

to go to the Scripture and judge the Scripture according to his concept. We have to go to the Scripture and gather evidence from the Scripture and form our concept according to what the Scripture ~~about it~~ says. We can't say deception is wrong. This was deception, therefore this is wrong. We can't say that. We have to say that that which God commanded is right. That which God ~~provid~~ forbade is wrong. Let us gather our instances, see our Scripture teaching and find out from it what is right and what is wrong. Now I don't think you will find in the Scripture ~~any~~ evidence that it is the Lord's will that any time anybody else wants to do anything or wants to know anything that it is your duty to do everything you can do make it possible for them to fulfill their wicked objective.

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That is not taught in the Scripture. The word "deceit" can be so interpreted to mean that it is simply our duty to place everything at everybody else's disposal.

That is not the Scriptural teaching.

(Question) in the sense of that which is harmful and wicked. That does not apply to that case because that was specifically commanded of God that they should do it. In other words ~~when~~ you say that there is a certain amount or type of blessing that is not forbidden in the Scripture. You would gather that from that instance wouldn't you. Yes, well, then what is your next question.

(Question: Would you say that in time of war which is a type of sin that God put it in the heart of men that there is a . . . a sign that Christians should go to war. There is a very large problem which hinges on it but to some extent is different. The Scripture certainly does not forbid a Christian to take part in war because the Old Testament commands war at various times. There certainly is the general matter of war in a wicked world is not forbidden. There are times when it is certainly wrong for a Christian to engage in a war that one cannot say it is wrong in all times. There are certainly certain definite conditions under which it is right. Now when you get into one particular aspect of war that of spying, you get into a very difficult problem. I personally would find it very difficult to think that a true Christian could be a real spy. That is a spy has to do so much that is