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# Moral-Rearmament and what it stands for

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**UP** to the end of last year a band of men and women have repeatedly invited us to their homes to meet guests from various parts of the world — Canada, Germany, America, Holland and so forth, and these men and women told us how they were dedicated to the four standards "Honesty, Purity, Unselfishness and Love", which ideology they sincerely believed could change the world.

What is there which needed change in the world? Why change, when the majority of people were Christians, or follow some other creed? To believe a creed and give it lip service is different from believing a creed and living it. It stands to reason, therefore, that these men and women who so sincerely believe that a change is necessary, must have realized that Christians did not live the Christian doctrine and pagans needed to be taught the four standards for which Moral Rearmament stands.

## Interpretations

We all know that Christianity today is given all sorts of interpretations. Men stand on top of hills and shout "Repent for the kingdom of God is at hand"; others on the other hand believe, and it would appear sincerely so, that in the kingdom of God there is room for discrimination. God meant us to be divided according to the colour of our skins, that is why men have different pigmentation; some on the other hand believe that one religion is

wrong as against the other.

Moral Rearmament believes that man's salvation lies within yourself, and this you can achieve by living the four standards of Honesty, Purity, Unselfishness and Love. Start with being honest to yourself — Don't say nobody saw or nobody will know. Be absolutely sincere and honest to your conscience.

When it says **WRONG** then act as though you have done wrong, and when it says you have wronged someone else, go up to that someone and apologise, even, and especially, if it happens to be your own child. Forget that there are prerogatives for you because you are this, that or the other. In the face of God we are all of the same standard and as such, says Moral Rearmament, we must live. Never too great to apologise, neither too low to assist when there is need.

## Habit

As christians we are taught to pray to our Heavenly Father, and we are in the habit of including this and that request from the Father. At times we are so desperately in need, that we pray incessantly for that which we need and our prayers become so fervent that they almost take the form of dictating to God to give what we require, sometimes this may be for our own selfish ends.