New Morality

The flood of gross immorality deluging our land and the promotion of it by modern theologians such as Episcopal Professor Joseph Fletcher, Episcopal James A. Pike, Anglican Bishop John A. T. Robinson, and others, who promote the "new morality," or the philosophy of "situation ethics," deserve the opposition of every God-fearing Christian.

"Situation ethics" erroneously teaches that in *some* situations unmarried love is infinitely more moral than married unlove, lying is more Christian than telling the truth, stealing is better than respecting private property, no action is good or right in itself—it depends on whether it hurts or helps people; in other words, the end justifies the means.

This so-called "new morality" is nothing but immorality garbed in different terminology. This is manifestly evident to all who accept the immutability of God's standards as set forth in the Bible. "Situation ethics" is a revolt against God's law and His authority over the affairs of men.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, meeting in Annual Conference in Seattle, Washington, June 26, 1967, repudiates this "new morality" philosophy and warns all of its constituents of the dangers of this deceptive device of Satan to ensnare unsuspecting persons, especially young people.

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