



HOW DO I KNOW WHAT IS RIGHT AND WRONG?

#291 There are three guidelines that can help us distinguish good actions from bad ones:

- 1.What I do must be good:** a good intention alone is not good enough. Bank robbery is always bad, even if I commit that crime with the good intention of giving the money to poor people.
- 2.Even when what I do is truly good, if I perform a good action with a bad intention, it makes the whole action bad.** If I walk an elderly woman home and help her around the house, that is good. But if I do it while planning a later break-in, it makes the whole action something bad.
- 3.The circumstances in which someone acts can diminish his responsibility, but they cannot change at all the good or bad character of an action.** Hitting one's mother is always bad, even if the mother has previously shown the child little love.



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VENERABLE NICOLA D'ONOFRIO

Nicola D'Onofrio was born on March 24, 1943 in Italy. His parents were good hardworking religious people who transmitted a genuine religious sense of life and outstanding kindness. He entered the seminary in 1955 and had a deep love for the Eucharistic Jesus. He contracted cancer and continued his studies, even until his death in 1964 at the age of 21. Pope Francis declared his virtues heroic and he was made venerable in 2013.



VENERABLE MATT TALBOT

Talbot was born in 1856 in Dublin into a family of twelve children. His father and older brothers were alcoholics and as he grew older, he too became an alcoholic. At one point we stole a fiddle from a man in the street to buy a drink. He was destitute and no one would help him and which time he to a lifetime of sobriety. He worked to repay his debts to all he had taken from and for the fiddle he stole. He went to daily mass and even though he was poor, he gave to the poor all he could. He died in 1925 of heart failure on his way to Mass.



GOSPEL



ANSWERS

'MY SON, YOU ARE HERE WITH ME ALWAYS; EVERYTHING I HAVE IS YOURS. BUT NOW WE MUST CELEBRATE AND REJOICE, BECAUSE YOUR BROTHER WAS DEAD AND HAS COME TO LIFE AGAIN; HE WAS LOST AND HAS BEEN FOUND.'
- LUKE 15: 11-31

ANSWER IN YOUR OWN WORDS: