SIX LIES WE TELL EACH OTHER

Six common sayings that are either exaggerations or completely unbiblical.

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Be yourself.

What it is supposed to mean:

“Relax, and don’t try to pretend to be something you are not.”

What error it contains:

“You don’t need to change anything about yourself.”
The lyrics don’t affect me.

What it is supposed to mean:

“Music is an art form, not a creed to learn.”

What error it contains:

“You become what you consume, including anti-biblical ideas.”
Everything is relative.

What it is supposed to mean:

“Take alternative opinions into account.”

What error it contains:

“You can compromise truth because nobody really knows anything for sure.”
Be true to yourself first. Let your conscience be your guide.

What it is supposed to mean:

“Think twice and listen to that inner voice to avoid following through on committing that sin you are contemplating.”

What error it contains:

“You can justify any action if you think about it in the right way.”
People are basically good.

What it is supposed to mean:

“Treat people with respect.”

What error it contains:

“You can’t ask people to repent and be saved.”
Question authority.

What it is supposed to mean:

“Examine and evaluate government to help improve its policies.”

What error it contains:

“Don’t let anyone tell you what to do.”
What is another example of a saying that you hear that is really anti-biblical advice?

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