNAL MIND

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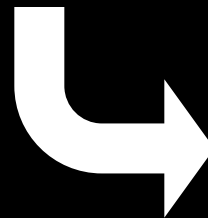
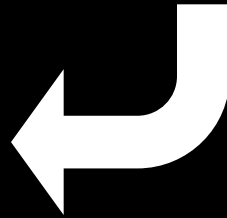
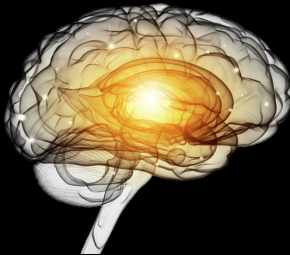
THE RENEWING OF OUR MINDS

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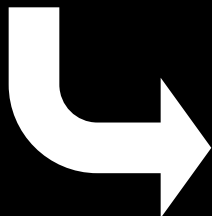
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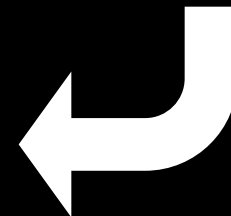
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The Power

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The Practice





“THE PRACTICE...”

“The theory is that the Truth has top priority – but every disciple knows that the **practice** is somewhat different. The theory is that we are living above the snowline, where the air is pure, the vision is clear and the spirit is exhilarated. The **practice** is that more likely we are living in the valley, where the atmosphere is sometimes murky, the children are sick, the bank manager is not as friendly as he is made out to be, and too often we are tired and frustrated.”

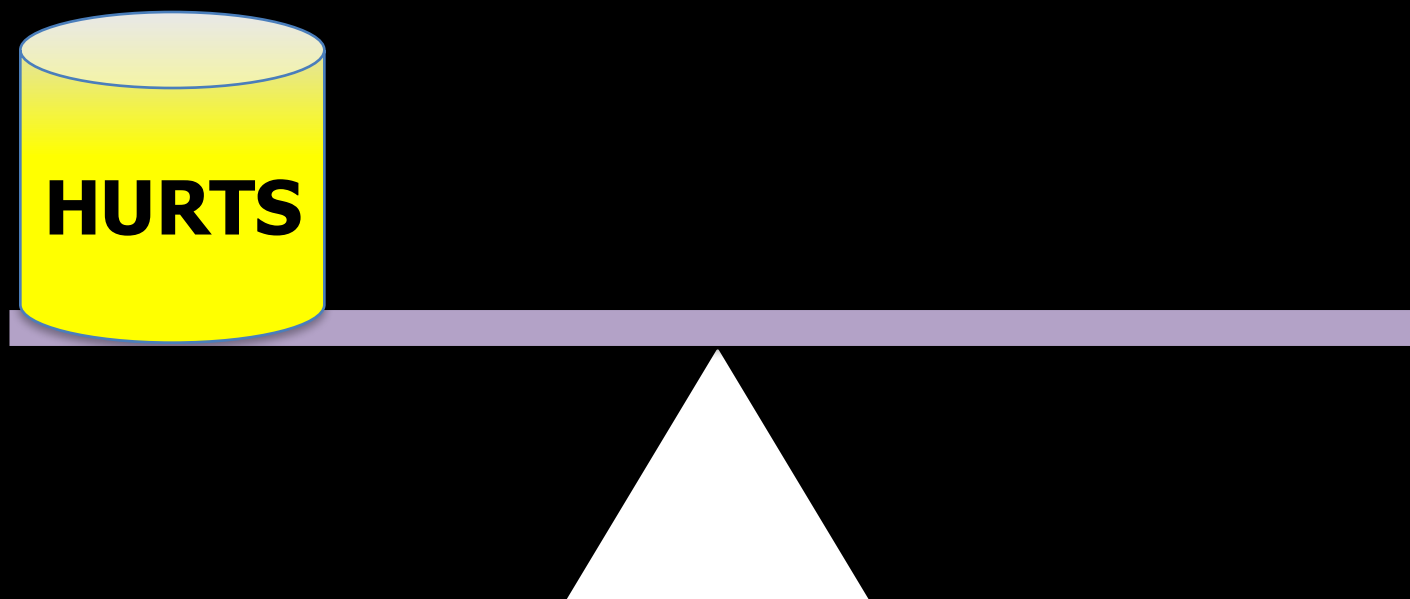
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“If life in the Truth were easy, it would not be true”

Bro L.G Sargent A Sound Mind Page 93



THE SCALES OF JUSTICE...

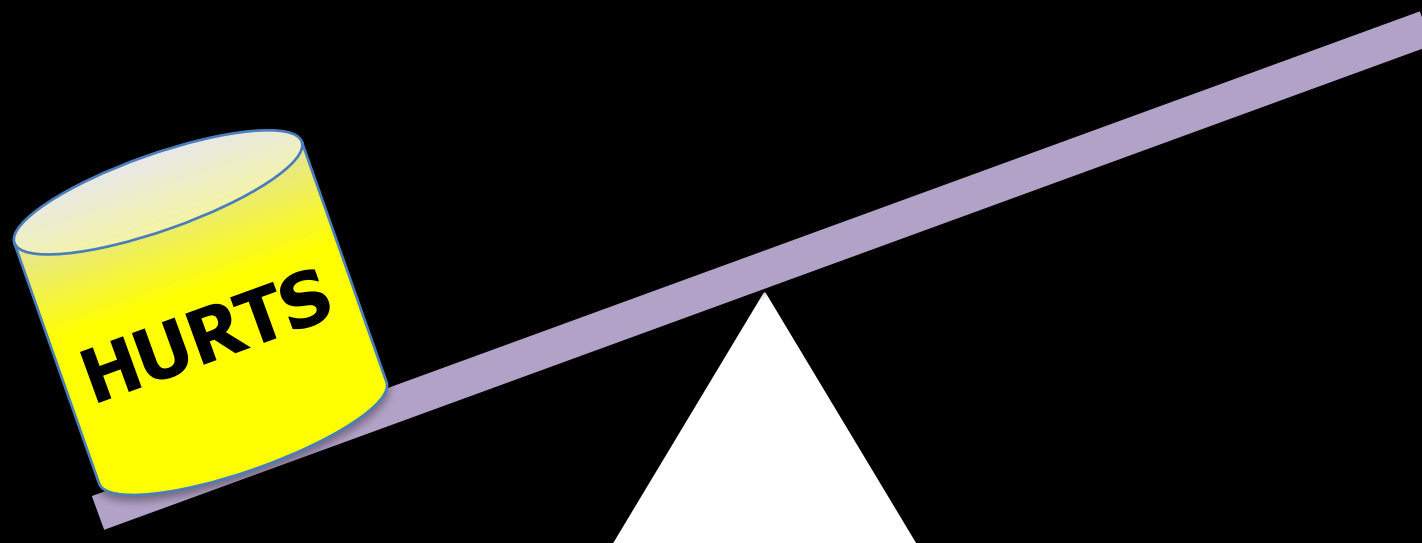


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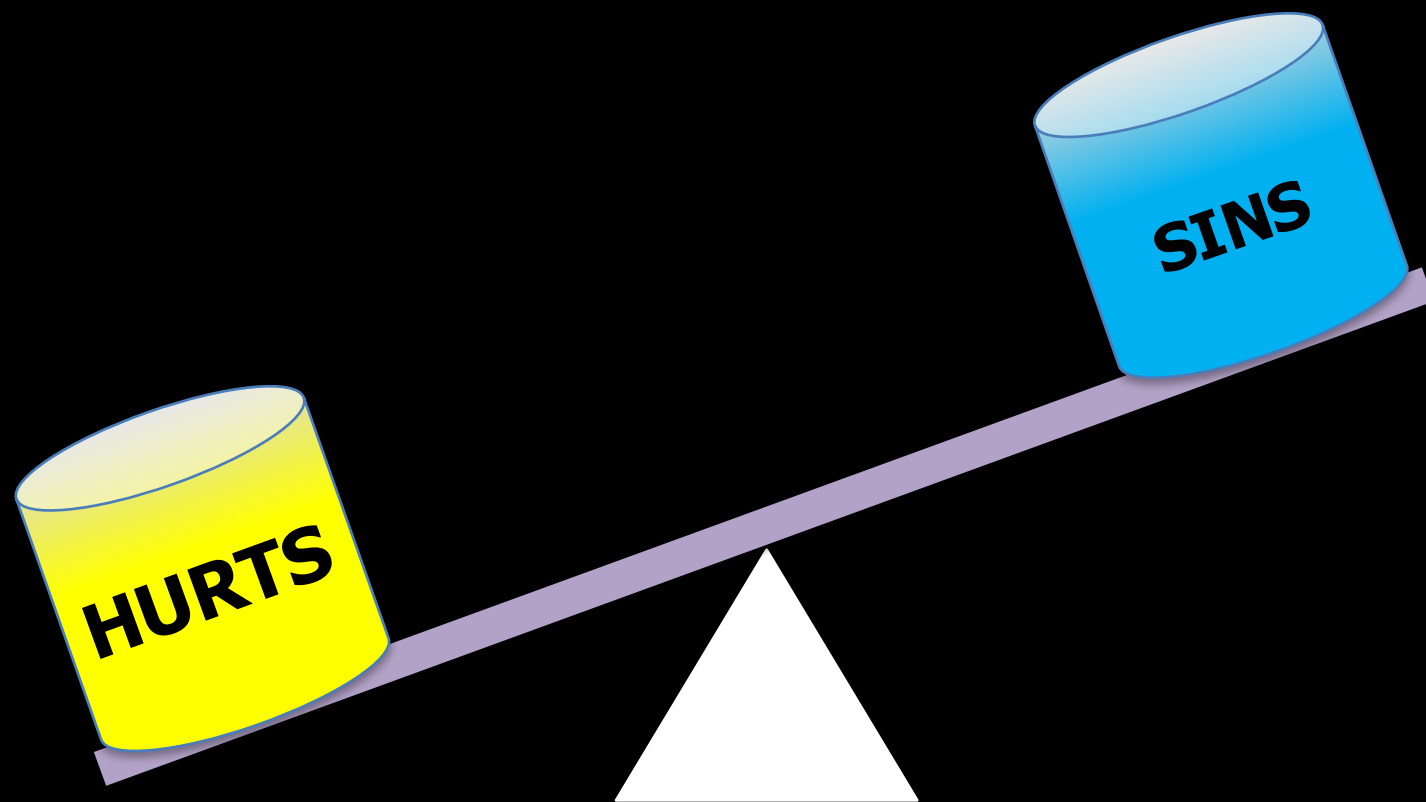


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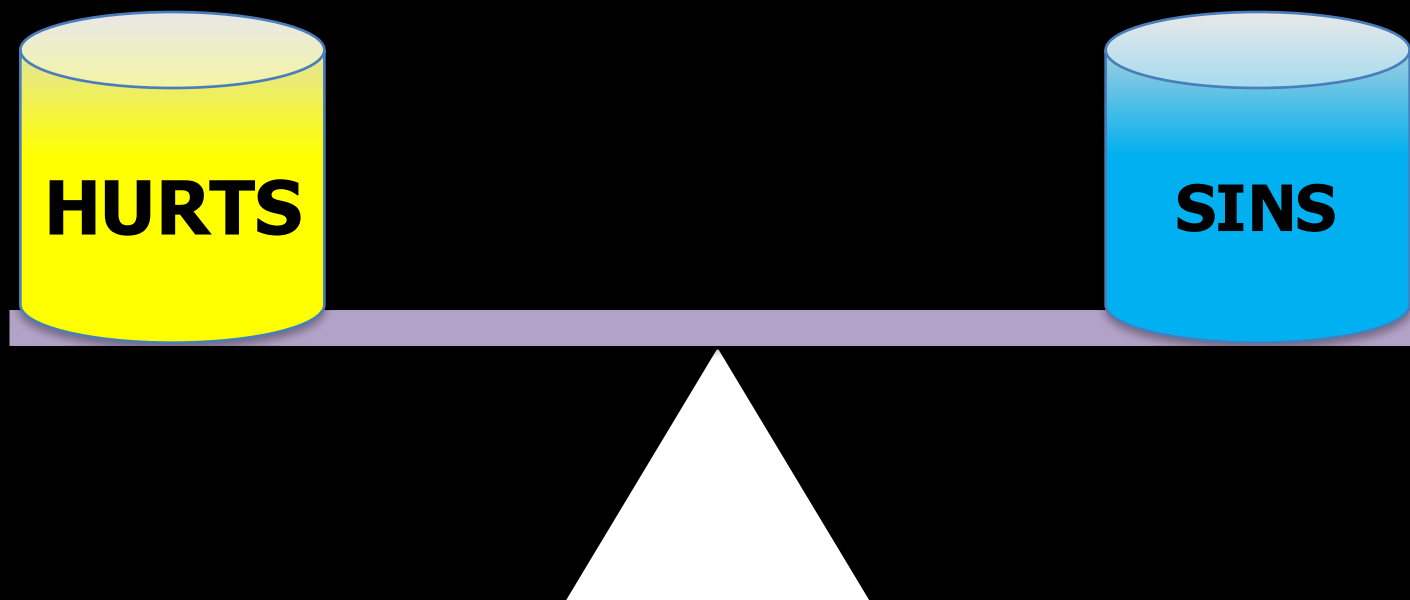


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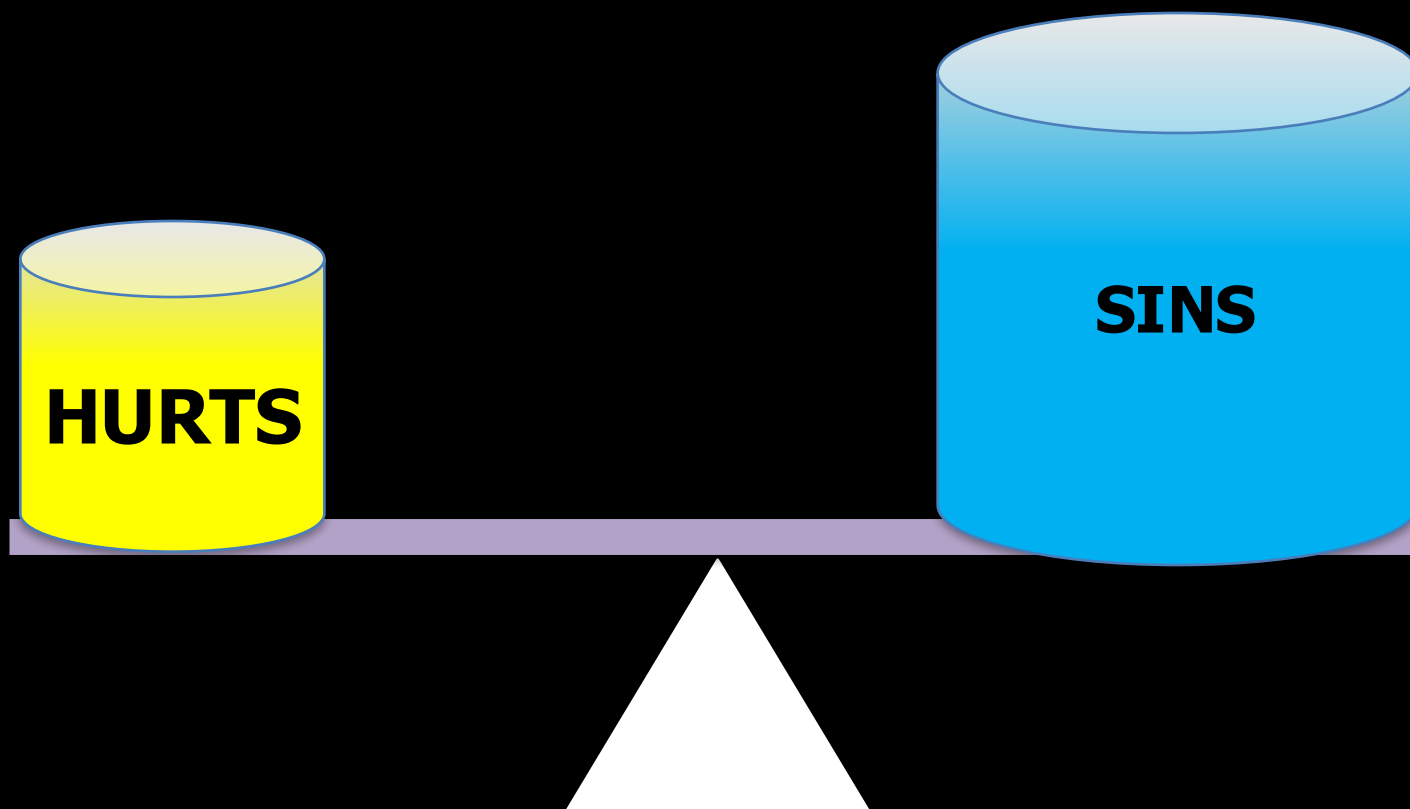


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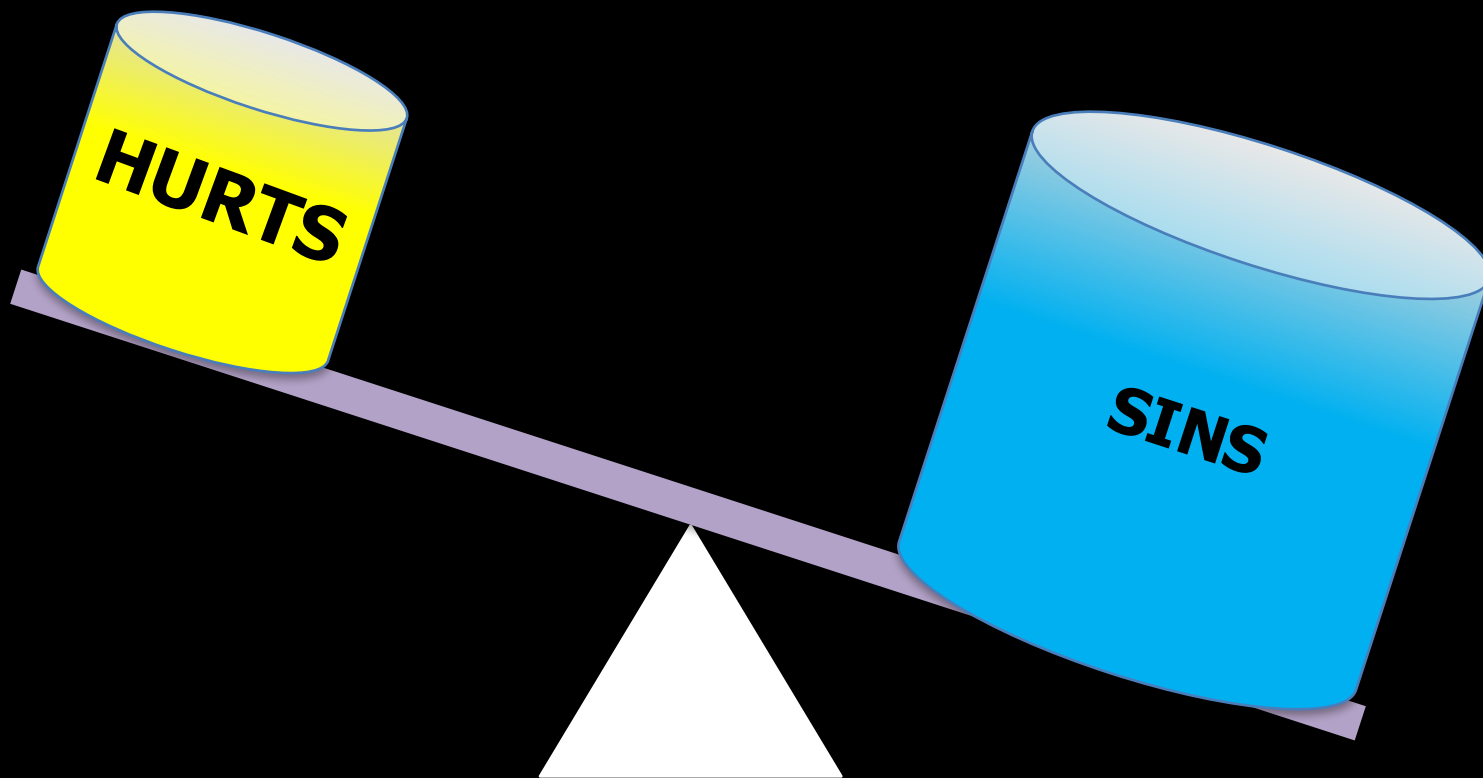


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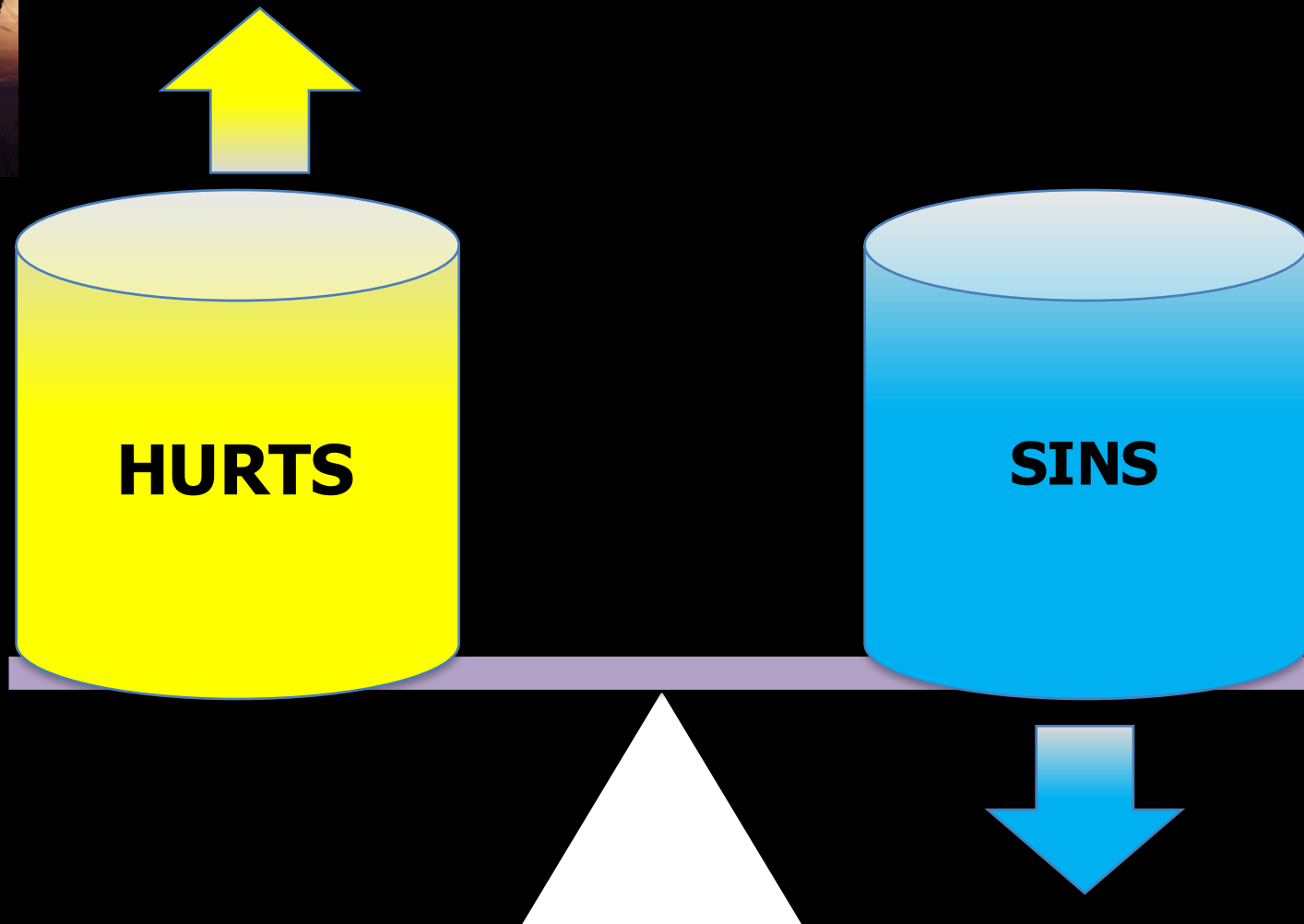


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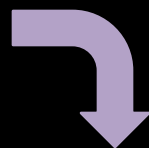
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"THE SIX SINS OF SELF..."

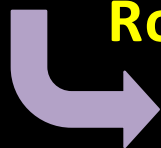
SELF DECEPTION

Galatians 6v3



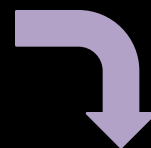
SELF IMPORTANCE

Romans 12v3



SELF JUSTIFICATION

Luke 10v29



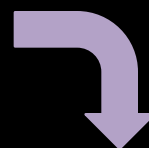
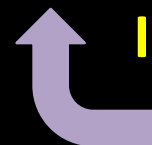
SELF RIGHTEOUSNESS

Luke 18v9



SELF GRATIFICATION

II Tim 3v1-4

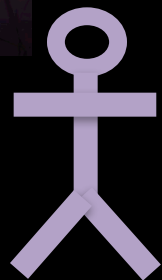


SELF PITY/LOATHING

I Sam 22v8



A "SOUND MIND"



FEEBLE-MINDED

I Thess 5v14

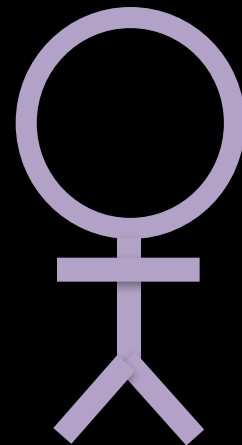
**INFERIORITY
COMPLEX**

Self-pity



SOUND-MINDED

II Tim 1v7



HIGH-MINDED

I Tim 6v17

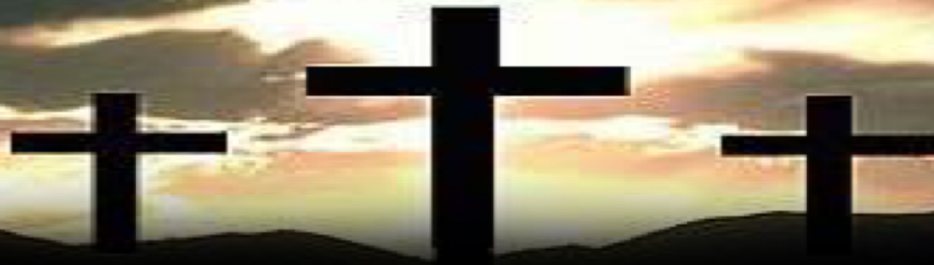
**SUPERIORITY
COMPLEX**

Self-righteousness





"THE IMPORTANCE OF BALANCE"



EXTREME

**Gnostics and
Immorality**

Liberalism

**Unconditional
Grace**

Clean flesh

SOUND-MINDED

**The Mind of Christ
(the Truth)**

EXTREME

**Judaism and
the Law**

Conservatism

**Legalism and
works**

**Atonement for
nature**



“THE EXERCISE OF THOUGHT”

“If a man makes no effort to overcome evil by the **exercise of strengthening thought**, it indicates that his desire to avoid the evil is not very sincere”

The Guiding Light Bro Islip Collyer Page 127



HABITUAL PRACTICE...

Ephesians 4v20-23

"But ye have not so **learned** Christ; If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: That ye... be **renewed in the spirit of your mind.**"

Colossians 3v2

"Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth." (Lit: "**Practice occupying your minds...**")

Hebrews 5v14, 12v11

"But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by **reason of use** (Margin: "**habit**") have their senses **exercised** to discern both good and evil."



“WE ARE WHAT WE THINK ABOUT THE MOST!”

“We are aware that many thoughts flit into the conscious mind unbidden and perhaps even undesired. They may be presented to us through the senses, or they may be thrown up from the great store of memory. We cannot prevent this fleeting presentation even of evil thoughts, but we are perfectly conscious that we are able to make our selection of which thoughts to encourage and which to reject...

The tragic truth is that most of us fail to realize properly that **thought is real**. Yet in one sense it is the only reality. It precedes and causes action, and it remains after the action is over. A man may indulge an evil thought, supposing that it is only a thought, and of no importance. **It may be only a thought, but in the final issue, it is the man himself.”**

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THE PRACTICE...DAY BY DAY...

(1) When stressed, control your breathing to settle your mind

Job 9v18, Lam 3v56, Acts 9v1

(2) Always slow down and wait till the emotions pass to make the best decision

**Prov 14v29, Neh 5v7
James 1v19**



(3) Write down feelings and thoughts for future review

II Cor 13v10

(4) Pray and meditate and peace will follow

Phil 4v6-9

(5) Keep reading and being "renewed in knowledge" and exercise the mind in spiritual things

Col 3v10, Heb 5v14



THE PRACTICE...DAY BY DAY...

(6) Always remember that while we can't control the first thought, we can control the second!

II Cor 10v5

(7) When we are wronged, don't keep record, but pray for their welfare and seek to cover their sins

I Cor 13v5, Matt 5v44, James 5v20



(8) Instead of judging others, judge ourselves: make a list of our faults and actively overcome evil with good

Rom 12v21

(9) Be quick to apologize when we fall short and be willing to take the blame

James 5v16, I Cor 6v7

(10) Forget the mistakes and successes of the past and strive only on running towards Christ!

Luke 9v59-62, Phil 3v13



“SPIRITUAL PROGRESS...”

“Every disciple, therefore, ought to be concerned about making **spiritual progress**. Sometimes the progress is imperceptible but that is not failure... To fall is not to surrender. If soldiers abandoned the fight because sometimes they were halted, no battle would ever be won. From the new position they take stock and plan the next advance. Sometimes, forward, sometimes backward, but as the sun westers they are forward from where it dawned, be the advance ever so small. So it is with the life of discipleship.”