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Socrates, a very wise philosopher, once said, "There is only one good, that is, knowledge; and there is only one evil, that is, ignorance." He was trying to say that the good in the world came from the educated and knowledgeable and that evil came from the act of not knowing, otherwise known as ignorance. Although Socrates was a brilliant and educated man, he is not completely right when it comes to this quote here, which makes me have to slightly disagree with him.

Socrates states that "there is only one good, that is, knowledge." This is not always the case as we see in such world leaders as Hitler and Stalin. There is no doubt that these men were incredibly smart in that they knew how to rally people together and make them do what they wanted. In the history books; however, no one could ever call these men good for such crimes that they did. How then can knowledge be good? In other cases are everyday life. Internet hackers and identity thieves are so highly skilled and smart yet they use these smarts for bad instead of good. Although good can come of knowledge, it doesn't always work out that way and the knowledge can be abused.

Socrates also states that "there is only one evil, that is, ignorance." Ignorance is just truly not to know. Even though some are ignorant due to such things as prejudice or racism, sometimes ignorance is not bad. The word itself has a negative connotation but it shouldn't. In the cases of children, they are ignorant of what goes on around them. They don't understand why they can live in a house while an adult is on the streets, they can't comprehend why someone can dislike another person because of the color of their skin. And they surely can't understand why someone would shoot someone else because of two colors of the rainbow. In this form of ignorance, it's more good than evil to shield these ignorant, innocent minds from evil. Ignorance isn't evil at all if used correctly.

In conclusion, knowledge does not always lead to good and lack of knowledge does not always lead to evil. Perhaps Socrates did not write this quote to be taken literally but the sad thing is, so many do. They think that because someone is educated, they are less likely to commit a crime than someone who is uneducated. That is just human nature. We need to open our eyes to the truth that there is no

black and white, there is gray. There is no one good and one evil. Everything is based on point of view and perception. The only thing that can be stated for sure is knowledge isn't always a form of good and ignorance isn't always a bad thing.