

Charity's Views on God's Rules

We all frequently hear on TV statements by various clergymen quoting "God's rules" of conduct for us human beings. They believe that God has delivered to them and their predecessors a list of very important rules we must follow to please God, or he just might visit some terrible punishment upon us. This has been mentioned in explaining both natural disasters, like floods and typhoons, and terrorist attacks, like the destruction of the Twin Trade Towers in NYC.

Since Charity, the CIE who was my primary spiritual mentor, claimed to have first-hand discussions with The Creator on all aspects of her supervision of members of the human race, I asked her about The Creator's attitude on such matters and the rules of conduct He expected us to follow. She had repeatedly told me "There are no rules in Thoughtspace." By a "rule", she meant a prohibition which would apply to all individuals for all time in all situations. Thoughtspace is the realm where there is no time or distance, and all communication is by thought. The residents, such as the CIE and Essences, have no bodies, and are incapable of having or expressing human emotions. They can have such states as bliss and watchfulness, and exhibit agape love to all others.

This discussion with Charity took place in 1995. I had been reading various books by Biblical scholars at the time, but I don't remember just which ones I was referring to in these discussions.

Ralph: Why did the majority of the early Christians reject such writing as Thomas and accept other, possibly later accounts, such as Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John? Thomas appeals to people engaged in spiritual transformation but it does not answer the practical questions of potential converts who lived in and near Jewish communities scattered throughout the cities of Palestine and the imperial provinces. New converts asked questions like these: "Do you want us to fast? How shall we pray? Shall we give alms? Are believers to follow traditional practices or not?" According to the Gospel of Thomas, when disciples asked the living Jesus these very questions, he refuses to give them specific directions, answering only, "Do not tell lies, and do not do what you hate, for all things are manifest in the sight of heaven." According to Matthew and Luke, for example, Jesus specifically answers each one of these questions authoritatively and specifically, "When you pray, say 'Our Father which are in Heaven,' etc. 'When you fast, wash your face. When you give alms, do so in secret.'" The rules are laid out.

Charity: Right.

Ralph: The rules of God are stated.

Charity: Correct.

Ralph: In only the four Gospels that were published, and not in the 30 others that were not.

Charity: Correct.

Ralph: As for the cultural laws, Mark says that Jesus proclaimed all foods clean. Furthermore, Thomas says that finding the Kingdom of God requires undergoing a solitary process of self-discovery, which I think you've been trying to encourage.

Charity: Of course.

Ralph: The Gospels of the New Testament offer a far simpler message. One attains to God, not by spiritual self knowledge, but by believing in Jesus, the Messiah. Now that God has sent salvation through Christ, repent, accept baptism and forgiveness of sins, join God's people and receive salvation. That's much simpler than doing any thinking, I know.

Charity: How is that simpler? We don't understand.

Ralph: You follow somebody else's rule.

Charity: So, in other words, it turns into a cult system.

Ralph: You said that, not me. I'm saying that, going back to her other work, it was a matter of the times, and there were the Gnostics who were saying, "Look up to your Essence and listen and pay attention since that is where you are getting all the answers." Also, they could only deal with highly mature people. They could not deal with baby Essences. Obviously they were not ready for this. Now, when you're doing that, you are dealing with a small percentage of the total population. Like, with multiples, maybe 8% of the population can do that to begin with. A church can't afford to operate on only 8% of the population. They need a lot more to pay the fees to run those churches and to fill up its congregational seats in the churches. So they, the bishops, decided that we must make it easier to get into our church. So all we need to do is say, "Everybody come in here, say this little ritual, dunk your head under water, be baptized, and you can be a member." Now it's a lot easier to get a lot of people that way than to expect them to learn anything while maturing.

Charity: So, in other words, by believing in something that will take care of you humans for an eternity is a lot easier than trying to come to the realization yourself that you are what you are and you need to take care of yourself along with others. Is that not correct?

Ralph: I'm pointing out that the Gnostics were interested in personal spiritual improvement. And they spent a lot of time trying to figure out how to do this, the same as I have.

Charity: Of course you have.

Ralph: But they became part of the whole worldwide body of Christ this way. Now, that's quite an accomplishment for people who have been on the outs.

Charity: Right, we understand that.

Ralph: So that was a very practical way to go. You're not going to recruit into the church very many Gnostics because they are not going to listen to the bishop.

Charity: Right.

Ralph: They are of no use whatsoever in raising money to build a new chapel.

Charity: OK, we understand that. You understand how you can answer him?

Ralph: Not really.

[Now I go to a later part of the conversation.]

Ralph: You have the Ten Commandments her which say, "God said, 'Thou shalt not kill.'" Number One.

Charity: The Creator did not make up the Ten Commandments.

Ralph: Really. I thought that was one of our guaranteed basic set of rules.

Charity: No.

Ralph: No? Well, we had better get back and explain the Ten Commandments, then. Moses came down with his tablets and they were written there and he said they were written by God, if I remember the story correctly.

Charity: You can remember the story.

Ralph: That's all I've got.

Charity: It's a story.

Ralph: Can you enlighten me? Because that is the basic rule for our civilized Christian country. The Mohammedan countries use Mohammad's rules.

Charity: The Creator does not have rules.

Ralph: That's important. Let's clarify that. How come the en Commandments are as solid a contribution from the divine powers of the world as we have in our history? You say it is not the way The Creator tells us to do or not to do.

Charity: The Creator – there are no rules, as what you would define as rules.

Ralph: Whoa! You made your blockbuster. Now would you elaborate on that?

Charity: Elaborate on “no rules”?

Ralph: Yes. We have the Ten Commandments that are definitely a set of rules that we are told came from The Creator.

Charity: That you were told.

Ralph: Yes, that is what I am saying.

Charity: Where did the book come from that is telling you humans that this came from The Creator?

Ralph: It was a tradition that was passed on for many eras, whoever wrote the books of the Old Testament that go way, way back. I can't give you the author, obviously.

Charity: In other words, it was a human.

Ralph: It was a tradition that was passed on through many eras of the Hebrew culture.

Charity: Which is another human line.

Ralph: Obviously, we can only read books written by humans.

Charity: So this is justified as a false word. It could either be a total falsehood, or it could be a rule that you humans needed to have at that time to make their lives justifiable with other cultures. In our lives, what you call a rule is not a rule. It is a fact.

Ralph: Now we are getting to some basic accepted principles that you are calling into question. Rules of God is a basic issue of all religions.

Charity: Can you quote the Ten Commandments to us?

Ralph: Well, number one is “Thou shall not kill.”

Charity: Which is correct. You cannot – there is no justification to ever destroy another Essence.

Ralph: So I could easily say that rule is one of The Creator's rules.

Charity: It is not a rule. It is a fact. There are no rules in our realm.

Ralph: Well, I don't want to haggle over the meaning of words. But I have to represent the entire human race this way. We have a concept that is propounded to everyone everywhere, and I heard it last in that Jewish synagogue, that everybody must learn the rules of God, then when you've learned them, you must obey them all.

Charity: There are no rules of The Creator.

Ralph: You are going to make a major controversy with just that statement alone. Just to let you know, I am just pointing this out. This is another sacred cow down the tubes. I have to deal with these sacred cows. I just have to understand why you are saying this. OK? But that particular one, number one, thou shalt not kill, we consider a rule of God. That's the way it's labeled. Rule Number One. You say it is a principle to be followed. OK. Nobody had a justification for killing any other human in their lives.

Charity: Any other Essence.

Ralph: Well, I don't have the right to kill Marie.

Charity: No, you don't.

Ralph: Now, however, in our culture, everyone of those ten Commandments seems to have a list of exceptions. And one on the list of exceptions, for example, is in wartime. You train people to go out and kill other people as soldiers.

Charity: Correct.

Ralph: On both sides. That's a sample of an exception. Another exceptions is in self defense. If you are being assaulted by somebody who is sticking a knife in you, and you have a gun, you have the right to shoot him because he's sticking a knife in you, and you're defending your life. Very few people would argue about that.

Charity: But the Essences already know what's going to happen to them, so therefore it is not an exception to the rule.

Ralph: That's where it gets a little complicated.

Charity: How does it get complicated? It is a very simple, straightforward aspect that we deal with.

Ralph: I'm looking at my lesson to Marie regarding situational ethics versus legal ethics, where you get the problem.

Charity: Right.

Ralph: And a rule is part of the legal ethic. If you write out a rule, this implies there are no exceptions, and you can be punished by somebody who enforces those rules, if you break them.

Charity: But there are no rules in our realm.

Ralph: So you don't need exceptions.

Charity: There are no exceptions.

Ralph: With no rules, you don't need exceptions.

Charity: Correct, because there are no rules.

Ralph: You still have a principle to follow – the principle that the Essence must choose when this body is to die.

Charity: Correct. They know when the body is going to cease to exist.

Ralph: They know and they are the ones who would be unhappy if you put them on a life support system beyond the point that they would wish.

Charity: Correct.

Ralph: And that is where we are going overboard because, as a human doctor, if I don't put someone on life support, I can be accused of killing them and violating the first commandment.

Charity: But you are not.

Ralph: Tell that to our lawyers. They will take my license away for that.

Charity: You are following what the space in which we reside dictates.

Ralph: As I told Marie, when I was on Emergency Room duty, my Essence knew that – all the doctors and nurses know that. It is the other folks telling us how to operate who get in the way.

Charity: Correct.

Ralph: If they would leave us alone, it wouldn't be a problem. You don't have people wanting people to die quickly. You are doing everything you can to maintain them, but you are not being foolish about it. You evaluate everything right there and you make judgments. There is nothing wrong with those judgments. The Essences are all there working together. I understand that. Unfortunately, lawyers don't. Do lawyers have Essences? I'm not sure they do.

Charity: We just told you.

Ralph: I'm kidding, but it seems as if they have forgotten somehow that it's in there somewhere, because they are not using those principles at all.

Charity: We understand that.

Ralph: Now I do understand a little bit. I remember the history of the Ten Commandments. They had a new city being build there, and there was chaos and disorder. Moses was their leader, and he says, “Behave, folks. Here’s our constitution for running this place. Don’t kill anybody. Don’t steal from people. Don’t go stealing their wives.”

Charity: What are the other avenues of these Ten Commandments? You quoted one.

Ralph: Thou shalt not steal is another one.

Charity: Which means?

Ralph: Don’t take something from somebody that they own. Don’t go steal his horse.

Charity: Why should that e a commandment from The Creator?

Ralph: I’m just telling you it’s listed there as Number Two.

Charity: That does not exist.

Ralph: If the man has a horse to get around and if you steal it, he can’t get around. That’s not right.

Charity: But why should one human have something the other human does not have?

Ralph: Well, if the other human wants a horse, he should earn the money to buy the horse. Or he should ask to borrow the horse. He shouldn’t go and sneak it out in the middle of the night without permission.

Charity: What’s the difference between stealing per se and taking it without asking?

Ralph: Without permission. And therefore depriving him of something he rightfully owned in the first place.

Charity: But still there is not a commandment per se or as a rule from The Creator in our realm. We don’t take something without asking. Why would it therefore be a rule of The Creator when The Creator knows what’s – we all have the same aspects as all in our space.

Ralph: Excellent point. I’m just bringing it up as another reason why so many people get to California Men’s Colony and Avenal State Prisons, for stealing things.

Charity: That does not equate.

Ralph: That’s where we get the message that this is a no-no thing to do, and The Creator

disapproves of it, so therefore we should pass laws against it.

Charity: First of all, The Creator would not exercise that rule at all because The Creator knows what we have in Thoughtspace,; we're all the same for all of us. Therefore no rule would be passed or created by The Creator to make note of a human aspect. So that is not from The Creator.

Ralph: Well, I think you can see it is a reasonable principle for a tribe of people setting up a little town.

Charity: That would be a reasonable explanation for another human to put that as a rule, but then use it as stating, "It is not my rule," but God's or The Creator's rule. That way he enforced why that rule was written down. Therefore, as you say, it is not The Creator's rule.

Ralph: I think you are quite logical about that. I'm just pointing out that was the second one that Moses brought down to his tribe from the mountain top where he said God gave it to him.

Charity: That makes two of the Ten Commandments. What's the third?

Ralph: I don't have the book here, but I do know others – thou shalt not covet other gods before me.

Charity: Thou shalt not covet?

Ralph: There shall be no other gods but me.

Charity: The Creator does not care who or what you worship, as we have told you. Just so long as you feel comfortable in your aspect and you have your spiritual growth. The Creator does not care. Therefore, that is not another rule of The Creator.

Ralph: Well, we have that rule as being proposed by every one of those religious groups. We discussed this earlier that there were earlier times when the Romans and Greeks were worshipping a whole raft of gods. Jews, Hebrews, Israelites objected to that and said there is only one God and stop worshipping all these other Roman and Greek gods. This would enforce that.

Charity: What you are listing again is another rule that is brought down by a human that stated that you cannot do this, that there is just one thing that you can worship, and that is the only thing you can worship; that is not my law, but The Creator's. Therefore The Creator would not have said that.

Ralph: The Creator did not care if they worshiped Zeus, and those other gods the Romans had?

Charity: Just as long as it helps your spiritual growth and you listen to your Essence.

Ralph: Didn't The Creator support this change over to the one God idea which is pretty general right now?

Charity: No.

Ralph: Didn't that make a difference on how people behaved?

Charity: No. The human population is still behaving the same way.

Ralph: OK, it has not been an important factor in their improvement, which would hopefully happen, and you would want improvement over the decades.

Charity: Well, of course. But anything that will make the humans feel more comfortable in their longing and finding a way of communicating with their Essence is fine with The Creator. The Creator does not worry about how you come about with spiritual understanding or with your communication with your Essence.

Ralph: Whether or not it is something The Creator would have laid down is another issue.

Charity: As we have said, The Creator created the human population. The Creator is not going to lay down these rules of conduct to the human population. All these are done by the human population to control the population.

Ralph: Well, they've been used for that for a long time. Well, the next one beyond that is "Do not desire another man's wife; do not desire his house, his land, his slaves, his cattle, his donkeys, or anything else that he owns."

Charity: OK.

Ralph: That's next to the "do not steal" – do not want them. So I would think you would have the same reasoning as the "do not steal" issue. You are not concerning yourself with owning these things.

Charity: No, you humans are.

Ralph: A good social rule.

Charity: of course, you are going through these somewhat fast.

Ralph: I'm just trying to make sure we cover all the items, because these are all laid down as God's rules of conduct and every church goes by these things in what they preach. And then they stand up there and make you feel guilty if you have failed to follow them all. And that is a major control mechanism in our culture.

Charity: Again, it is a control feature that you humans have applied to other humans.

Ralph: That s what it says. “These are the commandments that the Lord gave to all of you when you were gathered at the mountain when you spoke with a mighty voice from the fire and from the thick clouds. He gave us these commandments and no others.” No amendments allowed, I guess. “Then he wrote them on two stone tablets and gave them to me.”

Charity: Is that not what –

Ralph: There they were, written all out on the stone tablets.

Charity: Why would The Creator want to write out something that He delegated to the human population on fixed rules? There are no rules in our realm. Why should the Creator choose to have rules for the human population? Why would He need to change the avenue of the way things are run?

Ralph: I’m looking at the setting of this, you see. Because, “Moses gives God’s laws and teachings to the people of Israel. It was after they had come out of Egypt and were in the valley east of the Jordan River, opposite of the town of Bethpore, that he gave them all these laws. This was in the territory that had belonged to King Shechan, and the Amorites, who had ruled in the town of Heshban. Moses and the people of Israel defeated him when they came out of Egypt. They occupied his land and the land of Kind Og of Basham, the other Amorite king who lived east of the Jordan.” So they came into this territory, conquered the people who lived there, and were setting up their own civilization.

Charity: Why would The Creator want to destroy another population?

Ralph: I have no answer to that. I just quoted what it said her in this holy book. That they defeated him and occupied the land, which I assume the armies got in battle, and the Israelites –

Charity: Why do they quote this?

Ralph: Because they have been told that The Creator practically hand wrote it.

Charity: Why would The Creator want to write this book?

Ralph: These were documents that were as true a version of the Israelites’ relationship to their God as existed.

Charity: This is what the humans believe and go by and live with. It makes no sense.

Ralph: You have two parts, the Old testament before Christ was born and then the New

Testament of Christ's birth on after that. What do you see?

Charity: (She reads and says "angels") First of all, The Creator would not have angels because The Creator does not identify ourselves as that.

Ralph: They are all over there.

Charity: (reading the Bible) "but if I have no love, I am but a gong, however, I am a clanging bell."

Ralph: St. Paul.

Charity: (reading the Bible) They are talking about Faith [the Spiritual Guardian CIE].. "All the faith to move mountains, so if I have no love, I am nothing." What is he trying to do here? It sound to ourselves that he is –

Ralph: The general principle is the conflict between God and Satan.

Charity: (reading the Bible) "I may give away everything I have and even give up my body to be burned, but if I have no love, it does me no good?" Why would anyone want to do that?

Ralph: I think we are talking about a formal religious sacrifice.

Charity: (reading the Bible) "Love is patient and kind, it is not jealous, or conceited or proud. Love is not ill mannered, selfish or irritable. It doesn't keep any records of wrongs. Love is not happy with evil, but is happy with truth. Love never gives up and its faith, hope and patience never fails." This just sounds like –

Ralph: Charity is the traditional phrase there: Faith, Hope and Charity.

Charity: (reading the Bible) "Love is eternal, there are inspired messages, but they are temporary. You speak in strange tongues."

Ralph: What section is that?

Charity: It looks like 1st Corinthians 13 & 14. "Faith, Hope and Love." What kind of love are they talking about? This makes no sense. It sound like The Creator gives "speaking in strange tongues" (looking at the Bible) "Meanwhile these three remain, Faith, Hope and Love, and the greatest of these is Love."

Ralph: In the original one, it was Faith, Hope and Charity.

Charity: Do humans go by this book all the time?

Ralph: Not really. I'm just pointing out that those rules that you read there are the core ten

rules of the whole religion. And you didn't care much for nine of them. Not killing was the only one that you could fully agree that would have been written on the stones.

Charity: Of course.

Ralph: All the others were social control mechanisms a government should lay down for their people.

Charity: Of course

Ralph: And that's what they have done. They take that and it becomes our criminal law. But all I can say is that the people who are Bible Toting Christians, they carry their Bible with them all the time, so they can look in a page and quote anything they want to support any idea they want to. Anywhere in here you can find a page that you can use to support any concept you want to.

Charity: Why would you want to do that?

Ralph: It's a sacred book that you can't argue with. Because God wrote it, we are told.

Charity: The Creator would not like that.

Ralph: Well, that is what all the churches teach all their members. I have to face that belief. My dad stuck pretty much to the New Testament, to things that Christ is quoted as having said. Though we have these other books here which indicate quite likely he didn't, that many of these things were made up by the writers several hundred years later.

Charity: Of course they were.

Ralph: Again, as a use of Christ as the person saying things they wanted people to hear.

Charity: It is part of the Great Deception, as we have explained.