

Good News or Fake News- Owner of \$85M Apartment in NYC Offers Trip to Space with Purchase of the apartment?

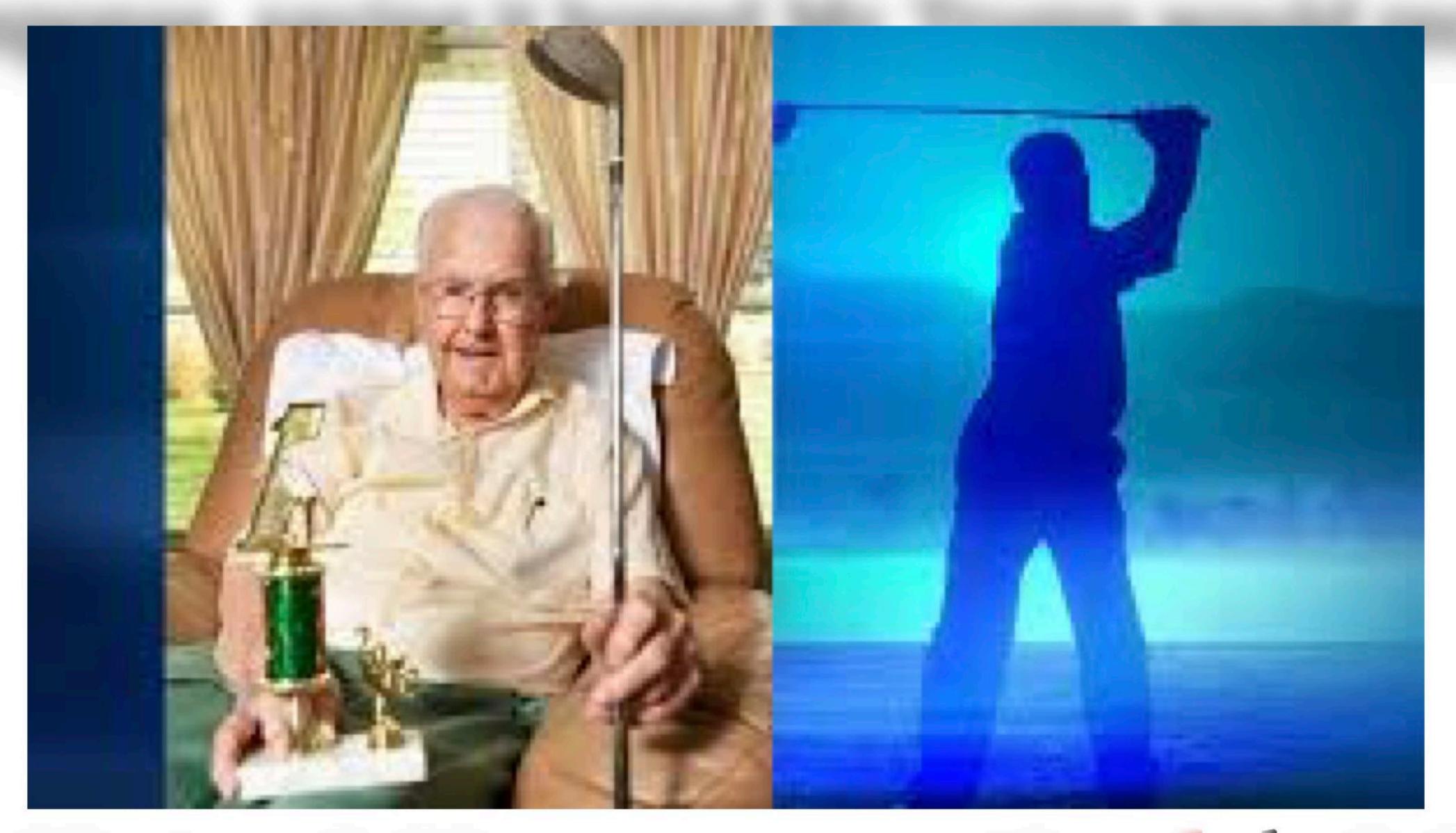




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Good News or Fake News- a 93 year old man recently recorded his first hole in one after 70 years of golf and then promptly retired from the game.





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Good News or Fake News- a Nebraska wildlife expert recently had to rescue 6 young squirrels when he found them with their tails tangled together?





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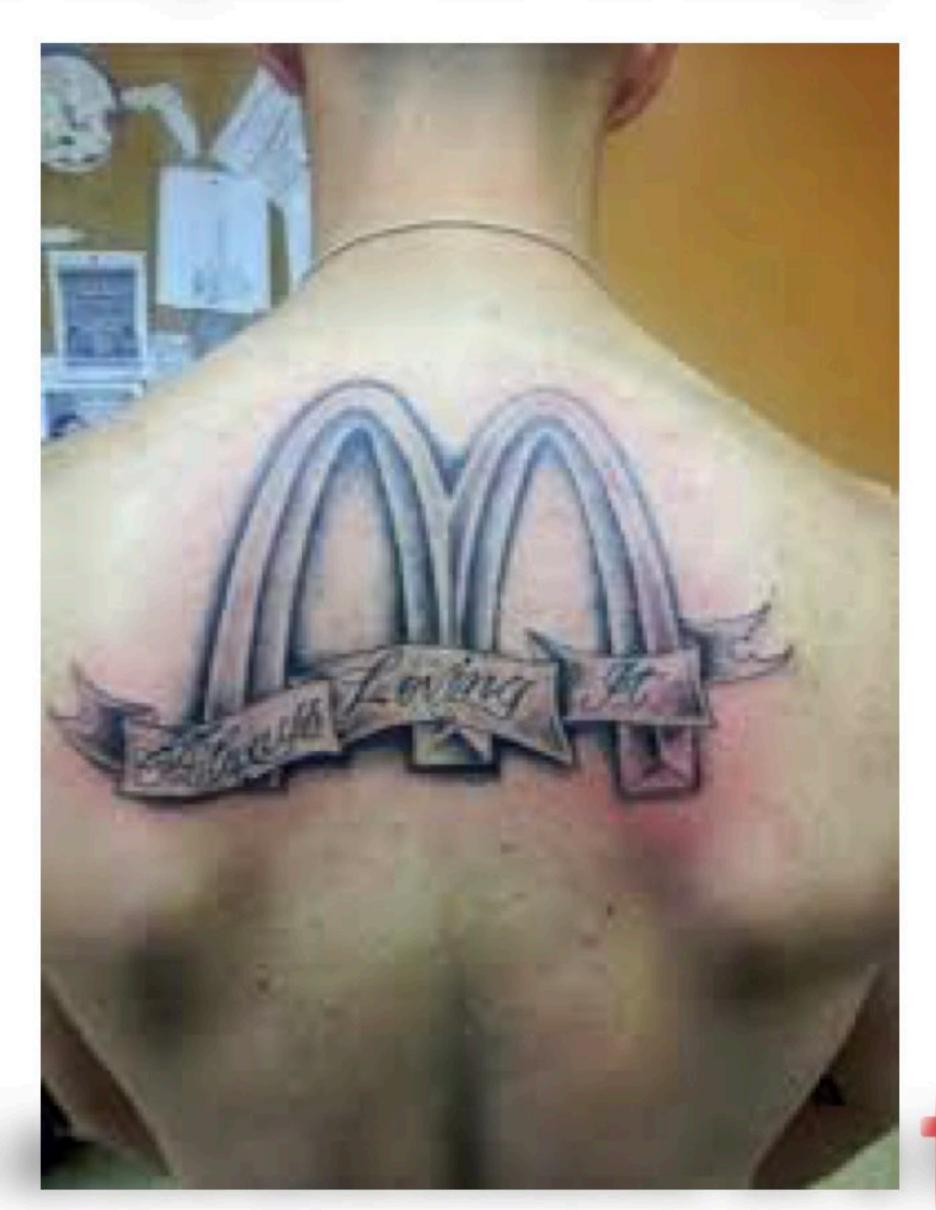
Good News or Fake News-the following restaurants will give you free food if you show them a tattoo on your body with their logo?

Get one of these logos tattooed on your arm and you'll get free food there for life. Which one you pickin'?



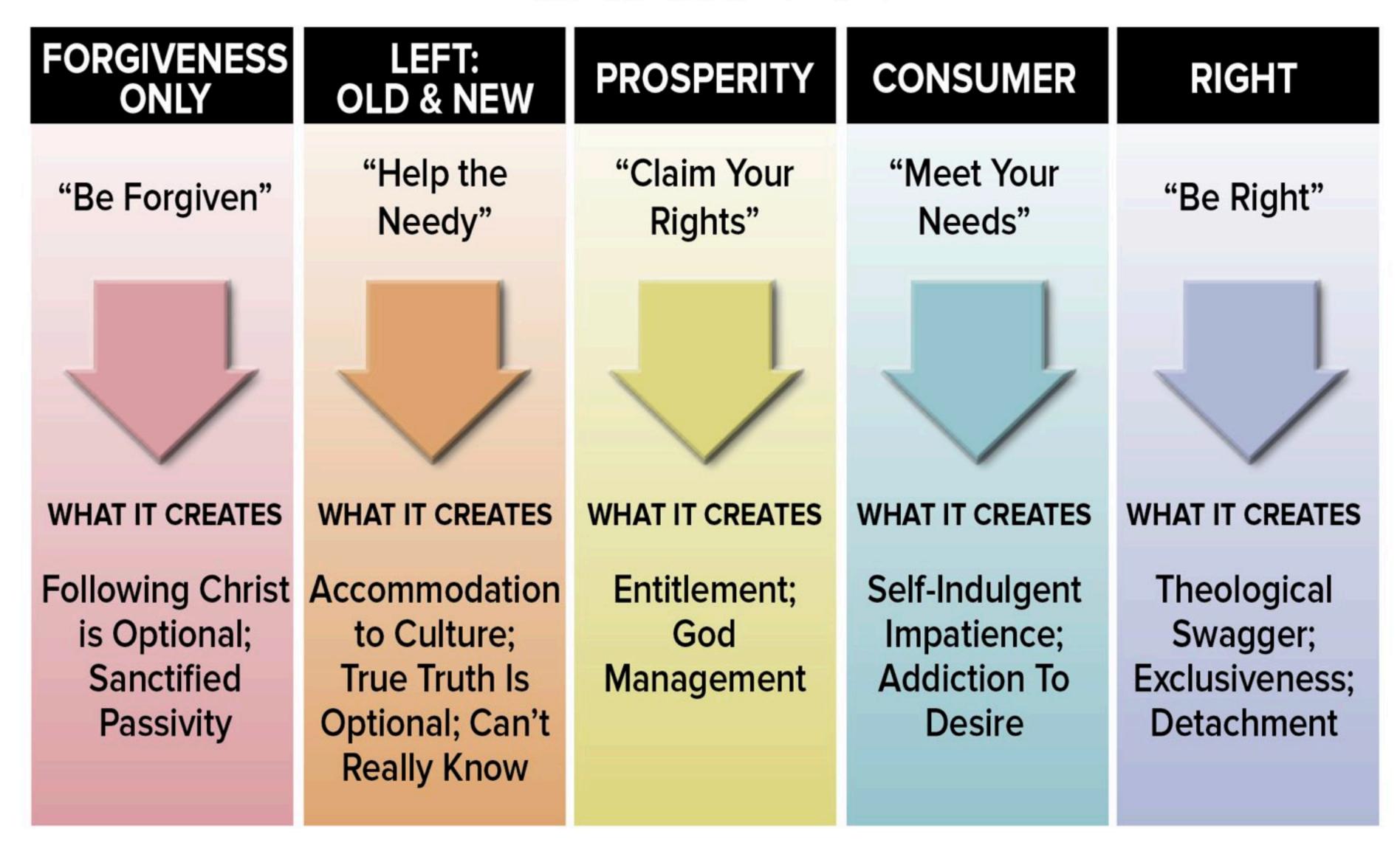


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GOSPEL



James 2:14-17

14 What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? 15 Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. 16 If one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? 17 In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.



James 2:18-20

¹⁸ But someone will say, "You have faith; I have deeds." Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds. ¹⁹ You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder.

²⁰ You foolish person, do you want evidence that faith without deeds is useless?



James 2:21-23

²¹ Was not our father Abraham considered righteous for what he did when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? 22 You see that his faith and his actions were working together, and his faith was made complete by what he did. 23 And the scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness," and he was called God's friend.



James 2:24-25

²⁴ You see that a person is considered righteous by what they do and not by faith alone. ²⁵ In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction?



Forgiveness Only Gospel

The False "Forgiveness Only" Gospel says all you have to do is Trust in Jesus to be saved and you go to heaven.



Kingdom Gospel

The Kingdom Gospel says we must Trust in Jesus as the object of our faith but also obey Jesus to really live now and for all of eternity.



Ephesians 2:8-9

"8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— 9 not by works, so that no one can boast."



Cheap Grace



Works Righteousness



Bad Definition of "Saved"

Minimal requirements for entrance into heaven = "Saved"



Good Definition of "Saved"

Saving faith comes by having a posture of total dependence, complete trust in and sacrificial obedience to God through Jesus.







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Dallas Willard

"For some time now the belief required to be saved has increasingly been regarded as a totally private act, 'just between you and the Lord.' "This gospel preaches a Christ who exists for our benefit alone. His only work is to redeem humankind without requiring any further obligation from them. This understanding tends to foster what some have called "vampire Christians." They only want a little blood from Jesus for their sins but want nothing more to do with him until heaven...



Dallas Willard

By its nature, this gospel cuts off any ongoing life in Christ because it creates a person who has confidence in heaven but no stake in living for Christ now. Tragically, when so-called Christians like this stand at heaven's gate declaring by the gospel there is no reason to keep them out, they may find there is no reason to let them in (Matt. 7: 22- 24ff)."



Martin Luther

"Faith is a living, creative, active, and powerful thing. Faith cannot help doing good works constantly. It doesn't stop to ask if good works ought to be done, but before anyone asks, it already has done them and continues to do them without ceasing. Anyone who does not do good works in this manner is an unbeliever. It is just as impossible to separate faith and works as it is to separate heat and light from fire. It cannot be done, our beliefs and actions go together."



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Genesis 22:11-13

"But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." 12He said, "Do not stretch out your hand against the lad, and do nothing to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me."
13Then Abraham raised his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him a ram caught in the thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and took the ram and offered him up for a burnt offering in the place of his son...."





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