conscience

an inner feeling or voice viewed as acting as a guide to the rightness or wrongness of one's behavior.

This is a God given self preservation trait that he placed within every child and adult for us to choose right from wrong.

True, a lot of these traits we are taught by our upbringing, but the basics are Gods way of guiding, leading and correcting us.

Even those that practiced cannibalism, once saved by grace, have been quoted as saying: "we knew inside ourself that it was wrong."

John 8:9* And they which heard it, being convicted by their own

conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, even unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst.

Now conviction is not condemnation, conviction – along with repentance, brings peace and joy AND is from God. <u>Revelation 3:19</u>* As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

Where as condemnation is from man and the devil, it brings hurt, bitterness and will destroy any type of joy filled life. Condemnation can be **SELF** imposed, if we are **CONVICTED** about something and will examine ourself to see if it applies to something in our actions or lifestyle, and repent, it brings peace and joy because of forgiveness

<u>Titus 1:15</u>* Unto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

<u>1Timothy 4:2</u>* Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

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The above verse says they SEAR their conscience, now this isn't something that just happens over night. It is like a person that does physical work with their hands, after several blisters their hands become callused and hard or rough but this occurs over a long period of time.

Similar to refusing to examine your self when God brings things to your attention, ESPECIALLY your conscience.

<u>2Corinthians 13:5</u>* Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the

faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how

that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

The word of God warns about churches that don't believe the bible and Gods power.

<u>2Timothy 3:5</u>* Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

<u>2Corinthians 6:17</u>* Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

The average Christian figures this is only talking about CULT assemblies, WRONG, it's also talking about your local denomination that DOES NOT believe and preach the whole gospel.

You see, we read these scriptures, 2cor 13:15, 2Tim 3:5, & 2Cor 6:17 and say, "this is the church my family always went to", They may not believe everything the bible says but it's close. I remind you that **CLOSE** only counts in a game like horseshoe and going to Heaven is not a **GAME**, it's reality. We get comfortable with sin, excuse it long enough and it's like callouses on your hands. Your well on your way to having your conscience **SEARED**, in other words when you are confronted with something that goes against what YOU want or DO, whether through conscience or something else you reject it.

JUST REMEMBER if you get the least bit uneasy or upset, the spirit you are listening to, is not the Holy spirit. Even if you feel it's totally out to lunch, it's the old man and the old sinful nature that gets upset or usually gives you the heebie-jeebies. For all those that will not truly examine themselves according to Gods word and are continually searing their conscience will end up with a reprobate mind with no escape from Hell.

<u>Romans 1:28</u>* And even as they did not like to retain God in their

knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

We are seeing more and more of this in the world today, so perhaps you will understand better as to WHY people are excepting and living an ungodly life and why the world is on the verge of the GREAT TRIBULATION. And why they will so gladly except the Beast and the false prophet.

A good example is, look how people treat Obama as a type of savior.

<u>Revelation 13:17</u>* And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

These are all with a reprobate mind.

Now those that do not receive the mark nor worship the beast (anti-christ) will be beheaded. (a Muslim tradition) <u>Revelation 20:4</u>* And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

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