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Atheism**

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We should never lie except to save somebody from serious injury. Then it is only not telling the truth but it is not lying because you don't have an alternative. In other words, you are not a liar when you are forced to state as fact that which you know to be false. The truth can hurt but at least the person will know they can trust us and that is all-important and will give us a better peace of mind in the long run. To feel good about ourselves we have to be what we are seen to be. It is not silent lying when you know that a woman's husband is adulterous when she praises him and you say nothing for it only means you don't want to tell when you know it would be the wrong circumstances to tell.

We should not steal even for a greater good unless somebody will be severely hurt if we don't. Then it is not stealing for we have no choice and the concept of ownership is only for our good so the pharmacist no longer owns the injection you stole from him to save a life. Gambling for big money involves stealing off the other gamblers when temptation has taken them over. Secret stealing from a boss who has unjustly cut your wages is wrong for it is deception. What is stolen has to be returned except in the case of the boss (when you are sure that nobody knows) for then it is the deception that is wrong. Not paying a fair wage or as good a wage you can is theft. All wrongdoing must be made up for and apologised for.



PT 1 Only God

17 you need is
you!

PT 2 Only God

17a you need is
you!

18 You have a
will but it is
not free in the
religious sense

19 There is no
free will and
we don't really
want it

20 Belief in fate
is not really
that bad

21 Liberation and
guilt

22 Forgiveness in
the popular
sense is a
snare!

23 Hatred in a
spiritual
disguise

24 Probability not
possibility is
what counts

25 Using reason
correctly
means
protecting
yourself
correctly

26 There is no
God - be your
own God

27 Discard the
oppressive
God belief

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undermines
your self-
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