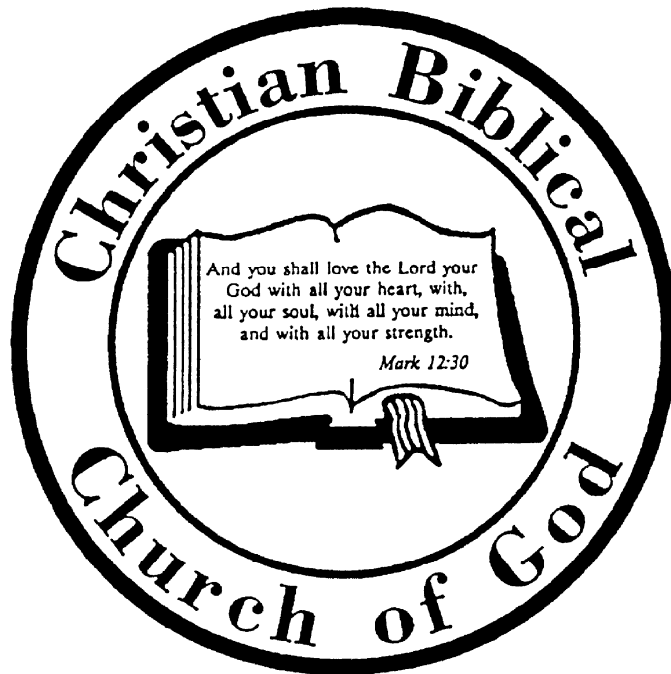


Law of Moses Without the Veil



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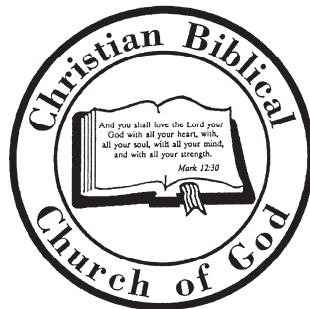
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The Law of Moses Without the Veil

Foreword

This book is a compilation of sermons that were done by Mr. Fred R. Coulter, a minister of Jesus Christ for over 50 years, on Biblical laws that were given to the Israelites after they were out of Egypt. An in-depth study of this book shows that people are either under God's authority or they are under Satan's authority. The Biblical law that were given to the Israelites were to be a protection for them so that they would not fall into sin and reap misery and heartache. The principles of the law apply today as well to mankind.

The first sermon transcript, "Law of Moses without the Veil I," is concerned with the Law of Moses and its spiritual interpretation. This transcript goes into detail regarding the freedom to understand Moses comes from a veil being removed from their minds. An example of not understanding the Sabbath Law is given that for the person without the Spirit of God resting on the Sabbath to them is nothing more than a physical period of not doing any work – of resting physically. For a person that has the veil removed, that has the Spirit of God in them, the Sabbath Law to them means not only a physical rest but a time of imbibing of God's Word and being spiritually nourished.

The second sermon transcript, "Law of Moses without the Veil II," examines what the Scriptures call the mystery of iniquity. It is shown how exceedingly necessary it is to be sanctified—and this being possible only through obedience to what the Word of God commands to be done. Spoken of also is that the physical law of unclean food or not being in close contact with unclean animals is so that the Israelites would not be unduly exposed to parasites and diseases. The same principle is in effect today as well for New Testament believers. Overall, this transcript shows that there is no way that you can divorce the Laws of God in the Old Testament from the commandments of God in the New Testament. The New Testament Covenant is the spiritual application of the Old Testament commands.

The third sermon transcript, "Law of Moses without the Veil III," is a continuation of the study of God's commandments and of how human nature refuses to recognize their validity in the letter—let alone in the spiritual application of them. Also, importantly noted is that all law-keeping cannot earn the law keeper salvation. It is a mandatory requirement, but salvation is a gift from God—it cannot be earned solely on one's own efforts without God's involvement. The transcript also shows the applications of God's Law in many circumstances in what seems to be minor things such as tattoos. And in addition, the role of demons in encouraging the growth of sin in society is explored.

The fourth sermon transcript, “Law of Moses without the Veil IV,” is a continuation of the study of the Law of Moses and how it is to be applied by a disciple of Jesus Christ. It notes that as necessary as it is to keep the Law of God, a person needs to keep in mind that it is God and not the Law, that gives eternal life. Also, to keep in mind, it is God Who gives the Spirit, not the Law.

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Law of Moses without the Veil I

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I got a letter from a woman who said, ‘God says that we are live by every word of God.’ That is true! That’s what Christ said. ‘I’m trying to do that, but I have a problem:

- What do we do about the laws concerning slavery?
- What do we do about the laws of posting the commandments of God on your doorpost?
- What do we do about the Law of God that says that you must have a blue thread in the hem of your garments?

If we’re going to live by every word of God, why don’t we do that?”

Well, we’ll find out! Let’s see how we read Moses with the veil lifted. {note sermon: *Administration of Death vs Administration of the Spirit*} The thing that is important here is that the Protestants believe that this does away with the laws and commandments of God.

What Paul is actually doing is showing the comparison between the administration of the Old Covenant with the death penalty that was given, which I covered in the sermon *Administration of Death vs Administration of the Spirit*. And the administration of spirit, which is mercy, forgiveness and things like this.

2-Corinthians 3:13: “For *we are* not like Moses, **who put a veil over his face**, so that the children of Israel could not gaze to the end upon *the glory* that is *now* being set aside.”

We’ll see how when Moses came down off the mountain the second time and his face shined and glowed because he was in the presence of God. The children of Israel were so afraid that he put a veil over his face. It was really literal and symbolic. The literal putting the veil over his face, and the symbolic that the people never really got it.

There is not one word mentioned about crossing the Red Sea from that time—that’s included in the faith—until they enter into the ‘promised land.’ So, that whole 40 years was considered a faithless period. It was with all the rebellion and everything that went on.

Verse 14: “But their minds were blinded; for to the present hour **the same veil has not been removed**...” we would have to say that the veil is over the eyes of the Protestants.

“...*but* remains at the reading of the Old Covenant; **which veil is removed in Christ**” (v 14). So, if you were in Christ then that veil is removed,

which means that when you read the Old Testament you will be able to understand the spiritual significance of the things that Moses gave.

Verse 15: “For to this day, when Moses is read, **the veil lies upon their hearts**. But when *their hearts* turn to *the Lord*, the veil is taken away” (vs 15-16). This is a spiritual operation, circumcision of the heart.

Verse 17: “Now, the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of *the Lord is*, there *is* freedom.” The *King James* says liberty, and most Protestants take that to mean *liberty to live without the laws and commandments of God*. However, it doesn’t mean that at all. It means *freedom to understand Moses, because the veil has been removed!*

Verse 18: “But we all, with uncovered faces beholding the glory of *the Lord* as in a mirror... [we have direct access to God the Father and Jesus Christ] ...are being transformed *into* the same image from glory to glory, even as by *the Spirit of the Lord*.”

Verse 6: “Who also made us competent *as* ministers of *the New Covenant*; not of *the letter*, **but of the Spirit**...” Let’s understand that the Spirit also includes the letter, because he letter comes from the Spirit. That’s why we observed the Sabbath from sundown to sundown, according to the letter; that tells us the time.

But we observe it spiritually, with the Spirit of God, and we look upon the day, not as a day of rest solely to rest our physical bodies, **but a day in which to be nourished spiritually and to be taught of God through His Word, which is the spiritual aspect of it**.

{Note book: *Code of Jewish Law* by Ganzfried & Goldin} If you have never read this book you will never understand what Paul means by *works of law*. What the Jews tried to do with the letter was they tried to encircle the Law of Moses with so many laws that people would be so busy thinking on how to do these laws that they couldn’t transgress the Law of Moses.

If you read the very first opening paragraph of *Code of Jewish Law* you will see the whole tenor of it is very negative. It brings out the point, as it says here:

“...for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life” (v 6).

To use an example that one of our members, who attended Imperial Schools {former school by WCG} years ago, had a teacher that was a pretty

good teacher, but if you didn't get a certain grade, then you got a paddling. *The letter of the law is painful!* He's going after the wrong end!

How do people learn? *By being inspired and wanting to learn!* So, it should have been the teacher's responsibility to inspire the students to want to learn, because you can't 'beat the alphabet' through their bottom into their brain! It doesn't work.

It's exactly the same way with the laws and commandments of God. They have to be defined, but then the reason for them is a spiritual understanding behind it. "...**for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life**"

Let's see how we are to worship God. Read in *The Holy Bible in Its Original Order, A Faithful Version*:

- Appendix H: How Did Jesus Fulfill the Law and the Prophets
- Appendix I: A Comparison Between the Old and New Covenants

The comparison shows that everything that was physical, everything that was ritual when it was set aside—because Christ brought the spiritual meaning—it was replaced with something greater:

- circumcision of the flesh *became* circumcision of the heart
- obeying in the letter *became* obeying in the spirit
- animal sacrifices and rituals at the temple, *became* the sacrifice of Christ and our High Priest in heaven above at the right hand of God the Father

These are important, because we have two warnings:

1. a warning in the Old Testament that says you shall not add to or take away, nor go to the right hand or the left hand
2. in the book of Revelation we have the same thing; that any man who adds to the words of this book, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book, which includes the whole Bible; and if anyone takes away, God will take away his name out of the Book of Life

So, because no man can add to or take from: Who is the only One Who can add to or take from? *God!* That's why Christ came as God manifested in the flesh. That's why when you read the account of the woman at the well and what Christ told her and instructed her in John 4.

One of the things in the Old Testament it says is, 'You shall go to place that God set His name,' which was Jerusalem. Now then, the

Samaritan said, 'No, you don't go to Jerusalem, you go to Mt. Gerizim, to our temple. That's what this is talking about here:

John 4:19: "The woman said to Him, 'Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet.... [because He said that she had five husbands] ...Our fathers worshiped in this mountain, but you say that the place where it is obligatory to worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you shall neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem worship the Father. You do not know what you worship. We know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews.'" (vs 19-22)—meaning *out of the Jews*; it doesn't mean that it is Judaism.

When people say that Jesus was a Jew, it is kind of misleading, because though He was of the tribe of Judah, the Son of David, the son of Abraham, He was not a practitioner of Judaism. I've got a book at home *Jesus, the Jewish Rabbi*.

Verse 23: "But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in Spirit and in Truth..." It's interesting; if it had just said 'when the worshippers shall worship the Father'; this says "...when the **true** worshipers..."; which tells us that there are false worshippers, and plenty there be with that.

"...for the Father is indeed seeking those who worship Him in this manner. God *is* Spirit, and those who worship Him **must**... [obligatory] ...worship in Spirit and in Truth" (vs 23-24). What happens when the veil is lifted? *When you read Moses it gives you understanding!*

A study needs to be done in Genesis to show that all the commandments of God were in force before Mt. Sinai. The reason is because a lot of people actually believe that God did not give His laws until He gave them at Mt. Sinai. Therefore, since you have all this time without Law, now that Moses is done away, then we go back to no Law, which is a perverted lawless grace.

The thing that summarizes the whole situation concerning the Old Testament, which we know and will read it into the record here: Why God gave the blessing to Isaac that He had given to Abraham. This is a very profound verse, because you have out of Abraham coming the physical seed and the spiritual seed.

Was Abraham saved by grace? *Yes, he was!* *He believed God and it was imputed to him for righteousness*, which in that case means *in right standing with God!* So, this tells us a great deal, and even though we are saved by grace, we do not have permission to sin. We have an obligation to keep the commandments of God. That's why this verse is profound and important:

Genesis 26:5: “**Because Abraham obeyed My voice**... [that’s a primary thing] ...and kept My charge, My commandments, My statutes, and My laws.”

Since God is ‘the same yesterday, today and forever,’ do you think God would have given different commandments to Abraham than he gave to the descendants of Abraham? *Of course not! They’re the same!*

Let’s see how everything hinges on the Ten Commandments; absolutely everything hinges on the Ten Commandments. That’s why when you first prove from Scripture that the Ten Commandments were in effect and in force before Moses, then you understand that when God gave the Ten Commandments to them, he was reintroducing them to His laws and commandments, because being in Egypt they lost it all. Who’s religion were they practicing while there were there? *Egyptian religion!*

Had to be because what happened when Moses didn’t come down off the mountain. They said, ‘Aaron, make us gods.’ What did they make? *The golden calf, with the sun-disk in the middle of it, and that’s the ‘religion’ of Egypt, as well as many other pagan religions in the world!*

Everything of God, with His laws, commandments, statutes and judgments come from the Ten Commandments. We could take each commandment, and God spoke all these words. This is not the Law of Moses, **this is the Law of God!**

But you see, how convenient for Protestants and Catholics to be told by their ministers and priests that you don’t have to worry about the Old Testament. In the case of Catholics, ‘Trust us, you just come to us and we’ll tell you what it says.’

- **Commandment #1:** Exodus 20:1: “And **God spoke** all these words, saying, ‘I am the LORD your God, Who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage’” (vs 1-2).

The first thing this tells us is that before He gets to the first commandment is that **God alone can bring you out to sin!** No one else can bring you out of sin.

Then He says, v 3: “You shall have no other gods before Me.” That is a spiritual commandment; every one of these things are spiritual commandments.

Then He gave some other statutes on how to carry it out. So, you could take this one commandment if you wanted to do a study, and go through all of the books of Moses and take out all of those commandments that have a subcategory:

- temple, tabernacle.

- priesthood, Levites
- sacrifices
- other rituals

Those are all temple laws, but they relate to the first commandment, and under the Old Covenant that’s what they did at the temple worship.

- **Commandment #2:** Verse 4: “You shall not make for yourselves any graven image... [v 5]: You shall not bow yourself down to them, nor serve them...”

We’re going to see that there are a lot of commands concerning that.

- **Commandment #3:** Verse 7: “You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain...”

Under that we would come all vows that you vow in the name of God, and so forth.

- **Commandment #4:** Verse 8: “Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it Holy.”

I was amazed in preparing for this sermon—though I know it and have used those Scriptures many, many times—there are quite a few Scriptures that have the command to keep the Holy Days separate from the offerings that are given in Num. 28-29 and Lev. 23

That’s an important thing to understand, because here’s part of what the Seventh Day Adventists and the Church of God Seventh Day believe: they say that we don’t have to keep the Holy Days, because they were ritual commands. That’s not true. There were rituals and sacrifices on every day. So, by that logic, you don’t have to keep any day.

Did they not have rituals and sacrifices on the Sabbath Day? *Yes, indeed!* So, I would have to say that the Seventh Day Adventists, and the like, have *the veil lifted partially.*

I got an e-mail from a man who is a Seventh Day Adventists who said that he was so tired of going to church and just hearing the same old thing all over again. He’s fed up with different churches and preachers and things like this. He’s going to just search out the Truth himself and he was glad to find our website. Maybe we can help him out.

The seventh-day Sabbath sanctifies all the Holy Days.

- **Commandment #5:** v 12: “Honor your father and your mother...”
- **Commandment #6:** v 13: “You shall not murder.”
- **Commandment #7:** v 14: “You shall not commit adultery.”
- **Commandment #8:** v 15: “You shall not

steal.”

- **Commandment #9:** v 16: “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.”
- **Commandment #10:** v 17: “You shall not covet...”

Let’s look that them from a spiritual point of view.

- Exo. 21—here we have judgments given to judges.

Let me just say that Exo. 18, where Moses said to set up captains of ten, hundreds, and so forth, those were actually judges; *it had nothing to do with church structure*. He said, ‘Let them judge the small matters.’

- Exo. 21—the first part of has to do with slaves.

Read that because you will see that because since they had slaves in those days, God said to treat the slaves with love and kindness. The Hebrew slaves they were to let go at the end of seven years and give them a big bundle of inheritance to take, as well as money, and send them on their way. They were not keep them beyond that.

Then there is concerning various things of injury, bodily injury and things like that. These are judgments with the letter of the law given to make payments or restitution. The only thing I can say on that is this:

If we had a system of restitution where those who committed crimes would have to work and do something productive, and learn to love the one who they victimized by doing the work to repay them, just think how much we would save in taxes. It would be amazing!

There’s a special program where select prisoners help to train dogs. They were allowed to train dogs five days a week, and the program was so successful because the men had a dog that loved them unconditionally. The dog didn’t go up to him and say, ‘I won’t bite you if you give me a bone every day.’ *No!* Most dogs will do this if you don’t pet them: they’ll stick their head right onto you hand. They had zero recidivism of those prisoners, because of that.

If they did the same thing with the different things that were not capital crimes, which required a life, the whole society would be different.

- Exo. 22 goes through some of things with the death penalty.

There are quite a few commands ins Exo. 23 that have to do with a spiritual nature; Exodus 23:1: “You shall not raise a false report. Do not put your hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness.”

That is a command that has spiritual application.

Take that and do a comparison in the New Testament where it says the same thing. What did Jesus say about vows, which this applies the same way? *Let your yes be yes and your no be no!* Paul said, ‘don’t be as a talebearer running up and down,’ speaking of a problem that women had there, that Titus had to correct. He said, ‘All they do is run around and gossip.’ So, there we have Old Testament and New Testament.

Verse 2: “You shall not follow a multitude to do evil. Neither shall you testify in a cause in order to side with many so as to pervert *judgment*.” In other words, regardless of the number of people, what is true and right you do and keep, and don’t get carried away.

How many times do they have a opinion poll: What do you think? Go online and vote? *What they think generally is not what is real!*

Verse 3: “Neither shall you be partial to a poor man in his cause.” Rather you should help him and teach him so that he doesn’t have that.

Verse 4: “If you meet your enemy’s ox or his donkey going astray, you shall surely bring it back to him again.” This is love your enemies, love your neighbor as yourself.

Of course we can learn from this; of course this is a spiritual application. When you have the veil lifted, then you can understand it.

Verse 5: “If you see the donkey of him who hates you lying under his burden, and would hold back from helping him, you shall surely help him.”

I know a man who had an argument with his neighbor for about 12 years. It came time to repair the fence, so he put up the whole fence himself and the neighbor is now his friend. Good example!

Verse 6: “You shall not pervert the judgment due to your poor in his cause. Keep far from a false matter, and do not kill the innocent and righteous; for I will not justify the wicked” (vs 6-7).

All of these are New Testament doctrine. Deuteronomy means *the second giving of the Law*, and nearly all of that would be what you would consider *spiritual doctrine*.

Verse 9: Also, you shall not oppress a stranger, for you know the heart of a stranger since you were strangers in the land of Egypt.”

Verse 12: “Six days you shall do your work, and on the seventh day you shall rest, so that your ox and your donkey may rest, and the son of your handmaid, and the stranger, may be rejuvenated.”

Then we come back to the first

commandment. What we have here is interspersed different things on how to keep the Ten Commandments. That's what it's all about.

Verse 13: "And be watchful in all that I have said to you. And make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of your mouth"—any form of worship, any form of praising, obviously, because God wrote about the names of the gods of the people of the pagans. So, God would not break His own laws and commandments. This is obviously in a worshipful way.

To mention Baal and the prophets of Baal as the wrong ones to follow, is an entirely right thing to do, because that comes under the category of 'have no other gods before Me.'

Now, here are the Holy Days without the sacrifices, v 14. This gives us good ammunition in understanding if anyone comes along and says that you don't need to keep the Holy Days because those were just 'ritual days.'

It's just like the Sabbath, it can become a drag and a nuisance:

- when you're not keeping the Sabbath spiritually and learning of God's way
- when you're not being taught
- when you're not praying
- when you're not studying

But when you are, you're learning and growing and God's Spirit is with you, then what happens? *The Sabbath Day becomes very important, because you understand the spiritual meaning of it!*

I'm sure that's what got a lot of people turned off concerning the Sabbath when they started spouting off about Sunday. **They had dumbbed down, dumbbed down, dumbbed down** so much that even some of the Protestant churches had more understanding than what was going on in a Sabbath-keeping church, which is a sad thing to say, but that's how it goes sometimes.

Every one of these things, like with the Holy Days; when we keep the Holy Days we need to hear about the Holy Days. But if you come to a Holy Day service and you hear nothing about that Holy Day, what was the purpose of the Holy Day? So, there are responsibilities both ways here.

Verse 14: "You shall keep a Feast unto Me three times in the year. You shall keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread. You shall eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded you, at the time appointed in the month of Abib, for in it you came out of Egypt. And no one shall appear before Me empty" (vs 14-15).

That's why we understand when we keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread, first of all, **only God**

can bring us out of bondage and sin! Next **only God can keep us in a proper state of righteousness** through His Spirit.

Verse 16: "Also, the Feast of the Harvest of the Firstfruits of your labors, which you have sown in the field. And the Feast of Ingathering, in the end of the year, when you have gathered in your labors out of the field. Three times in the year all your males shall appear before the Lord GOD:" (vs 16-17).

Then He talks about offerings and so forth (vs 18-19).

Now, here's something that applies to all people everywhere at all times. {note sermons on *Disasters and God's Judgment #1 & 2*} God is judging everyone, everywhere all the time. How does He do it? *By His laws and His commandments!* If you break them, sooner or later they're going to break you; sometimes immediately! Sometimes God gives you a space to repent before judgment comes, but you can know for sure God's judgment is judged within the person's own body for sinning whether they have sexually transmitted diseases or not.

Sexually transmitted diseases is another judgment, and they have found that every human being remembers their very first sexual encounter with whom and approximately when. You've forgotten a lot of other things, but every one of us remembers that. I do and you do. That's why it's important to have virginity for women and chastity for men so that first experience will be with your husband and wife and it is something to remember all of your life as something good and wonderful, because it's within the blessing of God rather than a haunting curse in the back of your mind the rest of your life.

God even knows the number of hairs on our head. So, these laws being stated, if they're removed doesn't take them away, because they are spiritually active all the time.

Verse 24: "You shall not bow down to their gods, nor serve them. And you shall not do according to their works. But you shall surely tear them down, and surely you shall smash their standing images." That's part of the administration of the letter [of the Law] and death.

Today we don't go breaking down idols in different churches and buildings. God will take care of that.

Verse 25: "And you shall serve the LORD your God, and He shall bless your bread and your water. And I will take sickness away from the midst of you."

I just might mention this: One of the big

difficulties that is in the world and also in the Church is cancer. You need to understand something very profound. You need to take care of your body so that you won't fall victim to these things, which is more than just clean and unclean foods. That's a start.

If you do come down with some of these diseases, please understand that God made it our responsibility to check out those things that will help purge it out of our bodies, because it is possible to do so through prayer and natural methods. You can go online and find a lot of information concerning it. That's very important.

It is true, and I've seen it happen, that if you the way of surgery, if you have surgery without chemo, and then you do the natural things, you have a high chance of recovering. But if you go surgery/chemo you've got about a year and that's it.

Our neighbor lasted three years, and he last chemo therapy session he had, you could tell, he just had that 'fried look' about him. He was just cooked. But there are a lot of things you can find out about online about natural methods. There's a book: *The Natural Cures They Don't Want You to Know About* by Kevin Trudeau. In there he says that 'resting a day a week in important,' and that you should 'rest from Friday night sunset to Saturday night sunset, because of the rhythm of the body that that is the best time to rest.' I saw that and said, 'What does God do? His laws are working all the time! God is no respecter of persons. Here's a man who is not preaching about God, but at least he understands this.

Exodus 24:12: "And the LORD said to Moses, 'Come up to Me in the mountain, and be there. And I will give you tablets of stone, and the law, and commandments which I have written, so that you may teach them.'" Of course, you can tie in coming to Mt. Zion in heaven above.

- Exo. 25-30—having to do with the details on making the tabernacle, the garments for the priests, how to make the altars and everything.

Then we come to Exo. 31:12—here again with have the Sabbath without any ritual or sacrifice mentioned. This is a very key and important one.

Exodus 31:12: "And the LORD spoke to Moses saying, 'Speak also to the children of Israel, saying, "Truly **you shall keep My Sabbaths**..."'" (vs 12-13).

There it is! When people start talking about Gentiles, Paul says that 'you are wild olive trees grafted into the olive tree of Israel and the branches do not bear the trunk, but the tree bears the

branches'—which is very good for this part.

In other words, out of the olive tree of Israel, they were to be fed the spiritual meaning of God's way. That's the actual understanding of what he was talking about symbolically. This becomes a real important thing. No only are we to keep them... Did God ever command any other day? That's why in *The Holy Bible in Its Original Order, A Faithful Version* we've got Appendix N: Rome's Challenge to the Protestants. God never commanded any other day!

Now notice what Sabbath-keeping is, and it's still true: "...for it is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations..." (v 13). We have another sign that Jesus added in addition to it:

John 13:34: "A new commandment I give to you: that you love one another in the same way that I have loved you, that *is how* you are to love one another. By this shall everyone know that you are My disciples—if you love one another" (vs 34-35).

So, we have one sign that we find in the Law of Moses, which is spiritually discerned, and Christ added another sign to it to distinguish it, as well.

Exodus 31:13: "...**to know that I am the LORD Who sanctifies you**." That's how we know God. God gives His true revelation in:

1-John 2:3: "And by this **standard we know that we know Him: if we keep His commandments**. The one who says, 'I know Him' and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the Truth is not in him" (vs 3-4).

Having God's Spirit is the third way that you know God. There are various degrees of knowing God. We need to understand that the Bible—inspired by the mind of God—is really a lifetime study for us to continuously learn new things out of His Word. That's why the Word of God should never become dull, old, or 'I've heard that before.' Just go through the Bible and see how important the Sabbath is by how many times it's mentioned and how many people understand it; it gives you a good lesson.

Exodus 31:13: "...**I am the LORD Who sanctifies you**"—to be made Holy. *Only God can do that!*

Then what did God do spiritually through Christ? *We are sanctified through Christ, and the sacrifice of His blood!* We are sanctified again, a third time, by God's Spirit.

This is how we can understand this. Then He talks about the weekly Sabbath, but remember in v 13 it is "...**My Sabbaths**..."—plural.

- Exo. 32-33—the golden calf and Moses came down and broke the plates and so forth.

I don't know how accurate the Book of Jashur is (the apocrypha) but it claims that when Moses came down off the mountain the second time it was the Day of Atonement. I don't know how true that is, but the Book of Jashur is mentioned in the Old Testament, but it is not included.

I guess we could take from that that it would be a source of some historical value, but not dogmatic doctrine.

Exodus 34:4: "And he cut out two tablets of stone like the first *ones*...." This time God made Moses do it; God did it the first time. Since Moses broke them, he had to make them.

"...And Moses rose up early in the morning and went up to Mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tablets of stone. And the LORD came down in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD. And the LORD passed by before him and proclaimed, 'The LORD, the LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth'" (vs 4-6). That's always a characteristic of God.

Verse 7: "Keeping mercy to the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin..." Because of Moses' importuning of God, God spared the children of Israel. So, God is proclaiming what He did, even though they direct rebels—3,000 if them—were killed.

Let's look at how He reiterates the commands again. Notice that when something is destroyed then God repeats. What happened in the case of Jeremiah? He wrote the judgment against the king, and the king and princes took it and the penknife and scroll that it wrote it in and cut it out and threw it in the fireplace. God says, 'Jeremiah, I want you to write it again; the very same words, only I'm going to add some more to it.'

So, He repeats it here, v 12—after He talks about observing what He commands and don't go after the Canaanites: "Take heed to yourself, lest you make a covenant with the people of the land where you go, lest it be for a snare in the midst of you."

- What happened?
- Did the children of Israel follow that? *No!*
- Was it trouble for them all the time? *Yes!*

Verse 13: "But their altars you shall destroy, their images *you shall* break, and their groves you shall cut down, for you shall worship no other god; for the LORD, Whose name is Jealous, *is* a jealous

God" (vs 13-14). This means exactly that! We need to understand what this means.

If He is God, and God alone—which He is, and the Father with Him—and Jesus is 'the Way, the Truth and the Life' and there is no other way, and God has made it plain. How is God going to react to His people who turn their back on Him? *He's a jealous God!* That is a good jealousy that:

- He love you
- He wants you
- He doesn't want you going any other way for your own good

Christ is the Way, the Truth and the Life! He's the only way! Someone says, 'I want to live forever.' *Well, this is the way to do it!* 'But you're discriminating; you are not inclusive.' *Not true! God is inclusive unto all who repent!* But there has to be *repentance!* If you really want life, you really want eternal life, and if there is only one way to get it:

- Should I not tell you about it?
- Is that being discriminatory?
- Is that having a lack of diversity?
- *No! That is being honest and straightforward!*

And under the guise of non-discrimination and diversity, they say that's exclusiveness. *God is exclusive!* God has called you, and you are part of the exclusiveness that God has included you in. Never forget that.

Verse 15: "Lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land..."

Verse 17: "You shall make no molten gods for yourselves. You shall keep the **Feast of Unleavened Bread**...." (vs 17-18).

Verse 21: "You shall work six days, but on **the seventh day** you shall rest.... [the Sabbath] ..And you shall observe the **Feast of Weeks**... [Pentecost] ...of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the **Feast of Ingathering** at the year's end" (vs 21-22)—Feast of Tabernacles. *All without any sacrifices!*

Verse 28: "And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights. He neither ate bread nor drank water...."

All of us had breakfast this morning and will have lunch. If we fast one day, for some of us that's pretty hard; two days gets much harder; three days is agony. Four days and you're wasted out and not knowing what to do. Forty days with no bread or water...

This was the point that God was making. He is the Source of life and not bread and water, which ties in with exactly what Jesus said: *Man shall not*

live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds of the mouth of God shall man live! This was a lesson to the children of Israel.

“...And He wrote upon the tablets the words of the covenant, the Ten Commandments” (v 28). That’s very interesting, because the Ten Commandments are the whole basis for the covenant. The Ten Commandments are the whole basis for your relationship with God. Then God adds Christ to it, which then gives you the Spirit and the meaning of the Laws as we are looking at now *with the veil lifted*, so when you read Moses you understand the spiritual aspects of it.

Verse 29—this ties in with 2-Cor. 3: “And it came to pass as Moses was going down from the mountain of Sinai, the two tablets of the testimony being in Moses’ hand as he went down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face had become luminous through His speaking with him.”

I don’t know how that happened, how Moses was sitting there talking to God face-to-face and the glory of God was so profound—which could have killed Moses in His full glory—that it became, temporarily, part of Moses’ face. Imagine what the children of Israel thought when they saw him.

Verse 30: “And Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face had become luminous.... [I don’t know what it looked like; I don’t know how to describe it] ...And they were afraid to come near him. And Moses called to them. And Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. And afterward all the children of Israel came near. And he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai” (vs 30-32).

This time they listened because Moses was different. They paid a little more attention this time. What this was doing is an added witness to the people that this was, in fact, from God. The first time he was up on the mountain for 40 days, and they made a mistake by asking, ‘Where is Moses? We don’t know him and we don’t even know if God is up there.’

This time Moses came down with the witness in his face to let them know that he was with God.

Verse 33: “And Moses finished speaking with them, and he put a veil on his face. But **when Moses went in before the LORD to speak with Him, he took the veil off** until he came out. And he came out and spoke to the children of Israel that which he was commanded. And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses’ face had become luminous. And Moses put the veil

upon his face again until he went in to speak with Him” (vs 33-35). *That was quite a witness!*

All the rest of the book of Exodus is good for reading to understand about the tabernacle. Remember that they could not build anything unless it was instruction given from God. What happened when it came time to build the temple? *God gave the plans to David!* Solomon built it.

When the temple was destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar, they had no more plans so they couldn’t build the second temple until the plans were again revealed by the prophet Ezekiel. So, the last part of the book of Ezekiel are the instructions for the second temple, which lasted down until the time of Christ. The water that goes out that is real deep is the preaching of the Gospel into the whole world. The temple in Ezek. is the second temple. That’s not the Millennial Temple. How do we know? The Levites will have no offerings, no job at the temple. *We will be the kings and priests!*

- Lev. 1-7 are all about the laws of the sacrifices.

Note book: *The Law and the Offerings* by Andrew Jukes. He goes through and gives a fairly good detailed analysis of the meaning of the physical ritual. Christ fulfilled all of these things. When it said that ‘He fulfilled the Law and the Prophets’ there were some that He fulfilled in His first coming.

He fulfilled everything to do with all the sacrifices because His one sacrifice is sufficient for everything. But it’s interesting reading.

Lev. 10—What happened when the priesthood violated approaching God the way that they should in the sons of Aaron: Nadab and Abihu. They took ‘strange fire’ and put it on the altar. God took care of them!

Understand that the first time there is a sin, the punishment is always most severe. Go back and analyze about Adam and Eve. The first sin, what did that do? *We carry the inheritance of a sinful nature within us because of that! Most severe!* They were kicked out of the Garden of Eden.

Here you would have where they brought ‘strange fire.’ An example for the whole priesthood: ***Don’t ever do that!*** What happened when Achan stool the gold wedge when they were in conquering the land? ***The first sin always received the sterner judgment, as an example!***

- Lev. 11—clean and unclean

1-Timothy 4:1: “Now, the Spirit tells *us* explicitly that in *the* latter times some shall apostatize from the faith, *and* shall follow deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons.” Everyone of those

verses that we covered about no other gods you could put right here for v 1.

Verse 2: “Speaking lies in hypocrisy... [and they know better] ...their consciences having been cauterized *with a hot iron*.” How do you cauterize? *You get a red hot piece of iron!* Remember how they used to brand cattle. They now put a chip in the ear, and they can follow it wherever it is.

Verse 3: “Forbidding to marry; *and commanding* to abstain from meats, **which God created to be received with thanksgiving by the faithful...** [the ones God made to be eaten] **...even by those who know the Truth.**” What is the Truth? *Your Word is the Truth!*

➤ Lev. 11? *The Truth!*

That’s how we put this together when the veil is lifted so that we can understand it. This is New Testament doctrine. Here’s the one that in the *King James* that they go to. They forget v 3 and always go to v 4.

Verse 4: “For every creature of God *designated for human consumption* is good, and nothing to be refused, *if* it is received with thanksgiving.” *Lord, bless this ham!*

I added words in italics to clarify, and the reason I did was to define v 3 where it says, “...God created...” them; and “...*by* those who know the Truth.”

So, I translated it this way; v 4: “For every creature of God **designated for human consumption** is good...” That is a clarification of v 3, because not all creatures are good. No they’re not! There are some poisonous fish that if you eat it you’re dead!

Verse 4: “For every creature of God *designated for human consumption* is good, and nothing to be refused, *if* it is received with thanksgiving, **because it is sanctified by the Word of God and prayer**” (vs 4-5). That’s what Lev. 11 does.

➤ Lev. 11—the meats that you can eat

- Why should you follow that today? *Because it’s New Testament doctrine (1-Tim. 4)!*
- Are they discerned clean and unclean by ritual or by creation? *Creation!*
- Is it something that has to do with temple-worship? *Only in the sense when they offered the animals for sacrifice, which had to be clean animals!*

But in eating them, it is a personal application. Here is a personal health law that God wants us to follow. It’s to the only health law, there are others, too.

- Lev. 12-15—Many of these laws that we have here we can read and understand and use as a principle and as a guide

Then we have the broad term of leprosy.

Childbirth and the uncleanness after childbirth: If you have a newborn, don’t go to church in two weeks. The mother is not ready and the child doesn’t need to be exposed to other people’s germs.

Why the difference between the number of days for a male and a number of days for a female I don’t know, but God has whatever He considers good reasoning for it. However, we can take these different things and apply the principle of it, which is this:

Bring the children when they are ready. When they’re home, nursing and being taken care of, what is happening to the baby during this period? *The baby is getting immunized through the mother’s milk!* When it’s exposed to other people now the baby, by they time it’s ready to come out in public, it will have it’s immune system built up by the colostrums in mother’s milk.

This shows you that if you have a wound and it’s all inflamed and red and pussy, don’t get out and be around other people. Cleanse it, bathe it, keep it clean. What is one of the sayings that you’ve heard many times: *Cleanliness is next to Godliness!*

Keeping clean, bathing and watching these things are very, very important to do.

➤ Lev. 18—sex laws; sins not to commit

Of course they do, the whole human race is involved in it. This is why God gave these laws.

➤ Lev. 20:1-5—those who go after the seed of Molech

In this next section it’s concerning *no other gods*. Notice how similar this is to what we just read in 1-Tim. 4:1.

Leviticus 20:6: “And the one who turns to mediums and to familiar spirits to go a whoring after them, I will even set My face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people. And you shall sanctify yourselves and be Holy, for I *am* the LORD your God” (vs 6-7).

Peter in 1-Peter says that God says, ‘Be Holy for I am Holy.’ So, we have New Testament doctrine in what people call the Old Testament. How are we made Holy today?

1. by God’s Spirit
2. by keeping God’s commandments
3. physically by not defiling ourselves with any of these things

In each case, when we go through, you can see

there's a 1, 2, 3 in many of these things.

Verse 9: "For anyone who curses his father or his mother shall surely be put to death...." We don't put them to death today, but what happens when children are allowed to do this? *Look at the society around us!* That's keyed to the commandment to 'honor your father and mother.'

Verse 10: "And a man who commits adultery with a man's wife, who commits adultery with his neighbor's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death."

Does that ring a bell in your mind concerning anything in the New Testament? How about John 8? *The Pharisees said that 'we've got this woman right in the act of adultery. Moses said to stone her!* They read that here in Lev. 20:10.

- What do you say?
- What did Jesus do? *He knelt down and was writing on the ground!*

I just imagine that He wrote:

- Where is the man? *Both should be stoned!*

Jesus said, 'Okay, the one without sin gets to throw the first sin.' So, they all left and the woman was standing there alone. I imagine that she was shaking and trembling and all that sort of thing. Jesus said, 'Woman, where are your accusers?' She said, 'None, Lord!' He said, 'Go and sin no more.'

He didn't deny the sin, but He gave righteous judgment, because if you're going to judge one you have to judge the other, because you cannot commit adultery without a man and a woman. We have the same thing right here, and this is what Jesus was following. Then it talks about the different penalties for the other sex sins that come along.

- Lev. 23—Holy Days. Then it has to do with the land, tithing and so forth.

Lev. 26:1: "You shall make no idols to yourselves; and you shall not set up for yourselves graven images, or a standing pillar. And you shall not set up any image of stone in your land in order to bow down to it, for I *am* the LORD your God."

Lev. 26 is a parallel of Deut. 28 and we won't go into that except to say that when you read these things, when you read what God says in Deut. 28 and Lev. 26 that you can see that's exactly how God is judging the world, judging Israel, judging everyone's lives.

The book of Numbers is really more about the travels.

- Num. 1-8 we have the bringing of the offerings by the tribe for the dedication of the tabernacle.
- Num. 9—we are able to determine that if

someone is sick and unable to keep the Passover that they can keep the second Passover.

- Num. 11-12, 14, 16—rebellion; in the next few chapters, almost every other chapter is about rebellion. Those are good to learn.

All of those chapters that contain history are what Paul said was that *'these things are written for our admonition'* so we can learn not to do as they did.

Then we come through all the things concerning Baalim. That's interesting. The New Testament talks about Baalim, those that follow the doctrines of Baalim and go after Baalim.

- Num. 28-29 have to do with all the offerings that were given

Numbers 30:2: "If a man vows a vow to the LORD, or swears an oath to bind himself with a bond, he shall not break his word. He shall do according to all that comes out of his mouth."

We find that applied in the New Testament, too. Jesus said, 'Swear not by heaven above, for that's God's throne; nor by Jerusalem, for it's His footstool; nor by the hair on your head, for you can't make one hair white or black. But let your yes be yes, and your no be no.'

That's a spiritual amplification of what we have here in Num. 30:2. *When you say something, you do it! When you say something, it's true!*

Read the book of Deuteronomy and you will see that there is hardly anything in there concerning offerings at all. This has to do with behavior and spiritual application, and it is really a very, very strong book. Just remember, Moses wrote this at the end of 40 years of putting up with the children of Israel. *This was his good-bye message with the song that he composed!*

When we understand what Moses wrote with the veil lifted we can see all the spiritual applications of the laws, commandments and statutes of God.

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Law of Moses without the Veil II

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We have seen, and we'll review, in 2-Cor. 3 that from that in the *King James Version* various ministers declare that the Laws of God have been done away. They also have said that when Jesus fulfilled the Law and the Prophets they were done away.

Let's take a look at this kind of teaching, which really is lawless grace, or lawlessness. It's part of the mystery of lawlessness. When anyone declares that the Laws of God have been done away, they are actually so ill informed of the Scriptures that they are declaring that heaven and earth does not exist, so therefore, they don't either. They don't realize the silliness of their statements. Here's a excerpt from the book:

Sunday Facts and Sabbath Fiction by Russell Tardo:

In fact...

and he gives no proof

...the whole law of Moses has been rendered inoperative.

The New Testament message is clear for all who have "ears to hear." The whole of the law of Moses has been rendered inoperative by the death of the Lord Jesus. The law, in its entirety, no longer has any immediate and forensic authority or jurisdiction whatsoever over anyone.

Remember, Paul wrote that 'where there is no Law, there is no sin.' If there is no sin, there is no need for a Savior because you're already 'perfect.'

Christ is the complete end and fulfillment of all of the law's 613 commandments, ending their jurisdiction over us completely.

That's quite a quote! Next we are going to read a quote from the year 2000, not translated until then, from Martin Luther. When I read this, maybe it will help you understand how Nazism was able to rise in Hitler and in the Third Reich to give German soldiers to do what they did.

A Letter From Luther to Melanchthon
Letter no. 99, 1 August 1521:

(<https://onecanhappen.wordpress.com/2008/08/07/martin-luther-sin-boldly-%E2%80%94-no-sin-can-separate-us-from-him-even-if-we-were-to-kill-or-commit-adultery-thousands-of-times-each-day/>)

Be a sinner...

God tells us to be righteous!

...but let your trust in Christ be stronger, and

rejoice in Christ who is the victor over sin, death, and the world. We will commit sins while we are here, for this life is not a place where justice resides....**No sin can separate us from Him, even if we were to kill or commit adultery thousands of times each day.**

That's quite a statement. What are we to make of statements like this? Obviously, as we saw in part one of this series, we ended on the two things on which the Law and the Prophets hang are *you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind, soul and being*. Those are the first four commandments; this is the greatest commandment because your relationship with God the Father is the most important, so the first four are the most important.

Then God says that the second one is like unto it: *you shall love your neighbor as yourself*, which are the last six commandments. Then Jesus said that 'we are to love each other as He has loved us.'

How does such a thing come to be? What we are reading here is what we understand from the Scriptures to be *the mystery of iniquity*, which is a 'religious' system that began in the days of Paul, and carries on down to the return of Jesus Christ. How did it happen that people took the name of Jesus, which fulfilled the prophecy said that 'many shall come in My name saying, *I am the Christ*.'

- use the name of Christ
- use some of the laws
- use some of the New Testament
- mix it in with the teaching of the church fathers and human tradition

and come up with this kind of thing?

- be it Lutheranism
- be it Protestantism
- be it Catholicism
- be it Eastern Orthodox

And you can branch clear out to the other pagan religions that reject God altogether and have their own gods.

Paul says that there's going to arise a man out of it who is going to be 'the man of sin, the son of perdition' and he opposes God (2-Thess. 2:3-4).

As we have seen in the sermon series: *Holidays vs Holy Days: By Whose Authority*. By whose authority can it be said what I just read here? *Obviously, by the authority of men!* But as we have seen, the authority of Satan is behind it, because the

Truth is that *you either follow the authority of God and the Word of God and His ministers who teach the Word of God*—if they don't teach the Word of God it is because there is no light in them—*or* you follow the authority of Satan and the mystery of lawlessness and follow the teachings of men that have replaced the teachings of God and follow their ministers, priests, popes or whatever.

2-Thessalonians 2:7: "For the mystery of lawlessness is already working..." This is the only religious system that began during the days of the apostles and comes clear down to us today. It tells us something very important that we will see in just a minute.

"...Only *there is One Who is restraining* at the present *time* until it arises out of *the midst*. And then the lawless one will be revealed (whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth, and will destroy with the brightness of His coming)" (vs 7-8).

Note Rev. 19. that's is where *the beast* and *the false prophet* are cast into the Lake of Fire. That is the combined *mystery of lawlessness*: civil government and religion.

Notice who they are following, v 9: "*Even the one whose coming is according to the inner working of Satan, with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in those who are perishing because they did not receive the love of the Truth*, so that they might be saved" (vs 9-10).

- **Do you love the Truth?**
- Even though when you hear it, it may hurt?
- Even though when you hear it, it may sound astonishing to you?
- Even though when you hear it, it goes contrary to the teachings and traditions of your 'religion' even if you are a professing Christian?

Christ said of true Christians, '*Sanctify them with Your Word, Your Word is the Truth!*' So, if you believe that you are sanctified, **do you follow the Word of God?**

Let's understand something else concerning having the veil of Moses lifted: the words of Jesus Christ spoken in the New Testament fulfill the prophecy of Deut. 18. When Jesus said, 'Had you believed Moses, you would have believe Me, for he wrote of Me.' The only place that Moses wrote of Jesus was Deut. 18 about *That Prophet!* God also says that:

- His Word is Truth
- His commandments are true
- His laws are true

- His statutes are true
- everything that God has done from the beginning is true

What happens when people do not believe the Truth and reject it? God does this, because the Laws of God are always active everywhere; the Word of God is 'living, powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword.' It's always functioning in everyone's life all the time everywhere in the world whether they believe it or not.

We'll see that as we get more into the Old Testament and look at the Law of Moses with the veil lifted, or without the veil.

"...because they did not receive the love of the Truth, so that they might be saved. And **for this cause God will send upon them a powerful deception that will cause them to believe the lie.**" (vs 10-11).

- Do you believe lies?
- How many lies have you heard from your pulpit recently? *Probably a lot!*

Verse 12: "So that all may be judged who did not believe the Truth, but who took pleasure in unrighteousness."

If you don't believe the Truth, that puts you in a contrary position with God. Now, here's another Scripture that many Protestant ministers like to go to, to show that the Law is a curse, just like Tardo said, 'We've been delivered from the curse.' Well, they get that out of Gal. 3:

Galatians 3:13: "Christ has redeemed us **from the curse** of the Law..." What Protestants do is reading it this way: 'Christ has redeemed us from the Law, which is a curse.' ***That's not what it says!***

"...having become a curse for us (for it is written, 'Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree')" (v 13).

When you go to the book of Deuteronomy, especially Deut. 28, what do we find? *Blessings and cursings!* How do cursings come? *From disobedience!* If Christ has "...redeemed us from the curse of the Law..." has He not redeemed us from the result of sin? Meaning that He has redeemed us from sin, not from keeping the Law.

Let's look at Rev. 22 and see what it says concerning eternal life; Revelation 22:12—Jesus is quoted by John: "And behold, I am coming quickly; and My reward is with Me, to render to each one according as his work shall be." So, there are works we are to do!

And to give emphasis to show that this has always been, Jesus says, v 13: "I am Alpha and

Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last. Blessed... [not cursed] ...are those who keep His commandments that they may have the right to eat of the Tree of Life, and may enter by the gates into the city” (vs 13-14).

Some Bible translations—translated by people who hate commandment-keeping—have put in a different translation here, by using a different spurious Greek text where it says, ‘Blessed are those who have washed their robes in His blood.’ But the true Greek text **does not say that!**

IF you don’t keep His commandments, *you will not be able to have access to the Tree of Life*, and ***IF*** you don’t have access to the Tree of Life, *you don’t live forever!*

Let’s first get rid of the notion that you go to heaven when you die. Everywhere in the Bible it teaches—from Genesis to Revelation—the resurrection of the dead. ***No souls go to heaven!*** That’s a pagan teaching; that’s a part of the *mystery of lawlessness*.

Let’s review again 2-Cor. 3 and look at the part that says what has been set aside. The *King James Version* is really quite a poor translation, because it gives the impression, by using the words *done away* that the Laws of God were done away. You can answer that question very, very simply:

- Are you on the earth? *Yes!*
- Is heaven still here? *Yes!*
- Did not Jesus say that was the basis of His Word? *Yes!*

Then you go back to Deut. 30

- Is that not the basis of the blessings and cursings that God gave?

He said, ‘I call heaven and earth against them.’ So, yes, it is here. There is no way that the translation in the *King James* can be accurate; yet, people read it and come up with the conclusions that Tardo and Martin Luther had.

2-Corinthians 3:3—here’s a very important point to make: “*For* it is manifest that you are Christ’s epistle, ministered by us; you were not inscribed with *pen and ink*, but with *the Spirit of the living God*; not on tablets of stone, but on fleshly tablets of *the heart*.”

- What was written on the tables of stone by the finger of God? *The Ten Commandments!*
- What is Paul referring to here? *The Ten Commandments!*
- What is Paul also referring to here? *The administration of the Spirit, which he’s contrasting with the administration of death!*

Note sermons:

- *What is the Administration of Death?*
- *Administration of Death vs Administration of the Spirit*

(both sermons from the sermon series *Refuting Sunday-Keeping*)

- What is the administration of Spirit to do?
- With our hearts?
- To have the laws and commandments written in our heart and mind?

That’s far from doing away with it!

Verse 10: “And even *the ministry of condemnation...* [the administration of death]...which had glory...”—which was Moses because when he came back down the second time from Mt. Sinai, his face shined and glowed because he was in the presence of God day and night for 40 days and didn’t eat any food or drink any water. That glory was going to be faded out and set aside.

“...was not glorious in this respect, because of the surpassing *glory of the ministry of life*” (v 10). So there’s repentance, and the granting of eternal life.

Verse 11: “For if that which is being set aside... [not done away. You have to read either in *The Holy Bible in Its Original Order, A Faithful Version* (Appendix H), or in *A Harmony of the Gospels: How Did Jesus Fulfill the Law and the Prophets?* That will show what was set aside.

So, when we read the Law of Moses today, with the veil lifted, what do we read?

“...came into being through glory, to a much greater degree that which remains *is* glorious. Now then, because we have such hope, we use great plainness of speech; for *we are* not like Moses, who put a veil over his face, so that the children of Israel could not gaze to the end upon *the glory* that is *now* being set aside. But ***their minds were blinded...***” (vs 11-14)—right from the very start. When Moses went up on Mt. Sinai to receive the Ten Commandments of God, what did they do?

- *They went after the gods of Egypt again!*
- *Aaron helped them build the golden calves!*
- *They had a feast and claimed it was a feast unto the Lord!*

Their minds were blinded!

“...for to the present hour the same veil *has not been* removed... [How is the veil removed?] ...*but* remains at the reading of the Old Covenant...” (v 14). The *King James* says Testament, but the Old Testament refers to the Law, the Prophets and the Psalms.

“...***which veil is removed in Christ***” (v 14).

The laws are not removed, but the veil is removed.

Verse 15: “For to this day, when Moses is read, *the veil lies upon their hearts*. But when *their hearts turn to the Lord*, the veil is taken away” (vs 15-16). ***You have to turn to Christ in repentance, baptism and yieldedness to God!***

Verse 17: “Now, the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of *the Lord is*, there *is* freedom.”

- freedom from sin because they’ve been forgiven
- freedom from living in sin because you are now keeping the commandments of God
- How is that accomplished?
- How is that removed?
- *By the circumcision of the heart! The blindness and hardness of heart through repentance!*

This is important so we understand what they were doing:

Colossians 2:7: “Being rooted and built up in Him...”—Christ, Who never sinned, Who always kept the commandments of God. He did not do it in our stead so that we have no obligation to do so. He did it *so that He would be the perfect sacrifice*.

To be the perfect sacrifice, what did He do? *He carried the sins of the world!* Isn’t that what John the Baptist said? *Behold the Lamb of God Who takes away the sin of the world!*

Therefore, He became a curse. In other words, He took all the sins of all mankind upon Him so that forgiveness could be granted.

“...and being confirmed in the faith, exactly as you were taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving. **Be on guard so that no one takes you captive through philosophy and vain deceit, according to the traditions of men, according to the elements of the world, and not according to Christ**” (vs 7-8).

How many warning have there been to beware of those who ‘come preaching in My name, saying *I am the Christ*,’ and come to deceive? *Everywhere!* That’s what the *mystery of lawlessness* is all about. ***Just like God has signs of His people***, which are:

- conversion
- God’s Spirit
- keeping the commandments of God
- keeping the Sabbath and Holy Days of God
- living by every Word of God

The *mystery of lawlessness* has it’s signs:

- Sunday-keeping

- Christmas
- Easter
- Halloween
- St. Valentine’s Day

All of those things are the signs of the *mystery of lawlessness* and the *traditions of men!* Those ways of ‘religion’ are based upon the *philosophies of men! Pagan philosophies at that!*

Verse 9: “For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; and you are complete in Him...” (vs 9-10)—which means that you don’t need the traditions of men.

Look at the traditions of men. Most of them are contrary to the teachings of the Bible. The statement is made that ‘we follow the Bible, tradition and church law.’ The truth is, the Protestants missed it, the Catholics have rejected it, but the Protestants say, ‘Solo Scriptura’ that means *only the Bible*. Yet, they follow in the footsteps of Rome by keeping the signs of the mystery of lawlessness.

“...you are complete in Him Who is the Head of all principality and power in Whom you have also been circumcised with *the* circumcision not made by hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ” (vs 10-11). That’s the circumcision of the heart that Paul wrote about in Rom. 2.

Here’s how it’s accomplished, v 12: “Having been **buried with Him in baptism**, by which you have also been raised with *Him* through the inner working of God, Who raised Him from the dead. For you, who were *once* dead in *your* sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has *now* made alive with Him, having forgiven all your trespasses” (vs 12-13). ***The commandments of God were not nailed to the cross*** as a lot of people interpret Col. 2.

Verse 14: “He has blotted out the note of debt against us *with* the decrees of *our* sins, which was **contrary** to us... [which is sin] ...and He has taken it away, having nailed it to the cross.” What was nailed to the cross? *Jesus and our sins!* And one other thing: *the sign: King of the Jews!*

I need to mention that Colossi was a Gentile church, not acquainted with the Laws of God, not acquainted with the Sabbath, Holy Days, Passover, clean and unclean meats and things like that, but wholly given over to the philosophies of the Greek philosophers. That’s why Paul says to ‘beware of vain philosophies.’

Paul also says that they were being led by demonic spirits and falling angels.

Verse 15: “After stripping the principalities

and the powers, He made a public spectacle of them, *and* has triumphed over them in it.”

In other words, the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and the death of Jesus Christ has made null and void the power of Satan over those who choose Jesus Christ and repent. That’s what it says here. Notice that they changed the way that they lived. They were now keeping the commandments of God,

Verse 16: “Therefore, do not allow anyone to judge you in eating or in drinking... [we’ll see that when we get to the Old Testament that that has reference to clean and unclean meats] ...or with regard to a Festival, or new moon, or *the* Sabbaths.”

If they were not keeping these things, no one could judge them concerning it. Since we don’t keep Christmas and the pagan holidays of this world, do people often times judge us because we don’t? *Yes, indeed!*

Likewise, back then. When they left their pagan religion, which the pagan Greek religion had all of those things, and the mystery of lawlessness is always wrapped up in sun-worship and everything connected with it. Then they would wonder what has happened to this person? ‘You mean you’re not eating pork anymore? Or shrimp? Or lobster? You don’t go out on drunken binges anymore?’ *No!* What? You keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread? Pentecost? Trumpets? Atonement? Feast of Tabernacles? The Last Great Day? You keep the Sabbath and follow the Calculated Hebrew Calendar to determine when these are? You’ve got to be nuts!’

So, Paul was saying, “...do not allow anyone to judge you...”

These things, v 17: “Which are a foreshadow of the things that are coming, but the Body of Christ.” In other words, let the Body of Christ judge you and not people.

All the pagan religions—especially the Greek religion—was based upon the equinox and the solstice. God’s calendar is different. No wonder that this would come as a shock and surprise to all of those in the Colossi. Here are these strange people following these strange things.

What happened to them when they were converted? The veil was lifted and the blindness was lifted, so when they read the Law of Moses they understood it.

Let’s see what Paul wants us to have happen to us through Christ.

Ephesians 1:15: “For this cause... [of your conversion and receiving the Spirit of God] ...I also, after hearing of the faith in the Lord Jesus that is among you, and the love toward all the saints, do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you

in my prayers; that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you *the* spirit of wisdom and revelation in *the* knowledge of Him. **And may the eyes of your mind be enlightened in order that you may comprehend** what is the hope of His calling, and what *are* the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the inner working of His mighty power, which He wrought in Christ, when He raised Him from *the* dead, and set *Him* at His right hand in the heavenly *places*” (vs 15-20).

Fortunately in the Greek the whole first chapter of Ephesians is almost one long sentence. It’s all related and strung together. Notice how this ties in with Col. 2.

Verse 21: “Far above every principality and authority and power and lordship, and every name that is named—not only in this age, but also in the *age* to come; for He has subordinated all things under His feet, and has given Him *to be* head over all things to the *Church*, which is His body—the fullness of Him Who fills all things in all” (vs 21-23). ***Christ has all power and authority!***

I just want to mention that as you study Psalms 119, it doesn’t mention one single ritual or sacrifice. I believe that this is a prophecy of how Jesus viewed the laws, commandments, testimonies and precepts of God.

Psalms 119:1: “Blessed... [to opposite of the curses] ...are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the Law of the LORD.”

To say that the Law is done away and they read it with blindness over their eyes so that they don’t understand Moses, will say that you are cursed. But here is right here in the Psalms, “Blessed are [those] ...who walk in the Law of the LORD.”

Verse 2: “Blessed are they who keep His testimonies and who seek Him with the whole heart.”

Verse 18: “Open my eyes so that I may behold wondrous things out of Your Law.”

In Lev. 11 we have the first giving of the law of the clean and unclean meats.

- Are we still all human beings like the Israelites were when the Law was given? *Yes, we are!*
- Do we come down with sickness and illnesses if we eat things that are not right? *Yes, we do!*

I’m not going to go through the whole thing; I’ll let you read the whole thing for yourself.

Leviticus 11:1: “And the LORD spoke to

Moses and to Aaron, saying to them, ‘Speak to the children of Israel, saying...’” (vs 1-2).

When you read this, please understand that this is not the Law of Moses, but it is the Law of God that Moses wrote. These are the words of God, and Jesus said that ‘man is not to live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God.’ That’s why it’s important that you understand how Jesus fulfilled the Law and the Prophets. He fulfilled all the temple ritual, all the temple sacrifices, all the priest’s laws.

All the personal laws of personal health and hygiene apply to us. He says:

“...These *are* the animals which you shall eat among all the animals that are in the earth. Whatever divides the hoof and is cloven-footed, *chewing* the cud, among the animals, that you shall eat” (vs 2-3). Then it says that you are not to eat:

- the camel
- the cooney/rock badger
- the hare
- the swine

Verse 8: “**You shall not eat of their flesh,** and you shall not touch their dead body. They *are* unclean to you.”

Now, they know that today. There has been some cases, which are showing about *unclean* animals and food. You can take pork and they say, ‘We have refrigerators today.’

These are unclean by creation and nature. Can a refrigerator change the nature of pork or any of the other ones that are listed here? *No, it can’t!* So, they know, and you can prove it under a microscope. You can take pork—bacon—right out of the supermarket and cook it well, put it under the microscope and you will still see the trichinosis and the worms in it.

- What is one of the first things that doctors tell you to stop eating if you have a heart problem? *Pork!*
- What is the first thing that Satan wants to put in your stomach in the morning? *Pork!*
- Where does most flu come from? *Swine!*
- Do people get sick with it today?
- Do people get sick with other things from unclean animals?

Let’s understand that in recent years there has been a rash of women giving birth to blind babies; over a thousand of them in 2004. So, they finally traced it down to mothers, when they were pregnant, were emptying kitty-liter boxes, and they got it from cat dung.

That tells you something: Should you have cats and kitty-litter boxes in your house? *If you do*, how healthy are you?

Another case concerning cat dung. There’s a preserve out on Monterey Bay where they preserve the sea otters. Of course, they have a law against killing sea otters. So, they had an epidemic of deaths of sea otters and they couldn’t figure out what it was. They finally traced it down to parasites in cat dung out of kitty litter buried in the municipal dump which through rain and runoff went down through the creeks and into the Monterey Bay and into the shellfish that the sea otters were eating.

Also, there was the account of man who took a trip to Mexico and the latest rage of those going overseas is to go out the real wild places, so he did. He went down to a place in Mexico where one of their meals was nearly raw pork with swine’s blood. He came home and got sick and one day he lost his mind. He was driving his Mercedes Benz and he opened up the sunroof, got on top and stood there and committed suicide. No one could figure out why he did it.

They ran an autopsy on him and guess what they found? *Parasites in his brain from eating that raw pork and blood!* God says, as we will see, ‘Do not eat any blood!’

Several years ago there was an article in *Good Housekeeping Magazine* showing that from eating pork and getting parasites from pork, people have had heart attacks. When the parasites get into the brain, they eat the brain and it’s gone. That’s why God gave these laws.

- Does He want us to be in health? *Yes, indeed!*
- Would God command us to do something that was contrary to our good? *No!*

If God loves us, which He does, and if His laws are given in love, which they are:

- Is it not loving to tell us that we should not eat these things? *Of course!*
- How about the eating off shellfish?

Some people specialize in eating raw oysters, and then come down with terrible things. There for a while in the panhandle of Florida when there were some who ate raw oysters and their flesh started rotting. There was no way to stop the flesh from rotting except to amputate the arm, the leg or the foot.

That’s why God said of the fish: *Only eat that with fins and scales!* Does it take a genius to figure out which ones to eat or not eat? *That’s simple enough! God made it simple!*

Of course, you’re not to eat any human

flesh, but where they eat human flesh—especially when they specialize in eating the brains—they get brain diseases. ***God leaves them over to their own devices!***

How do you know which laws to keep? All the personal laws! If you eat food, then you should follow the food laws, because God in His love gave those laws so that you would have health.

- He doesn't want you to be sick
- He doesn't want you to die with parasites
- He doesn't want you to die with diseases

But if you break His commandments, guess what's going to happen? What is the *curse* of the Law? *Eating those things as far as health is concerned!* I suggest that you go online and you look up parasites, which:

- comes from food
- comes from foreign lands
- comes in the human bodies

You think about how you need to take care of yourself to be clean and how you need to eat the proper foods.

Leviticus 11:44: “For I *am* the LORD your God... If God says it that way, He means it] ...and you shall sanctify yourselves, and you shall be Holy...” How do you sanctify yourself? *By doing what God says!*

“...for I *am* Holy. Neither shall you defile yourselves with any kind of creeping thing that creeps on the earth” (v 44). Yet, people today have pigs as pets, snakes, lizards, all kinds of weird and strange things. I wonder how many of them come down with various diseases.

I know that some children have died because they have petted lizards and they've gotten salmonella from the skin of the lizards. That's why God says that you should not touch them. You shouldn't have them in your house. *You need to think about that!*

I know two people who have died of cancer who had cats living in their houses and treated them like human beings. Once they came down with cancer as bad as they did, it was too late. *You need to think about that!*

Same way with eating some of these exotic raw sushi's. People can get parasites with that. There's one case where a woman who ate something raw—I forget what it was—but it was still creeping on her plate when she cut it. She got such a bad parasite from it that she had to live at the doctor's house for six months in order to get rid of those parasites. A lot of sickness that people have today is because of uncleanness, because of parasites.

That's why God said, ‘Don't eat those things,’ and I might add: *Because I [God] love you!* That's what God said. He called the children of Israel because He loved them.

Isn't it in the New Testament that it says, ‘God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes on Him may not perish, but may have everlasting life’?

- Does He not want us to be healthy, too.
- Does God want us sick? *No!*
 ✓ *that's why He's given these things!*
 ✓ *that's why He says to 'sanctify yourselves for I am Holy!*

Verse 45: “For I *am* the LORD Who brought you up out of the land of Egypt to be your God. **You shall, therefore, be Holy, for I *am* Holy.**” That's New Testament doctrine.

Verse 46: “This *is* the law of the animals, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moves in the waters, and of every creature that creeps on the earth, to make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the creature that may be eaten and the creature that may not be eaten” (vs 46-47).

So, when God says, ‘Thus saith the Lord,’ He means it! Christ did not do away with this. Christ did not do away with the law of clean and unclean meats, though *The New International Version* of the Bible claims that He did. You can read that in Mark 7, and here's the verse that they changed; an absolutely corrupt translation.

The thing we need to understand and realize is that Christians today are in a battle for the Truth of the Bible as never before, because men are corrupting the Bible with corrupt translations, changing the meaning of it. Remember that when you change the words, or give a faulty translation, *you change the meaning!*

Mark 7:19 (KJV): “Because it entereth not into his heart...” The whole subject is clean or unclean hands; it has nothing to do with clean or unclean meat.

Even if we have to take a little time to go through this, it's so you understand that the New Testament nowhere sanctions the using of unclean meats.

“...but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?” (v 19).

NIV: “For it doesn't go into their heart but into their stomach, and then out of the body.” **(In saying this, Jesus declared all foods clean.)**” That is totally contrary to the Greek! Absolutely contrary to the Greek.

FV: “For it does not enter into his heart, but into the belly, and *then* passes out into the sewer, purging all food.”

That’s what happens: when you eat it goes into your system and when it passes out it goes “...into the draught...” today into the sewer! It’s purging all food that cannot be consumed by the body. If there’s a little dirt on it, it passes through. What if you eat a carrot that has a little dirt on it because you just pulled it out of the ground and you couldn’t get all the dirt off? Are you going to die from it? *No!*

Because the subject here is the washing of hands, let’s understand something very profound concerning this so that you know:

Verse 1: “Then the Pharisees and some of the scribes from Jerusalem came together to Him.” Now, do you not think that if He was teaching the disciples that it was okay to eat pork, to eat unclean fish that the scribes and Pharisees would have just had an absolute conniption and condemned Him as not from God? *Absolutely, they would have!*

- Did the Jews ever say it was okay to break the Law of God and eat unclean foods? *Never!*
- Do you think the scribes and Pharisees ate unclean foods? *No!*
- Do you think that Jesus and His disciples ate unclean foods? *No!*

Even years later when Peter saw the vision, he said, ‘I have never eaten anything common or unclean’ (Acts 10).

Verse 2: “And when they saw some of His disciples eating with defiled hands (that is, unwashed *hands*), they found fault.”

They had their own law and tradition that if you didn’t wash your hands before you ate, you defiled the food that you touched, whether it was clean by God’s command or not. In other words, you could defile a piece of bread. So, they washed their hands.

Verse 3: “For the Pharisees and all the Jews, holding fast to the tradition of the elders... [traditions going against the commandments of God] ...do not eat unless they wash their hands thoroughly. Even *when coming* from the market, they do not eat unless they *first* wash themselves. And there are many other things that they have received to observe, *such as the* washing of cups and pots and brass utensils and tables. For this reason, the Pharisees and the scribes questioned Him, *saying*, ‘Why don’t Your disciples walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashed hands?’” (vs 3-5).

If they ate bread with unwashed hands, did that defile the bread? Did that defile the heart? *No!* when they ate it, what happened? *It goes into the body, digested by the body and the residue is excreted as human waste, thereby purging all foods from the body into the sewer!* That’s what he’s talking about!

Verse 6: “And He answered *and* said to them, ‘Well did Isaiah prophesy concerning you hypocrites, as it is written, “This people honors Me with their lips, but their hearts are far away from Me. But in vain do they worship Me, teaching *for* doctrine the commandments of men”’” (vs 6-7).

Don’t forget that that is a living principle concerning any tradition of any teaching by any man anywhere in the world that contradicts the Word of God.

The first thing they say is that it’s a tradition of the father, and ***you automatically know that it’s a lie!*** You automatically know ***that it rejects the commandment of God!***

Verse 8: “‘For leaving the commandment of God, you hold fast the tradition of men, *such as* the washing of pots and cups; and you practice many other things like *this*.’ Then He said to them, ‘Full well do you reject the commandment of God, so that you may observe your *own* tradition’” (vs 8-9).

So, it has nothing to do with granting license to eat unclean food! *The whole argument was whether to eat with washed or unwashed hands!*

- Lev. 12-15—the various things of cleansing.
 - 12—childbirth
 - 13—various outbreaks and sickness of the skin (leprosy, etc.)

It is to be clean, wash those wounds, and not contaminate other people giving them a sickness or disease. That’s what it’s for.

- 14—leprosy of the house (mold)

That’s what it’s talking about. If there is a house that has mold and it’s cleaned out, then it’s to be aired out for seven days to make sure that there is no more mold there. The priest was to come and examine it and see whether the house was clean.

- How many diseases can you get from mold? *Many!*
- Do we not have lawsuits today because of mold in houses?
- Mold in the air-conditioning units? (Legionnaire’s Disease)\
- *Yes!*

So, the Bible is right up to date, and when it’s talking about leprosy in the house, that’s what it’s talking about. It even says that if the mold is not

gone after another period of time, then the house is to be destroyed. If you live in an old house and you have a lot of sickness... I remember a woman wrote me and said that she's living in a house that's a hundred years old, my suggestion is that you'd better clean it from top to bottom, spic and span, every wall, every corner, every nook and cranny.

Example: There was a family when we were in Salt Lake City and they kept coming down with a breakout on their skin. Everyone in the family! I went over there to anoint them about four or five times. So, the sixth time that I came over I said, 'This is something beyond anything like you have a little flu or virus and it's affecting you.' I had just gone done reading about the infection of a house.

I said, 'Who rented this house before you?' They said, 'A nurse.' I said, 'Why don't you check out what it is that this infection keeps breaking out on your skin is, and I think you'll find that she probably brought something home from the hospital.' They had it checked out and guess what they were coming down with? *Staph!* It was in the house. What they did is to clean the house just like I said, with Purex and Lysol and aired it out and there was no more sickness.

Sometimes, if you're sick all the time it's because your house is sick. That's why they had the old thing called 'spring cleaning'!

➤ Leviticus 18—sex laws

- How do we reproduce? *Sexually!*
- What is the greatest temptation that people have today? *Violating the sex laws!*
- Do they have penalties come upon them for doing so? *Yes!*

I heard some time ago that an eight-year-old had a baby. Never taught not to commit adultery or fornication. I gave a sermon once on how the sex laws effect even the environment. God gave these for a reason.

1. to keep us from getting sickness and disease
2. to keep us from having deformed children from incest
3. to keep us from destroying and perverting our mind with illegal sex
4. to show the abomination of homosexuality

They have discovered that there is a raging form of HIV that goes into full-blown AIDS in 30-90 days, and of the 20 medicines that are on the market today, it is resistant to 19 of them.

If they won't listen to God and they get mad at preachers who say that homosexuality is a sin against God. Not only is it a sin against God, it is the

most base unclean thing and practices that can be done. If you don't believe me, go on line to Dr. Paul Cameron and look up the diseases that comes as a result of homosexuality.

The promiscuity of men with men is absolutely unreal. In this recent case where they discovered this ravaging fast developing AIDS, this one man within one month had over a hundred different men in various of their perverted sex acts.

When people do away with the Laws of God they bring a curse upon themselves. You can't ever be blessed by sinning. *Never!*

Romans 1:24: "For this cause, God also abandoned them to uncleanness..." That's what we're reading about in the Old Testament: sickness, sin, disease because of breaking the commandments of God, be unclean meats or adultery, or various perversions of sex.

"...through the lusts of their hearts, to disgrace their own bodies between themselves... [what they do are disgraceful acts] ...who exchanged the Truth of God for the lie..." (vs 24-25). That's literally what they are doing today with some of these modern translations.

"...and **they worshiped and served the created thing more than the One Who is Creator...**" (v 25). Yes, they don't believe in God; no one is going to tell them what to do. They worship their own bodies, they worship their own sex organs.

"...Who is blessed into the ages. Amen. For this cause..." (vs 25-26). God deals in the lives of everyone with His laws, His commandments, His judgments. There comes a point when God will turn you over to your own devices and the curses that come upon you.

"...God abandoned them to disgraceful passions; for even their women changed the natural use of *sex* into that which is contrary to nature; and in the same manner also the men, having left the natural use of *sex* with the woman, were inflamed in their lustful passions toward one another—men with men shamelessly committing lewd *acts*, and receiving back within themselves **a fitting penalty for their error**" (vs 26-27).

That's what AIDS is, in addition to hepatitis, unclean practices, sickness and disease, fear and anxiety.

Here is New Testament doctrine, v 28: "And in exact proportion as they did not consent to have God in *their* knowledge, God abandoned them to a reprobate mind, to practice *those* things that are immoral; being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness,

malice; full of envy, murder, strife, guile, evil dispositions..." (vs 28-29). I'm reading your nightly news.

In the mystery of lawlessness what have they discovered? *Over a thousand priests who sexually abused children*, and in addition to it, the Roman Catholic Church as already paid out nearly a billion dollars in settlement in the United States. That's why they hate America. It's the only country in the world that hauls their priests up into the civil courts and convicts them and sends them off to prison for their rotten deeds. It happens in every other country, but those countries are run by cannon law and the priests are untouchable.

There were nine nuns that went on a vacation sex fling and had 42 different men. That's why it is called *the mystery of iniquity!* That's why in Rev. 17 the whole system is called *the great whore!* How can you possibly have any confidence in any man or woman who has gone to a parochial school, parochial high school, a seminary and sent out and ordained as a priest and have absolutely no experience in life and having a perverted outlook on sex?

Do you know why there is so much pedophilia among the priest? *Because they are still ten years old sexually!* God says that an elder is to be married. Now, that upsets some people. Don't get upset with me, I'm just telling you what God says. If that offends you, take it up with God; don't take it up with me. All I'm doing is reading the Word of God. Is it true or is it not true. Am I telling the truth? *or* Am I telling a lie? *I'm telling the truth so that you may know the Word of God!*

Verse 30: "Slanderers, God-haters... [Aren't they everywhere?] ...insolent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things *and practices...*" Look up any catalog and you will see all of the evil things that they have.

"...disobedient to parents, void of understanding, covenant-breakers, without natural affection, implacable *and* unmerciful; who, knowing the righteous judgment of God..." (vs 30-32)—*they know better!*

Every time someone breaks a Law of God, especially the Ten Commandments, *they know better!* Every time you go to church on Sunday—if you do—you know better, don't you? I challenge you to go to:

- truthofgod.org booklet: *Rome's Challenge to the Protestants*
- afaithfulversion.org *The Holy Bible in Its Original Order, A Faithful Version, Appendix N*
- ***IF*** you follow the Roman Catholic Church,

you're not following God!

- ***IF*** you follow Buddhism, *you're not following God!*
- ***IF*** you follow Mohammad, *you're not following God!*
- ***IF*** you follow Eastern Orthodoxy, *you're not following God!*

They may have a form of godliness, but it's not of God! You need to understand that. That's why the world is so mixed up and confused, because they're trying to make all of these sins and evils politically acceptable.

"...that those who commit such things are worthy of death, not only practice these things themselves, but also approve of those who commit *them*" (v 32).

One man called into a radio talk show and he said, 'The way that we cure the problems in this world is to get rid of God.' ***Well, God is not going to conveniently go away for that man!***

Something very blasphemous: Those who are religious and practice the homosexual lifestyle, claim that Jesus and John had a homosexual relationship. At the other end of the scale, the feminist and those who don't believe that Jesus was God manifested in the flesh, claim that Jesus had an affair if He was not married to Mary Magdalene.

That's what the book *DiVinci Code* is all about, which is a lying farce, but it sold seven-million copies. Do people love their lies? *Sure they do!* The book supposedly shows that the Monrovia line of kings in Europe came from the union of Jesus and Mary Magdalene. ***Nothing could be further from the truth!*** That is an absolute lie.

When men take *their* lies and make God serve with their sins, God is going to judge them for it. The more that we have had sexual sins, how has the weather been? They say it's 'global warming' from CO₂. Let's understand that one volcano can put more CO₂ in the air than all the cars in the world for a year. The reason that the problems are here is because God is giving warning, because sin affects the environment.

We are going to see a lot of New Testament doctrine in Lev. 19. Most people fail to realize that the N.T. is one-third quotes from the Old Testament. I want you to note every time you see *I am the Lord your God!* That's important. This tells you ***by whose authority*** these have been initiated. Not by man, not by Moses, not by the Jews. Not just for them, ***but for the people of God!***

Leviticus 19:1: "And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 'Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel and say to them, "You shall be

Holy, for **I the LORD your God am Holy**”” (vs 1-2). That’s found in 1-Peter 1, New Testament doctrine. God wants us to be Holy, not sinful.

- What are the brethren called in the New Testament? *Holy brethren*
- What sanctifies them? *The Holy Spirit!*
- What keeps you in the way of Holiness? *Keeping the commandments of God!*

God loves us and has given us all these things to us and for us, because He loves us and He wants it to be well with us.

Verse 3: “You shall each man revere his mother and his father... [5th commandment; no sacrifices mentioned] ...and keep My Sabbaths.... [plural—meaning the weekly Sabbath, the seventh day (Saturday today) and all the Holy Days, which are also annual Sabbaths] ...**I am the LORD your God.**” {note sermon series: *Holidays vs Holy Days: By Whose Authority*}

Verse 4: “Do not turn to idols... [2nd commandment] ...nor make molten gods... [2nd commandment] ...to yourselves. **I am the LORD your God.**”

All the way through here, when God is making an important point He says, “**I am the LORD your God.**”

Now, here are some charitable acts that God required of them:

Verse 9: “And when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not wholly reap the corners of your field. And you shall not gather the gleanings of your harvest. And you shall not glean your vineyard. And you shall not gather the *fallen grapes* of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and the stranger. **I am the LORD your God**” (vs 9-10).

Today, if anyone crosses into any field, because there’s so much thievery, no one can even pick up so much as a single grape—be they poor or rich.

Verse 11: “You shall not steal, nor lie, nor be deceitful to one another.... [6th, 8th, 9th commandments] ...And you shall not swear by My name falsely nor shall you profane the name of your God. **I am the LORD**” (vs 11-12).

See how He enforces these things. Jesus says today we’re not swear at all. We’re to come to the point of character, which is really something hard to work on with human nature; that your yes is yes and your no is no.

Verse 13: “You shall not defraud your neighbor... [2nd great commandment: *love your neighbor as yourself*] ...nor rob *him*. The wages of him who is hired shall not stay with you all night

until the morning.” In other words, when it comes time to pay him, *pay him*.

Verse 14: “You shall not curse the deaf, nor put a stumbling block before the blind, but shall fear your God. **I am the LORD.**” That’s New Testament doctrine, too, isn’t it? *Yes, indeed!*

When the veil is lifted, when you read Moses, all of these laws become important; all of these laws become something that we learn, know, live by and have written in our heart and mind.

Verse 15: “You shall do no unrighteousness in judgment...” Jesus said to *judge righteous judgment* (John 7). So, it absolutely agrees with it.

“...You shall not respect the person of the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty, *but* you shall judge your neighbor in righteousness” (v 15). That’s what God wants.

What’s one of the biggest problems that we have in the judicial system today? *If you’re rich you can buy the lawyers and they’ll lie, connive, scheme and get you off the hook!* The judges who go along with it are breaking this law.

- Has it created havoc in this society?
- Has it created distrust of the judicial system?
- Has it created a distrust of lawyers?
- Has it not made a mockery of truth and justice?
- *Yes!*

There are an awful lot of people in jail who were there who shouldn’t be there, because they’ve been convicted by lying policemen and lying prosecutors, and believing judges. You hear about it all the time, someone being let out of prison after being in there years because the prosecutor lied, the policeman lied and the evidence was fudged. Yet, you can’t sue them.

That’s why this world is upside down, they’re breaking these laws. The whole judicial system is breaking v 15.

Verse 16: “You shall not go *as* a slanderer among your people... [N.T. doctrine] ...you shall not stand idly by the blood of your neighbor. **I am the LORD.**”

Aren’t these tremendous laws buried here in the Old Testament book of Leviticus? It’s not O.T.; God’s Law is ‘living, powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword’ and is *always working all the time*.

Verse 17: “You shall not hate your brother in your heart...” Hatred destroys your heart and mind. You may have to move away from them, but

don't hate them.

"...You shall always admonish your neighbor, that you may not bear sin because of him" (v 17). In other words, you're not going to go interfere in your neighbor's life and start rebuking him of things *you think* he ought not do, which are not against the Laws of God.

Also, at the same time, you're to watch out for his property so no one is going to come in and commit a sin against him by robbing him and taking his goods, or by destroying his house, or whatever—N.T. doctrine!

Verse 18: "You shall not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself. **I am the LORD.**"

When the veil is gone, you see that God means what He says! New Testament doctrine! What does Paul say in Eph. 4? *Do not let the sun go down on your anger! Why? Because it peculates and embitters the mind!*

Verse 19: "You shall keep My statutes. You shall not let your livestock breed with different kinds.... [in other words, cattle with cattle only] ...You shall not sow your field with two kinds of seed...."

Yet, what do we have today? *Engineered seed!* We have potatoes with moth genes in them; plus many other things. Monsanto has created seeds that only work once and when you harvest it, it is not fertile if you plant it in the ground, thereby ensuring profits for Monsanto, because they are greedy. What else are they going to do?

They're also trying to put human brain cells in mice. That is as long as they don't behave in a human way. Well, the only way you can find out or not is to talk to the mouse and say, 'Hello, are you human?' See the silliness and sin of men?

Cloning human beings: I challenge all the cloners to do it without human sperm and human egg that *God created!* Start with your own, with nothing, and let's see how you do. But don't destroy God's creation by your stem-cell research and by cloning animals and humans. That is contrary to the way of God, which is covered by this verse. Amazing!

I would imagine that there would be some parents very willing to have their genes spliced with just a little bit of kangaroo leg so that their son—which they can now select—will be born with great legs so he can make them millions of dollars as an NBA basketball player. If you would announce that that could be done, you would have people lining up to get it done. That shows you how perverse people have become, ***because they have gone off and left***

God! They have cast the Laws of God behind them!

There is no way that you can divorce the Laws of God from the Old Testament from the commandments of God in the New Testament. They go together and work together. The key is to ***have the veil lifted from the blindness of your mind, from the hardness of your heart,*** through understanding the mercy and love God and why He gave these things to us.

What I also want you to understand is that when you read these things and go through them: Just think if everyone on earth kept the *letter of the Law* of God's commandments, what a different world this would be.

- we could cut the police force by 90%
- we could eliminate the jails by 95%
- we could clean out the hospitals of sick people by 80-90% or better

That's what people say they want. But you cannot have those things by living in sin. No society that has even been a great empire has defied God and continued to live.

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Law of Moses without the Veil III

The Law of God *with the veil lifted*

The Law of Moses *with the veil lifted*

The reading of the Old Covenant *with the veil lifted or set aside*

Fred R. Coulter

Why is it that human beings are so mixed up? Look at what's happening now in the United States. Whether to have the Ten Commandments on display is going to the Supreme Court and right in the middle of the Supreme Court itself is a carving of Moses with the Ten Commandments in his arms. There's also something there of Mohammad there, too.

There are people who don't want the Ten Commandments, and there are people who say they want the Ten Commandments, but they don't believe them.

All you have to do is look at any Christian group that calls itself 'Christian,' that worships on Sunday, and you will know that they don't believe the fourth commandment. You look at any 'Christian' church that has idols and statues like the Catholic Church and the Greek Orthodox, and it's obvious that they don't believe in the fourth commandment nor the second commandment.

- yet, they want God
- yet, they want to have 'a religion'
- yet, they want to be 'good'

Why are human beings this way? *Let's see!*

Romans 8:5: "For those who walk according to the flesh mind the things of the flesh..." Those without the Spirit of God. Just a normal human being in the world. They mind all the things of the flesh:

- What am I going eat?
- Where am I going to live?
- How much money do I make?

You know how it is, people who make large salaries spend it all and never have enough. It's like the book of Ecclesiastes says, 'The eye is not filled with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing,' *or* 'The making of building things there is no end.' *They're striving after physical things!*

"...but those who walk according to the Spirit mind the things of the Spirit" (v 5). We'll cover that in part 4 of this series when we do the Law of Moses in the New Testament, amplified by Christ.

Verse 6: "For to be carnally minded is death... [no hope of eternal life] ...but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." Physical life now, spiritual life at the resurrection when Jesus

returns. Also peace, because if you really understand God's way in spite of all the difficulties around everywhere and in personal lives, *you can still have peace with God!*

Verse 7: "Because **the carnal mind...**"—the ordinary mind that people have, born with. And unless they are truly converted... ***You cannot claim that you are converted if you say you've had a born-again experience and you believe in Christ, but you hate the Laws of God!*** Or you say, '***We don't have to keep the Laws of God!***' You are carnal-minded! All those who claim that have had an *emotional* experience, *not a spiritual experience!* Entirely different.

One of the common expressions in counterfeit Christianity is, 'It doesn't matter what you do, it matters on your relationship with God. And it all depends on God, nothing depends on you. So, it really doesn't matter what you do.' ***That is lawlessness under the guise of being 'religious'!***

Verse 7: "Because **the carnal mind** is enmity against God, for it is not subject to the Law of God; neither indeed can it *be*."

If you're converted, how do look at the Law of God? What did David say? *Psalms 119:*

- I love Your Law
- I love Your commandments
- I love Your way
- I esteem all Your precepts concerning all things to be true and right altogether

That's a converted mind! A carnal mind is: 'I know the seventh day is the Sabbath, but I go to church on Sunday and God knows my heart!' I've had people tell me that! Well, ***God does know your heart!***

- What is your heart? *Carnal mind!*
- What's happening when people do that? *They tell God what to do!*

We'll see later how God reacts to people not believing Him and telling Him they won't do what He says.

Verse 8: "**But those who are in the flesh cannot please God.**"

Now let's take this thing concerning Sabbath *vs* Sunday one step further. Those who believe in a lawless grace believe that you don't have to keep the Sabbath, you don't have to keep anything. But what do they do? *They go to*

church on Sunday, and they have other holidays: Christmas, Easter, Halloween, etc.

What happens is that they end up making up *their own righteousness* in place of God's. That's exactly what they're doing. Since *God only* is righteous, and *God only* is Holy, ***no man can set his own commandments above God and come and worship God according to his own standard or heart!*** That is the ultimate of lawlessness!

Psalm 50:16 is a perfect description of this kind of thing: "But to the wicked God says..." this is a message from God to all of those who believe in a Protestant *lawless grace*, or a Catholic *substitute law grace*.

"...What right have you to declare My statutes, and to take up My covenant in your mouth?" (v 16). Isn't that what they say, 'New Covenant, *New Covenant, New Covenant*'? *And they don't have clue as to what the New Covenant really is!* They do not keep the Passover of the New Covenant. {note sermon series: Holidays vs Holy Days: By Whose Authority?}

but God says, 'Why should you take *My* covenant in your mouth, even say the words?' the most lawless, satanic thing to say is that Christ—Who is the Lord God of the Old Testament before He was manifested in the flesh—came to abolish the Law. That is true your mind closed with a cast iron veil, not just a veil, but a cast iron plank of steel across your mind!

Verse 17: "Yea, you hate to be taught, and you cast My words behind you." Isn't that what they do?

- we don't need this
- we don't need that
- we don't need the Old Testament
- we don't need that

"...cast My words behind you." Very similar to what Isaiah says (Isa. 5).

Let's see how people do; let's see how they live. They hate crime, but they kick out the Ten Commandments that would stop crime if it were caught. What do we see on television news all the time? As a matter of fact, there are several semi-court type of reporting that all they do is report on murders. The latest one is the BTK—Bind Torture Kill. After 25 years they think they finally have the man.

How about having a society where you teach people God's way, and you don't have hardly any of that? They cast the words of God aside and say they need more police to stop the thieves and robbers; they need more police to stop murders. *No, you*

don't! You need more teaching in your public schools and in your homes so that the children will grow up to have a conscience to not lie and steal. Being in the flesh, they'll never be perfect, but they won't go crossing over the line into major crime.

Here's exactly what is happening; Isaiah 5:20: "**Woe to those who call evil good...** [He's saying that your society is going to turn upside down] **...and good evil...**"

'We cannot have the Ten Commandments on display on any public land. That is endorsement of religion.' *No!* God gave the Word of God to all people, it's not endorsing any 'religion.' It's the words of God and how we need to live carnally in the world, physically in the world.

"**...who put darkness for light...**" (v 20). Substituting your own words and teachings for the teaching of God, because ***the commandments are a lamp to your feet, Christ is the Light of the world!*** What is happening? *They have a false Christ!* They have a false Messiah! A long-haired wimpy thing that is nothing like Christ really was.

"**...and light for darkness...**" (v 20). They condemn it. 'You mean you really believe the Bible; you've got to be kidding! Who does that anymore?'

"**...who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter! Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes,** and prudent in their own sight!" (vs 20-21). '*We can get along without God! We don't need God!*'

Like the professor that I read about who said, 'We can get along without God. We don't need God.' ***Wise in their own eyes,*** and God said that when they did that '*they became fools!*' They profess themselves to be the wise ones; 'we know better.'

They look at this great and vast creation and say, 'It's an accident. We came from apes.' Well, how did you get from an accident to ape? That's a giant leap! When you start analyzing everything that they say and do, it's truly—as the Psa. says—*the fool has said in his heart there is no God!*

Verse 22: "**Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine,** and men of strength to mingle strong drink." That's not only just alcohol, but we can tie in today *drugs*.

- don't think that they didn't have drugs back then
- don't think that they didn't know

You know, poppies are the easiest things in the world to grow, and where do they grow more prolifically than any other place in the world? *In the Middle East!*

Don't you think they knew how to harvest

optimum out of poppies back then? *Mix it in with the wine!* That's what it's talking about here.

Verse 23: "Who justify the wicked for a bribe..." If you have enough money you can get off any capital crime. Witness the likes of people like OJ Simpson.

"...and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him!" (v 23). Little kids can't even go to school. They had a so-called Christian rock band recently that was going to perform at a school and they canceled it even though they wouldn't do any altar calls and they wouldn't sing any songs that had to do with Jesus.

Who do these politically educators think they are anyway? *Just like it is here!* And say to those who keep the Sabbath and Holy Days, 'You have no right to do that.' *Yes, we do! And we will!*

The day of judgment is coming, and:

- it is going to come *at a time* when it is not expected
- it's going to come *in a way* that it's not expected
- it's going to be personal upon everyone *individually* who does so
- it's going to be *collectively* upon the societies that foster and create this kind of society and environment

And it will come upon them continually! Think about, just in America, all the problems and difficulties that we have:

- crime
- finances
- education
- political process
- lying
- cheating
- stealing
- gambling
- drug addiction
- homosexuality
- whoredoms
- pornography

Those are the penalties! It's coming upon them!

In some people, v 24: "Therefore, as the fire devours the stubble, and the flame burns up the chaff; their root shall be like rottenness, and their blossoms shall go up like dust... [that means they're going to be cutoff in the midst of their life] ...because..." There is a cause, and a reaction.

The cause: You reject God, His commandments, His laws, what He says, and don't even consider it worthy of your thinking of it, because... See, you're reaping the cause already.

"...they have cast away the Law of the LORD of hosts..." (v 24). Let me tell you something:

- Has God been cast out of government? *Yes!*
- Has He been cast out of the schools? *Yes!*
- Has He been cast out of the society and the lives of millions and billions people? *Yes!*

"...and despised the Word of the Holy One of Israel" (v 24). If God were not longsuffering, merciful and kind, they would have received judgment a whole lot quicker. But *it is going to come! God says so!*

We are going to see that all of these laws that God gave were for their good. God backed it up ending every section in Lev. 19 with ***I am the Lord your God!*** So, I put the question to you: ***Are you going to argue against God?***

If you think you're so almighty and you're so smart, you just reach down at your beltline and just put your finger in your bellybutton. What does that tell you? *You are absolutely a dependent person!* You were born of your mother and gendered by your father and your mother had to bring you to birth.

God has sustained you by giving you every breath automatically from that day until the day you take your last. You need to think about that. When you start throwing away the ways of God you're arguing with God, because God has given all of these things. ***I am the Lord your God!***

Let's review the first couple of verses. These are all right, good and fine laws. All these laws are good, righteous, perfect and Holy. In keeping them there is a blessing, a blessing physically.

We'll talk about keeping them when you are converted and have the Spirit of God, and the whole different aspect of how we approach God and our relationship with Him. There's one thing here that is true. These laws, unless believed and followed, are going to cause havoc in anyone's physical life. God expects even unconverted people to acknowledge Him; to have enough fear of God that they will:

- honor father and mother
- not murder
- not commit adultery
- not steal
- not lie
- not covet after their neighbor's goods

God expects that out of every human being, and to acknowledge that He exists. God says here to the children of Israel:

Leviticus 19:1: "And the LORD spoke to

Moses, saying, 'Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel and say to them, "You shall be Holy, for I the LORD your God *am* Holy"' (vs 1-2). Let's also see that this is New Testament doctrine.

1-Peter 1:13: "For this reason, be prepared in your minds, be self-controlled, *and* be fully hoping in the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children..." (vs 13-14). Not rebellious brats who had the gall to talk back to God.

Think about this for a minute: Have you ever been in a supermarket and there has been some spoiled brat just absolutely causing a tantrum, shouting back at father and mother and they don't know what to do? *Everyone in the store is looking at them!* How does it make you feel? *Some people get angry because the parents allow the children to do that!* Other people are embarrassed, and it's a bad scene.

Whenever you to tell God that you're not going to do this law or that law or the other law, or you don't believe that the laws apply to you, *you are the little kid in the supermarket with a tantrum screaming and kicking on the floor and shouting and cursing at your father and your mother!*

That's exactly what you are spiritually. Maybe some people haven't looked at that way. But God wants the opposite.

Verse 14: "As obedient children, do not conform yourselves to the former lusts, *as you did* in your ignorance. But according as He Who has called you *is* Holy..." (vs 14-15).

God called the children of Israel, a physical nation, for a physical project for His plan in the world. When Christ came, God the Father and Jesus Christ called those who are His for a special calling to eternal life.

We'll get into that a little later, because we have the parallel. You have the physical first with the covenant with Israel, and then you have the spiritual, which is under the covenant with Jesus Christ.

"...you yourselves also be Holy in all your conduct... [that's a very broad, sweeping thing] ...for it is written, **'You be Holy because I am Holy'**" (vs 15-16).

If you're going to say that we don't need the Old Testament, what you're going to have to do is get penknife and you're going to have to cut out one-third of the New Testament. One-third of the New Testament is quotes from the Old, to verify and show that God is 'the same yesterday, today and forever.

Leviticus 19:2: "...You shall be Holy, for I the LORD your God *am* Holy. You shall each man revere his mother and his father, and keep My Sabbaths. **I am the LORD your God**" (vs 2-3).

Isn't it interesting how many people tell God that they're not going to do it? *Yet, they expect God to bless them!*

You cannot expect God to bless you anymore than a child throwing a temper tantrum in the middle of a supermarket is going to have the favor of father and mother, and all of those around.

Example: I go into the local supermarket and get a cup of coffee every once in a while. I got my cup and was going to go over and pay for it. Here was this about 2-year-old boy that was standing on the cart. We had our son Stephen fall out of a cart when he was about two, and that's a very dangerous thing. He head his head real hard. The mother could not get him to sit down and put his little legs through slots on the cart.

I was concerned that he was going to pull such a thing that he was going to fall down and hurt himself. I walked up and said, 'Your mother said to sit down!' Boy, the look on his face changed all of a sudden. I said, 'Your mother said to sit down!' When I said it the third time, he sat down! She said, 'Thank you.' I said that I just didn't want him to get hurt. This poor woman was worried and you could see that she was concerned. He was standing up there, which over four feet high and if you fall down on that cement and hit your head, split it open and get a concussion, or break your arm or leg.

What happened with Stephen is that he unhooked himself and it was on an incline and he stood up and BAM! he went over. It wasn't that Delores wasn't watching; she was tending to the other children. But that's how quickly these things can happen.

Then we had another lady who works for Wal-Mart and she says that the parents take an affront when you try and get their children to sit down.

What are talking about in all of this? *The operation of the carnal mind that does not want to obey God!* That's what we're talking about, in children and in adults, and that's the way that the world is. That's why God's Word is here; to give us the guidance even in the world in *the letter of the law* what we should do.

When it says *to keep My Sabbaths*, I tell you what, if you tell a Protestant that you keep the Sabbath and the Holy Days and the Passover of God, they say that you're trying to earn salvation. That's not true! ***No law-keeping can earn you salvation; that is a gift of God!***

Leviticus 19:26: “You shall not eat *anything* with the blood. You shall not observe times nor practice witchcraft”—enchantments of any kind:

- a secret wording
- chanting to a god
- chanting to a demon

or

• repetitious vain prayers like the heathen do
or use observing times:

- Christmas
- Easter
- the summer solstice
- the winter solstice
- spring equinox
- autumnal equinox

It's like *Code of Jewish Law*, they have a prayer for everything:

- for lettuce
- for beans
- for meat
- for chicken
- if you see a deformed person
- if you see an elephant
- if you see a giraffe
- when you cross a creek

That is Judaism! All of those fall into the category of enchantments.

Verse 27 is misunderstood by a lot of people: “You shall not round the hair of your temples, nor the edge of your beard.”

- What does that mean?
- Especially the beard?
- Does this mean that you shall not round the corners of your head?
- Does this mean to not cut your hair?

or

- Does this mean to put a round tonsure on it, which is in devotion to your religious monastic group?
- *That's what that means! That's what the Egyptians did!*
- What does it mean about the beard?
- Does that mean you shouldn't trim them?
- Does that mean you should just let it grow wild?
- What is this talking about?

If you look at some of the statues of the some of the Egyptian pharaohs, who were considered gods, they would round the corners of their beard into a phallic symbol. So, what it's talking about is making a phallic symbol out of it and then right on the bottom of it to enhance the phallic idea of it, they would put a round metal clip,

which would go around the whole thing. It takes no imagination to figure out what that is.

Verse 28: “You shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead...” What do they have today? One of the most ‘holy’ days for the Shiites is what? *It has to do with one of the relatives of Mohammad when he was killed!* They get multiple small chains and put them together with a handle, then they whip it over their back. Great groups of them walk down the street and whip themselves and they're bleeding. This is supposed to be ‘holy.’ **God says that you shall not do that!**

Also, you look at some people who deliberately disfigure their bodies, especially tribes in Africa and design them so they will have bumps and designs on the skin of their bodies.

“...nor tattoo any marks on you...” (v 28). ***Tattooing is against the Law of God!*** Notice how He backs this up; He says:

“...***I am the LORD***” (v 28). These things God expects us to do and observe and not allow these things to be that He says not to do.

Verse 29: “You shall not prostitute your daughter...” Yet, the whole society today is to prostitute daughters beginning at the earliest age possible. If you don't believe me, look at how the teenage girls dress today. The truth is that they look like whores because half of them are, and they dress like it. They are doing things that the mothers and fathers don't know when they get out of school and before you get home. So are the boys!

How do you destroy a nation by prostituting the women, because that's what's happening? Right now the statistics are that 50% of married women are cheating on their husbands and 50% of the husbands are cheating on their wives.

“...to cause her to be a whore...” (v 29). In the fourth grade in Germany, they show the full human coital act, and that destroys their mind and their heart and their ability to have proper love and emotions and sets their lives on fire in lust.

Online pornography: 99% of them are women who do it. They setup a little website and they have the most gross pornography. So, they put in a law that you can't go there. They're made so you have to pay them. If you pay for it, then the government can't control it. But now they're coming out with pornography cards, which are like phone cards. So, when the children—while you're not there a home—dial up on the Internet, which is on while you're gone, they can take these pornography cards... Oh, they're not supposed to be sold to anyone under 16. Guess what? *They take these cards, and just like phone card, and there's a number on it.* When they buy it, it gives them so

many minutes of watching pornography. It is not traceable! *That's the way that the world is!*

"...lest the land fall to whoredom..."—mass pornography everywhere! They dress in a pornographic way, and if anything affects the mind more than anything else, it is sex! Everyone remembers their first sexual encounter. That's why the Laws of God say, 'Don't do this; don't do that.'

"...and the land become full of wickedness" (v 29). Isn't that the lament that we have in America today? *We have to have freedom of speech, freedom of expression!* What happens when freedom of speech and expression becomes Al Qaeda Inc. and now it is your liberty to cut off the heads of people because it is your freedom of expression?

Do you want sin? *God is going to let you heap it upon yourselves, and you'll reap the reward!* If you want to keep the commandments of God, you can do that, too. It's the choice that you have. God has laid it out for all people; it's a choice. Anyone who is wrapped up in any of these things can repent and change and get away from it if they so desire. That's why God has given free choice.

Verse 30: "You shall keep My Sabbaths. **I am the LORD.**" Again, I want you to go through the whole Law of Moses and see how many times it says, 'keep My Sabbaths; keep My Holy Days; keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread, Feast of Weeks—Pentecost—and Feast of Tabernacles. Then we have sandwiched in between those, Trumpets and Atonement.

"...and revere My sanctuary...." (v 30). That's when they had the sanctuary on earth. But the way we reverence the sanctuary in heaven above, because that's where our prayers go today:

- we confess our sins
- we repent of our sins
- we ask for God's mercy, kindness and blessing

Instead of flaunting our sins before Him and tell Him we are delivered to these things. Notice how many times it is interjected "keep My Sabbaths." Why? *Because if you keep the Sabbath, you're going to be coming out of the world one day a week, every week*, as well as not wanting to follow the morays of the world by drowning yourself in television and pornography and all the sins of the world. And you're going to have the Word of God that:

- gives you guidance
- helps you
- sets you on a straight path
- renews your desire to do the will of God

That's why the Sabbath! People who don't keep it,

wander off and do nothing of God. I've seen that, too.

Look at Sunday-keepers, try as they may, have they made the world better? Have they really? *No!* The truth is, only God can make something Holy, not a man.

Notice what else He says, because this is what comes next after whoredoms and if you don't keep the Sabbath here's what comes next:

Verse 31: "You shall not turn to those that have familiar spirits, nor seek after mediums to be defiled by them. **I am the LORD your God.**"

All the demonism, witchcraft, palm reading, tarot cards and all of the like ties in with gambling. Gambling is Satan's vacuum suction to suck money out of everybody.

There was a special on the casinos in Las Vegas, and do you know what they said? *Rarely does money ever leave here!* When it does leave, it goes by armored cars to the bank. It is designed to take your money. It is designed to make you lose. People are addicted to it, and the states promote it.

For anyone who has ever won anything on a lottery, or in gambling, know that you have been given someone else's money. Yes, they willingly gave it, but if the casino wasn't there to take it, it wouldn't happen. *Now they are trying to get casinos everywhere!*

Think about where the assault of evil is coming. If it comes down to where the forces of evil are coming in with all of their money to put a casino in small town USA, that is unreal!

{ note book: *Occult Holidays or God's Holy Days—Which?* Chapter Two: The Occult Origins of Halloween, Heathen Gods and Goddesses }

What happens? When you leave God and get into sin, then the demons, under Satan's direction, are there to welcome you into the depths of sin. That's what familiar spirits and wizards are all about. We're going to see this pattern all the way through.

Verse 32: "You shall rise up before the gray head and honor the face of the old man... [honor the old people and not ridicule them, make fun of them or put stumbling blocks in their way] ...and fear your God. **I am the LORD.**"

Why does He say that? *Because all you young people are going to get old one of these days!* You don't think about it now, and as you are growing up you look at old people and you never say to yourself that you're going to be like that.

When you've lived your life and gone through a lot of things, the last thing that God wants

to happen to you is for smart aleck young punks to mock you, to ridicule you and to disrespect you. That's why God says that. Plus it gives stability to society, because the hoary head, white or gray head, or the bald head have learned things in life and they have wisdom to pass on to you. So, you better listen and hear. Maybe if you do you can save yourself a lot of anguish in your life by going out and just experimenting what you should do or should not do.

It's just like my first orientation when I was in the Army, the general of the division came to the basic training camp and he said—and I've always remember it—*many people will say that experience is the best teacher; but I'm going to tell you that that is not correct!* It is *not the best teacher*. It is a teacher, and you will learn, but what if you had your hand cutoff; you've had the experience of having your hand cutoff, but you no longer have it because you didn't pay attention and listen to the instructions on how to handle the weapons. He says, 'I'm going to tell you a better teacher—which will make you a wiser man—the wise man learns from the experience of others.

That's why God say to honor the old man! The greatest experience you can learn today is not to take drugs; all you have to do is look at the drug addicts. Not only do they have to overcome the physical addiction, but whatever mental and emotional addiction that they have and ruining and destroying their lives. *Learn from those who have taken them and do not take them, and you won't have to experience them!* Experience is not the best teacher.

Young people today want to experience sex, then when they come down with sexually transmitted diseases it's too late to say, 'I should have listened.'

God's way and God's laws are all practical. They are all good. All of these laws that we are reading here are important for us to understand this way: They will help us in our physical lives, as well as keep us from sinning grossly so that we can understand the Truth of God in the New Testament when we come to it.

The problem is that all the 'carnal minds are not subject to the Law of God, neither indeed can be.' Why? *Because they have the veil or the cast iron steel block down over their mind and refuse to understand the Laws of God!*

In this series, is there any single law, commandment, statute or judgment that we have covered that is hard to understand? *No! They're all simple to understand!* People complain that they're hard because they don't want to do it. That's an excuse. There's nothing hard about this.

It talks about loving the stranger as yourself (vs 33-34).

Verse 35: "You shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in measures and weights, or in quantity." In the United States we have in every state a weight and measure commission. Next time you buy gas you can see that every one of these gas meters have to be certified once a year that when you buy a gallon of gas you get a literal gallon of gas. Some of them fudge a little bit by having the automatic turnoff. If you get \$10 worth of gas and slows way down when it's about \$9.75. I wonder how many people don't wait for the other \$.25 by hanging it up.

That's probably not illegal, but in my opinion they should do it at about \$.92. That would be fare. But at 75% I think it's a fudge factor.

Verse 36: "You shall have just balances..." When you weigh meat don't put your thumb on the scale.

"...just weights..." (v 36). That's when you have 1-ounce, 2-ounce, 6-ounce, 1-pound and you put it on a scale on one side and then you put the fruit, vegetable or meat on the other side then it balances out.

"...a just ephah... [a liquid measure] ...and a just hin.... [a liquid measure] ...**I am the LORD your God** Who brought you out of the land of Egypt. And you shall observe all My statutes and all My judgments, and do them. **I am the LORD**" (vs 36-37).

➤ Lev. 20:1-5 talks about the god Molech

The reason that God is so severe in it is because Molech was the god where parents had to take their children and offer the firstborn in fire to Molech. The priests of Baal for the god Molech—another form of Baal—would eat the flesh of the little baby after it was roasted.

That's why the name cannibal comes from priests of Baal from Canaan who are human flesh devourers. As we go down in time there's Solomon, and he worshipped the god of the Amorites and Molech. ***God says that you should not do so!*** God gives a severe penalty for that. We're still today offering sacrifice to Molech in the form of abortion—millions and millions.

A comment was made ay that 'don't you suppose if all those little children had been born and be grown up and be adults today, that with the tax money coming in we could balance the budget and have no problem paying into Social Security. *Think about it! Isn't that amazing!*

'The wages of sin is death' and there's misery and death all the way in between!

Leviticus 20:5: “Then **I will set My face against that man and against his family...** [what you do also affects your family] **...and will cut him off,** and all that go whoring along with him to commit whoredom with Molech, **from among their people.**”

Notice how often this comes up. The reason is that as you go down the pathway of sin, and Satan has the broad and easy way, and ‘there’s pleasure in sin for a season.’ Who is there to greet you along the way in addition to just sinners? *Demons!* Notice where this is interjected every time:

Leviticus 19:29: “You shall not prostitute your daughter to cause her to be a whore...” That leads into satanism, which leads into Lesbianism, and that leads into all kinds of things. Then right after talking about Molech the false god, then he says.

Verse 31: “You shall not turn to those that have familiar spirits, nor seek after mediums to be defiled by them. **I am the LORD your God.**”

Leviticus 20:6: “And the one who turns to mediums and to familiar spirits to go a whoring after them, I will even set My face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people.” Three’s a penalty to be paid.

{note book: *Occult Holidays vs God’s Holy Days—Which?* Chapter Two: **The Occult Origins of Halloween, Heathen Gods and Goddesses**}

The spiritual basis behind the United Nations is the worshipping of other gods, which is Satan and the demons. If you don’t believe me, just read anything about the meditation room in the UN. It’s available. They have signs and symbols of every religion.

Verse 7: “And you shall sanctify yourselves **and be Holy, for I am the LORD your God.**” Be Holy without sinning] ...And you shall keep My statutes and do them. **I am the LORD who sanctifies you;** for anyone who curses his father or his mother ...” (vs 7-9).

Verse 10: “And a man who commits adultery with a man’s wife, who commits adultery with his neighbor’s wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.”

A lot of people like to go to John 8 and say, because the Pharisees got this woman and brought her to Jesus and said, ‘Master, this woman was caught in adultery, in the very act. Moses says that she should be stoned. What do you say?’

Jesus stooped and began writing in the dirt, and everyone wonders what He was writing. I think we can solve the problem.

Verse 10: “And a man who commits adultery with a man’s wife, who commits adultery with his neighbor’s wife, **the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.**”

- Do you suppose that Jesus was writing, ‘Where is the man?’ *Because not just one; to commit adultery takes two!*
- How did they catch her?
- Who entrapped her?
- Knowing all things, could it be that Jesus knew the name of the man who did it?

Think about the power that Jesus had just as a human being. Remember when Peter and Andrew came and they went to get Nathan? They brought Nathan and said, ‘Behold, an Israelite indeed in whom there is no guile.’ Nathan said, ‘How did you know, Master?’ And Jesus said, ‘I saw you under the tree.’

Do you suppose that Jesus was writing in the sand, ‘Where is the man whose name is....?’ Why did they all leave, beginning with the oldest when Jesus said, ‘The one who is without sin cast the first stone’? Then Jesus knelt down and started writing in the sand again. That was a perversion and a direct violation of this law. That’s why when they all left and she was standing there alone with Jesus—and there a crowd of people around watching this—He stood up and asked her, ‘Where are your accusers?’ She said, ‘None, Lord!’ He said, ‘Neither do I, but go and sin no more.’

That was a matter of judgment, not a matter of forgiveness. He didn’t say, ‘I forgive you.’ He said, ‘Go and sin no more.’ So, they were perverting the Law of Moses.

Then it is talking about all the penalties of the sex sins that you find in Lev. 18 and they’re all found here in Lev. 20. And in the rest of the chapter it talks about what to do when they get into the land. Make a difference between the clean and unclean beasts, fowl and so forth.

Now, here is the summary. The reason I want to go through this is to show you how God repeats these things. By the way, how many people have read—even though they have it in their Bible—the book of Leviticus. ‘That’s for the priests, we don’t need to read that, because the priesthood isn’t here today.’ Well, not all of it is for the priests.

Verse 26: “And **you shall be Holy unto Me, for I, the LORD, am Holy, and have separated you** from the nations...”

- What is the calling of Jesus Christ and God the Father?
- Is that not a calling out?
- Is that not a spiritual severing from the rest

of the world?

- What did Jesus say of the apostles in His final prayer in John 17? *They are not of the world even as I am not of the world, and You have given them to Me, Father! Keep them in Your Holy name!*

“...so that you should be Mine”—*instead of Satan’s!* As you will see in the sermon series *Holidays vs Holy Days: By Whose Authority?* you’re either under the authority of Jesus Christ and God the Father or Satan the devil and his demons, one or the other! That’s just the way it is!

Jesus said, ‘You have given them to Me, Father; they are Yours and all Yours are mine, and all mine are Yours.’ A Christian has been called and separated by the power of God through the receipt of the Holy Spirit to:

- walk in righteousness
- keep His commandments
- love God
- do the things that please Him

There are a lot of spiritual lessons we can learn here!

By the way, if you want to know the spiritual significance of the physical offerings in the first part of the book of Leviticus, as it lays them out, get the book *The Law of Offerings* by Andrew Jukes (amazon.com).

Notice that this is at least the fourth time we have seen this within two chapters:

Verse 27: “A man also or woman who has a familiar spirit or who is a medium shall surely be put to death. They shall stone them with stones. Their blood *is* upon them.” Familiar spirits gets into channeling, remote viewing and even the military is into that.

In the New Testament God has not given what we have covered in sermons on the *Administration of Death*. God has not given the administration of death to the Church.

Note sermons:

- *The Administration of Death*
- *Administration of Death vs Administration of the Spirit* (Refuting Sunday-Keeping #12)

The greatest authority that someone has over the conduct of someone’s life for sin is disfellowshipment. Upon real repentance—true deep Godly repentance—they can be restored. But if not, they are turned over to Satan the devil for the destruction of the flesh in hopes that they may repent through the things and the troubles that they will go

through.

It tells you what God thinks about it here. They put them to death!

- Lev. 21 is about not touching unclean things and don’t profane the name of the Lord your God. Then it has some laws concerning the priesthood and the physical perfection that God demanded of them.
- Lev. 22 has also to do with the offerings and dedicating of things to the temple.

Let’s understand something very important here: ***If God says something once, that’s sufficient. But if God repeats it over and over again He has a reason for doing so!*** The things that are repeated the most—if you analyze it—are the commandments that people break, which is sin, the most often. So, notice how God summarizes here:

Leviticus 22:31: “And you shall keep My commandments, and do them. I *am* the LORD. And you shall not profane My Holy name. But I will be Holy among the children of Israel. **I am the LORD Who is sanctifying you**” (vs 31-33).

God made the Sabbath Holy by resting on it, as an example, and that is the only day He puts His presence in. He does not put His presence in the self-righteous Sunday-keeping of Protestants or Catholics.

If you don’t believe me see *Rome’s Challenge to the Protestants*—found in several publications at **truthofgod.org**—where they boldly proclaim that ***they alone*** have established Sunday as the day of worship and the Protestants follow it to this day.

{note sermon: *Are You Still Shackled to Rome?*}

Satan wants to confuse everything concerning the Sabbath. He wants to make a burden out of it with Judaism. He wants those who claim Christ to keep Sunday so they won’t keep the Sabbath. Then the Muslims come along and they don’t keep either Saturday or Sunday, they keep Friday. ***No one wants to do what God wants!***

The Jews have the right day, but they reject Jesus. It’s like having an electrical appliance with no plug; it’s worthless! The Old Testament without the veil lifted and without Jesus Christ ***will never*** bring you eternal life or make you righteous so that God will give you eternal life! These are laws and commandments that God has given to keep so we are able to walk in God’s ways and we are to keep it in the spirit. That’s what it says in the New Testament, it doesn’t say to do away with it.

Verse 33: “Who brought you out of the land

of Egypt, to be your God. I *am* the LORD.” Egypt is a type of sin throughout the whole Bible. You’ve been brought out of sin through the calling of God through Jesus Christ. You’re to come out of *spiritual* Egypt.

- Lev. 23 has to do with the Holy Days
- Lev. 24 concerns things at the temple
- Lev. 25 has to do with the land sabbath and other things to do with ownership of land
- Lev. 26 is the parallel of Deut. 28. This was given within the first year and a half after they left Egypt.
- Deut. 28 was given the last month before they went into the ‘promised land,’ 39 years later

Now here in Lev. 26 we find a repeat, and every time you see a repeat that tells you how important that it is.

Leviticus 26:1: “You shall make no idols to yourselves; and you shall not set up for yourselves graven images, or a standing pillar.... [a totem pole or obelisk] ...And you shall not set up any image of stone in your land in order to bow down to it, for **I am the LORD your God.**”

Stop and think about all of the idols and things that are around the world. I remember when the invasion of Afghanistan first took place. The Taliban, in one of the last things that they did, there was a huge statue of Buddha carved in a mountain and they blew it up. Everyone thought how sacrilege; they destroyed the image. Maybe that was one of the few things that the Taliban did that was right. Much of the rest of what they did was not right.

In Washington, D.C., they have an awful lot of idols. Look at the woman who is on top of the Capitol Building where congress meets. Then you have the Washington Monument, which is a obelisk from Egypt. The way that Washington, D.C., is laid out... There are a lot of things that people don’t know.

Verse 2: “You shall keep My Sabbaths and reverence My sanctuary. **I am the LORD.**” We’ve read that at least three times within two chapters.

- Does God mean what He says?
- Do you keep God’s Sabbaths?
- What do you keep?

Listen to the sermon series on *Holidays vs Holy Days: By Whose Authority?* because those run parallel with this series.

Notice the blessings that will come, and this is very similar to what we find in Deut. 28:

Verse 3: “**If**...”—*always conditional!*

Remember that there is no condition given to God by man. God is the One Who gives conditions to human beings because He made them. He gave them choice. That’s why the word *IF*.

Verse 3: “**If** you walk in My statutes and keep My commandments and do them, **then**... [here’s some blessings that will come] ...I will give you rain in due season...” (vs 3-4). What’s happening around the world? *Upset weather!* Sin affects the environment!

He gives all the blessings all the way down through; “...and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit” (v 4).

Verse 11: “And I will set My tabernacle among you...” What was said of Jesus when He came to the earth and became flesh? *He tabernacled among us!*

“...And My soul shall not abhor you. And **I will walk among you and will be your God, and you shall be My people**” (vs 11-12). That’s the only way to get the blessings of God.

When the Jews wanted to know Who Jesus was, He said, ‘I always do the things that please My Father.’ That’s what we’re supposed to do.

Verse 13: “I *am* the LORD your God Who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt from being their bondmen. And I have broken the bonds of your yoke, and made you go upright.”

Spiritually speaking, when God calls us He rescues us from Satan the devil and broken the bondage to this world and Satan the devil.

- **IF** we keep doing God’s way
- **IF** we love God with all our heart, mind, soul and being
- **IF** we spiritually let God write His commandments in our heart and mind so that we live by them and understand the spiritual principle of them
- **IF** we walk in them

Then God has broken the bands of the yoke of Satan the devil and has made us to walk upright and have access to God the Father in heaven above.

Then God gives a warning, v 14: “**But if you will not** hearken to Me and will not do all these commandments, and **if you shall despise My statutes**... [try that on any Protestant] ...or **if your soul hates My judgments, so that you will not do all My commandments**, so that you break My covenant” (vs 14-15).

There comes a point that you break the covenant of God. The first thing that everyone needs to understand: ***there is only one way to be in covenant with God the Father and Jesus Christ!***

That's **God's way!**

The Protestants and Catholics, though they claim certain things, cannot be in covenant with God. Why? This is not being anti-Catholic or anti-Protestant, this is just bringing out a fact that if those who are sincerely dedicated to what they believe, they can repent and change. But you can't go to God and do the things of men and expect to be accepted of God. ***They're not in covenant with God!***

You're either under God's authority or you're under Satan's authority! That's depicted by the Tree of Life, the way of salvation, or the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, which is letting Satan rule over you, and you have a society filled with good and evil.

Lev. 27 talks about the temple shekel, which the principle is that even the poorest and lowest among us should give a minimum of something to God.

The other principle that we have here is that what God has made Holy is Holy, because God alone can make something Holy. He says that:

- the firstborn is 'Holy unto Me'
 - the firstfruit is 'Holy unto Me'
- there are a lot of spiritual principles on that*
- the tithe is 'Holy unto Me'
- because He made it Holy*

In part four of this series we will go through Numbers and Deuteronomy and then the New Testament. Instead of just keeping the laws in the *letter of the Law* for the physical blessings, ***God expects us to obey in the spirit of the Law, with the heart and mind and our whole lives!***

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Law of Moses without the Veil IV

Fred R. Coulter

How should a true Christian read the Law of Moses? Combined with that, you need to understand that:

- all of the Aaronic priesthood laws have been fulfilled in Christ
- all of the sacrificial laws have been fulfilled in Christ

The clean and unclean meat laws have not been fulfilled because we are still human beings, and that's personally applied to us, and God has given this to us for our health.

The Holy Days laws have not been fulfilled because they reveal the plan of God. Without keeping the Holy Days you don't understand the plan of God.

All of the ritual physical things that they did could never bring righteousness. Even keeping the Laws of God in the letter, there's one thing that the Law can never do. The Law defines sin, so ***with the Law is the knowledge of sin!*** Without Law there is no sin. Since Jesus came to forgive sinners, therefore, there has to be Law for there to be sinners.

Today we are confronted with some things, some physical things from 'Jews for Jesus.' They profess Jesus but they wear the yamakas and prayer shawls and many little different things.

Num. 15 is a good example. The question always comes up, and the reason that this series was started was because a woman wrote me and asked, 'If we're to live by every Word of God, how do I take care of slaves, I don't have any?'

For example, the laws concerning an ox goring someone. There had to be judgment. If it gored someone, it was to be put to death. If you got a big bull in your back pasture, you'd better keep it in.

God gave certain things to remind the children of Israel; remember, they were not called to conversion. They were only called to the covenant of the Law and to live in the letter of the Law, and God would bless them physically in exchange for their obedience, and curse them physically for their disobedience.

Since this is based upon the covenant that God gave to Abraham, the covenant with Israel was a sub-covenant, but it still belongs to the covenant with Abraham. Since the 12 tribes of Israel still exist on the earth, then the laws and commandment in the letter of the Law still apply—minus the temple

ritual, minus the priest rituals, minus the sacrifices—to the 12 tribes of Israel.

You can see the result of breaking the Laws of God in the United States of America, which by the way has parts of all the 12 tribes.

Numbers 15:30: "But the one who acts presumptuously... [What does that mean? *Something contrary to the Laws of God!*] ...whether of the native or of the alien, the same blasphemes the LORD. Then that one shall be cut off from among his people." It's still a living principle today.

Verse 31: "Because he has despised the Word of the LORD..." There's an atheist—Newdow—and in just looking at him and listening to him, it's very interesting; he says he's 'religious.' He doesn't believe in murder and some of these commandments of God, but he doesn't believe in God.

Someone told an atheist, 'If you don't believe in God and you believe in nothing, and you have no purpose in life, you must be of all people very empty inside.' So, when you're cutoff from God, that means you're going to suffer the penalty for your sin. That's exactly what it means.

Verse 31: "Because he has despised the Word of the LORD and has broken His commandment, that one shall be utterly cut off. His iniquity *shall be* upon him."

Then we have the incident of a man who went out on the Sabbath day to gather sticks; v 33: "And those who found him gathering sticks brought him to Moses and Aaron and to all the congregation."

Verse 35: "And the LORD said to Moses, 'The man shall surely be put to death. All the congregation shall stone him with stones outside the camp.' And all the congregation brought him outside the camp and stoned him with stones, and he died, even as the LORD commanded Moses."

Follow that is one that people bring up all the time, which is why don't we put blue ribbons on the hem of our garments. If you're going to live by every Word of God...

Verse 37: "And the LORD spoke to Moses saying, 'Speak to the children of Israel and command them that they make fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of the borders a ribbon of blue. And it shall be to you for a fringe that you may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the LORD, and do them...' (vs

37-39).

- What was the purpose of it? *To remind them of the commandments of God!*
- Why do we not have to do that today? *It's not needed! You don't need it! It's useless!*

“...and so that you do not seek after your own heart and your own eyes which you yourself wantonly go after, that you may remember and do all My commandments, and be Holy to your God. I *am* the LORD your God, Who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God. I *am* the LORD your God” (vs 39-41). Let's see how that is to be.

That's why we don't put blue fringes on the hems of our garments. The purpose of it was to remind them of the commandments of God. Now what do we have: the Word of God and the Spirit of God.

Hebrews 10:14: “For by one offering He has obtained eternal perfection *for* those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after He had previously said, ‘This *is* the covenant that I will establish with them after those days,’ says *the* Lord... [it's a *new* covenant] ...‘I will give My Laws into their hearts, and I will inscribe them in their minds’” (vs 14-16).

So, the reminder of the blue ribbon is useless. We can also add that even though the children of Israel may have fulfilled that command, they still didn't remember when they had the blue fringes to keep the commandments of God.

Did Jesus have the blue hem on His garments? *There's no way to prove it, because they have no garment!* The Jews have a problem: ***they can't overcome their traditions!*** Their traditions—99.9% of them—are an affront to God, an entanglement in legalism.

Even though the woman who was healed of the blood-flow of 12 years by touching the hem of Jesus garment does not prove that He had blue ribbon on His garment. It does not exclude it, but you can't prove it to say that it is a dogmatic doctrine that He did have it.

But the whole purpose is to have laws and commandments *written in your heart and in your mind*. The closest thing you have to this in the Old Testament is Psa. 119, which I believe is a prophecy of how Jesus Christ viewed the Laws of God.

Since Jesus was full of the Holy Spirit from conception, He did not need to have a blue ribbon on the hem of His garments. He was the Word of God and the Son of God. It would not break the commandment that we just read, because Jesus did not need to be reminded of the commandments of God; ***He was the One Who spoke them!***

But even if Israel did it, they still sinned against God and His commandments. So, the blue ribbon was worthless, and to have it done today is just following a tradition that Judaism has, which still does things in *the letter* of the Law. That's why you can take this and also go to Matt. 5-7 about the spirit of the Law, and understand about the commandments of God.

God is not going to hinge our salvation on a blue ribbon. He's going to hinge it on our heart and how we view the Laws of God with the veil of Moses lifted.

Does that make Him perfect? *It says that He did no sin!* It didn't say that He didn't break any rules. That is an incorrect interpretation. He did not follow these physical traditions because He did not have to. He was bringing the New Covenant so that all those physical things would be eliminated.

Let's see some things concerning the laws and commandments of God. This is the companion series with *Holidays vs Holy Days: By Whose Authority?*

Also understand that ***no law can give you eternal life!*** The Law does not have the power to do it, because the Law is what God has decreed. Forgiveness comes from repentance and is a personal act of God toward you through His grace. All the commandment-keeping in the world—though it's required—cannot give you eternal life, though it is a condition of eternal life.

- it is God Who gives eternal life
- it is God Who gives the Spirit

We need to keep that in mind.

Christians today live by the commandments of God better than any Jew or Israelite ever did in the letter of the Law. We had better, because it has to be in our heart and mind. We have to live by them, but even those under the Old Covenant were to live in the letter of the Law by what God gave. We're under the New Covenant now. But we are going to see some things that project forward to the coming New Covenant. There are quite a few things that do.

Deuteronomy 4:1: “And now, O Israel, hearken to the statutes and to the judgments which I teach you, in order to do them, so that you may live...”—because the wages of sin is death; this means that you will live a long physical life. It doesn't mean eternal life here at all, just a long physical life.

“...and go in and possess the land, which the LORD God of your fathers gives *to* you. You shall not add to the word, which I command you; neither shall you take away from it, so that you may keep

the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you” (vs 1-2).

Let’s understand that *only God can change His Laws*. He did give to the ministry and the Church the ability to make judgments concerning minor matters concerning the Law. Whatever judgment that was, for example that there is no need to wear a yamaka, a prayer shawl or a blue ribbon on your garment.

The Spirit of the Law in our mind and heart supersedes that physical requirement. God is the Only One Who can add and take away. He’s primarily talking here about adding pagan religious laws to the commandments of God, as exemplified here:

Verse 3: “Your eyes have seen what the LORD did because of Baal Peor. For the LORD your God has destroyed from among you all the men that followed Baal Peor.”

What they did was say, ‘It’s all right. What’s wrong with eating and dancing? What’s wrong with a little entertainment in the tent? Nothing wrong with that!’ *So, they added to and took away from!*

That’s why a Protestant minister today cannot stand in the pulpit and say that the Sabbath has been done away when Jesus said, ‘Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My words shall never pass away.’

Verse 15: “Therefore, **take good heed to yourselves...**” Watch out! Someone always wants to do something for God. We even had man who wanted to build a temple for God in Pasadena. The lesson of the Bible is that anyone who wants to build a temple for God gets himself in trouble, beginning with Solomon. *Nothing new under the sun!*

“...for you did not see any form *at all* on the day the LORD spoke to you in Horeb out of the midst of the fire” (v 15). What he’s saying is that you’re made in the image of God, but you don’t know what God looks like, so ‘don’t make any image of Me.’

Verse 16: “Lest you act corruptly and make for yourselves a graven image, the likeness of any figure, the likeness of male or female, *or* the likeness of any beast on the earth, the likeness of any winged fowl that flies in the air, *or* the likeness of anything that creeps on the ground, the likeness of any fish in the waters beneath the earth; and **take heed**, lest you lift up your eyes to the heavens—when you see the sun, and the moon, and the stars, all the host of heaven—lest you should be driven to worship them and serve them...” (vs 16-19).

That’s astrology, witchcraft. You can do that in your local paper today by turning to the section

where they have the astrology chart. People today will ask, ‘What sign were you born under?’ *That’s all witchcraft! Astrology! God says, ‘Don’t do it!’*

“...which the LORD your God has divided *for signs and seasons* unto all nations under all the heavens” (v 19). This does not mean by any stretch of the imagination that Israel alone was to worship God, and the rest of the world could worship these other things: sun, moon, stars, animals and so forth. ***NO!***

He just says that He’s given the heavens for everybody on earth! Wherever you are on earth, you can look up and see the heavens. Wherever you are on earth you have the animals, the birds, the fish. Why worship those? *God has created them!* There’s the warning!

Deut. 5—Moses is reiterating the Ten Commandments. I want to follow up on what the children of Israel said after they heard the voice of God, they said, ‘Moses, you go near to God and you speak to us and all that God says, we will do.’

Deuteronomy 5:27: ““You go near and hear all that the LORD our God shall say. And you speak to us all that the LORD our God shall speak to you, and we will hear *it*, and do *it*.” And the LORD heard the voice of your words when you spoke to me. And the LORD said to me, ‘I have heard the voice of the words of this people, which they have spoken to you. They have well *said* all that they have spoken.’” They were well-intended in what they spoke. But there’s a problem:

Verse 29: “Oh, that there were such a heart in them that they would fear Me and keep all My commandments always ^[#1]**so that it might be well with them and with their children forever!**”

The Law can help change your behavior, but it cannot spiritually convert your heart and mind. It says in Psa. 19 that it *converts the heart*, but ***only with the Spirit!***

Even having the Ten Commandments here in America, even the monuments that they have done. There is great feudality in that there is a Catholic catechism version with the second commandment removed and the tenth commandment expanded to two, and there is the Protestant/Jewish version that includes the second commandment the way that God gave it.

The people, although they claim it and are well-intended in what they are saying in that they want the monuments, but how many of those very people are lying, cheating, stealing, committing adultery and all of this sort of thing.

- How many of them are there keeping

Sunday? 99.9% of them!

- What are they doing with their mouth and actions? *They're mocking God!*

Just like Israelites always do, 'We'll do it.' They're well-intended, but their hearts are not right. That's why Christ came to reveal the Father and to reveal the spiritual fullness of the commandments of God. There's a greater reason for them than having them engraved on a monument, or put on your right hand like the Jews today. They have this phylactery and there's a little container there and they have some of the Laws of God written there. They have it strapped up in just the right way and they have a little phylactery, a little box that they put up on their forehead because it's to be in your hand and between your eyes.

Christ says that it's to be in your heart! So, these physical things that they did exemplified the fact that it's not in their heart. They didn't have the heart.

Verse 32: "And you shall be careful to do as the LORD your God has commanded you. You shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left. You shall walk in all the ways which the LORD your God has commanded you so that you may live and ^[#2]**that it may be well with you...**" (vs 32-33) There's nothing harsh, mean or bad about the Laws of God; God intended them for the well-being of all human beings.

"...and you may prolong *your* days in the land which you shall possess" (v 33). That you don't have war, famine, drought, childhood diseases, all these things that come along from going against God.

Deut. 6 is very interesting, because we come down here and we see in three places within eight verses—almost every other verse—"...that it go well with you..."

Deuteronomy 6:1: "Now, these *are* the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments which the LORD our God commanded to teach you so that you might do *them* in the land where you go to possess it, that you might fear the LORD your God, to keep all His statutes and His commandments which I command you, you, and your son, and your son's son, all the days of your life, and **so that your days may be prolonged.** Hear therefore, O Israel, and be diligent to *observe* it, ^[#3]**so that it may be well with you,** and that you may greatly multiply, as the LORD God of our fathers has promised you, in the land that flows with milk and honey" (vs 1-3).

Now we are coming into a spiritual application of the Laws of God, which shows what God fully intended. By the way, Deuteronomy means *the second giving of the Law*.

Verse 4: "Hear, O Israel. Our one God is *the* LORD, *the* LORD." That doesn't mean singular in person; that means *one as defined by the Bible and by Jesus, Who said, 'I and My Father are one,' though They are two beings!*

Verse 5: "And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart..." This is what God wanted. He said, 'they didn't have the heart to do it.' But He still put it here to let them know what He really desired. That's where He wants everything to begin with the heart. There are only a few people in the Old Testament who are able to do that.

David was a man after God's heart, but look how mightily he sinned. That's a shame. After that he had to have a 'thorn in the flesh' to even keep him in line. Then there was Josiah, whose heart was tender and repented; turned to God with all his heart. Then Ezra, who set his heart to know the Law of God! Because of Ezra we have what is called the Old Testament today because he was led of God to compile the whole Old Testament out of all the books that were there.

Verse 5: "And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might." Jesus quotes this in Matt. 22:37-40.

Verse 6: "And these words, which I command you this day, shall be in your heart." That's where God wanted them, even though they didn't have the heart to do it. Why didn't they have the heart to do it? *Because they were never given the Holy Spirit of God!*

We're going to see another prophecy of God on circumcision of the heart in Deut. 10. Again, God is showing that's what He desired, but they didn't have the heart to do it, and it really couldn't be done until Christ came to show the way.

Then it says to teach them to your children, etc. All the way through the book of Deut. you will find the warnings:

- beware lest you forget
- do not forget
- remember to obey
- you have been rebellious from the day that I knew you
- you're a stiff-necked people

Deut. 10—first part tells how Moses had to hew two more tablets of stone, take them up to God and He wrote on those the original Ten Commandments again.

Here is a spiritual lesson for us today, and this can only really truly be accomplished with the spirit of God. So, this is a witness to them and it is

also a prophecy for us.

Deuteronomy 10:12: “And now, Israel...” What I’ve done is put my name there, because God is a personal God and everything He has is personally for us. So, put your name there.

“...what does the LORD your God require of you but to fear the LORD your God...” (v 12).

- hold Him in awe
- hold Him in reverence
- hold Him in deep worship

“...to walk in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, to keep the commandments of the LORD, and His statutes which I command you today for your good?” (vs 12-13).

Go through the rest of the book of Deuteronomy and see how many times God says, “...for your good...” and “...that it may be well with you...” It’s incredible, and yet, ministers stand up and hat the Law of God.

Verse 14: “Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens *belong* to the LORD your God, the earth also, with all that is in it. Only the LORD had a delight in your fathers to love them, and He chose their seed after them, you above all people, as *it is* today” (vs 14-15).

The thing that is fantastic about this is that the Passover actually began with Abraham, when you fully understand it. That’s why we are called *Abraham’s seed!* With the covenant that God gave to Abraham, He bound himself to perform His oath to Abraham.

So, this could not depend upon the goodness of the children of Israel, but the promise of God. That’s why with the covenant that He gave to Israel—since it was not yet time to give the Holy Spirit—He gave the Law and hints of what is really needed to do the Law and keep the commandments, especially here in the book of Deuteronomy. Actually, we will see a prophecy of Christ that has a profound effect on the New Testament.

Sacrifices before Abraham were burnt offerings and peace offerings; they were not sin offerings, they were patriarchal offerings, which ceased with the beginning of the nation of Israel.

One of the things that people say is that the commandments of God did not exist before the Flood and they did not exist until the Law was given to Moses. ***That is actually an insane proposition,*** because that’s well over 2,000 years without any Law. How can God convict anyone of sin is there is

no Law ***Where there is no Law, there is no sin! And they do not understand Rom. 5!***

That’s why there is so much confusion in ‘religion’ today, because people have opinions. Opinions are not wrong; asking questions is right. But you have to ask the right questions, and you have to come up with the right answers. If you have an opinion that is contrary to the Word of God—though you strongly believe it—and it’s not true, you’re believing something that is not true. It’s just that simple. The same force of belief that people use to believe the Truth, they also believe a lie!

So, they were there because of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; we are here because of Abraham. If we basically belong to some of the 12 tribes of Israel, it’s because of Isaac and Jacob. We are like Isaac (Gal. 4).

Again, showing what God requires, but it couldn’t be done without the Holy Spirit, v 16: “Therefore, circumcise the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stiff-necked.” That could not come until Christ came, and the circumcision made without hands is done by baptism for the forgiveness of sin and by the begetting of the Holy Spirit that God gives you. That changes the mind, that converts! That’s the beginning of the conversion of the mind! That is called ***circumcision of the heart!*** God is showing in sort of a prophecy *that’s what He really wants.*

Verse 17: “For the LORD your God *is* God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, the mighty and awesome God Who does not respect persons nor take a bribe. He executes justice for the fatherless and widow, and loves the stranger in giving him food and clothing. Therefore, love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt” (vs 17-19). There we have projection of it.

Deuteronomy 11:1: “Therefore, you shall love the LORD your God, and keep His charge and His statutes and His judgments and His commandments always.”

- What is the advantage to having the commandments of God written in your heart and mind ***vs*** just having them just on paper or engraved on a stone?
- ***We need this study and to teach the Word of God!***

What is the advantage of having God’s Spirit within you?

- it gives you the desire to love God
- when you sin it pricks your conscience

Carnal-minded people, without the Spirit of God, when they sin it doesn’t prick their conscience. You can see that with the crime and things that are going

on in the world today.

Look at the man who was convicted of rape and he didn't want to go to jail so he killed three people and beat up a bailiff. They shouldn't have women as bailiffs handling terrible violent criminals. He stole her gun, shot her, shot the judge, shot the court recorder and one of the other bailiffs.

All of that shows that there is no conscience in the human mind. When it gives itself over to sin and no longer has any feeling, they've given themselves 'past feeling,' as the Bible says. That's why they were to be executed. You will notice that in the Old Testament there are no jails or prisons, which would be a good way to run the land.

You are either dead and can no longer perpetrate anymore crimes because of the severity of your crime. Or you are working to make restitution for your crime, and when you're done making restitution, you are going to be absolutely sure that you are not going to do that again. *No jails!*

In this second giving of the Law, you have some projections forward to the New Covenant, and you will see a tremendous prophecy of Christ in just a minute. Remember, all through the Old Testament, you have those projections and prophecies of Christ. Even right after the sin of Adam and eve, we find a prophecy that a Messiah was needed to save them.

Here in the book of Deuteronomy we see a lot of New Testament principles and that why it is called the second giving of the Law.

Verse 13: "And it will be, if you will hearken diligently to My commandments, which I command you today, to love the LORD your God and to serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul.... [New Testament command] ...then I will give the rain of your land in its due season, the first rain and the latter rain, that you may gather in your grain and your wine and your oil. And I will send grass in your fields for your livestock so that you may eat and be full. Take heed to yourselves that your heart may not be deceived, and you turn aside and serve other gods, and worship them" (vs 13-16).

When you read through the whole book of Deuteronomy, see all of the things that are projections forward to the New Testament, and all the warnings: *beware lest forget; beware, beware, beware!* Remember that there are *bewares* in the New Testament. The first one is *beware of false prophets!* That's one of the first things that Jesus said. Then He said, 'beware, for many shall come in My name saying that *I am Christ*, and deceive many!' Also, *beware not to be led astray!*

So, out of it all, once you have the veil of Moses lifted from you and you can read it without

the veil, you will see that the Bible is a complete whole!

Verse 18: "Therefore, you shall lay up these My words in your hearts and in your souls, and bind them for a sign upon your hands so that they may be as frontlets between your eyes." *As a man thinks in his heart, so he is!*

If you have Christ in your heart, the laws and commandments of God in your heart, that's how you are, and you're being formed and recreated in the image of Christ, from within! You're already in the physical image of what God is in reality. This is a tremendous thing here!

Verse 22: "For if you shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you to do—to love the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways, and to hold fast to Him, then the LORD will drive out all these nations from before you, and you shall possess greater and mightier nations than you" (vs 22-23). He set before you blessings and cursings.

Do we have blessings and cursings in the New Testament? *Of course we do!* The final curse is worse than anything that the Israelites would receive. If you reject God and willfully disobey, what is your fate? *The Lake of Fire!*

I have always used Deut. 17 as instruction that every minister should follow. No that he would be a king, but the principle here is so that the king would not be lifted up above his brethren.

Deuteronomy 17:15: "You shall surely set a king over you, whom the LORD your God shall choose. You shall set a king over you from among your brethren. You may not set a stranger over you who is not your brother. Only he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, so as to multiply horses because the LORD has said to you, 'You shall not return that way again.' Nor shall he multiply wives to himself, so that his heart does not turn away...." (vs 15-17). The third king—Solomon—did that!

"...Nor shall he greatly multiply silver and gold to himself. And it shall be, when he sits on the throne of his kingdom, **he shall write for himself a copy of this Law in a book** from that which is in the custody of the priests the Levites" (vs 17-18). That's what the king was to do!

I think the only who ever did it was David. In the special little tabernacle he had in his house, where he housed the Ark of the Covenant after it was brought back from Kirjath Jearim, he had the priests there who would administer where the Ark of the Covenant was. Remember what was in the sides of the Ark of the Covenant? *The Law written in scrolls!* So, David could take it out, and I'm sure that one of the priests would take it out and give it to

David, and I'm sure that he wrote himself a copy of this Law as evidenced by *Psa. 119: how I love Your Law; how I love your commandments*. A very high spiritual exaltation of the Laws of God.

I think that this should apply to every minister this way: *that he should know and understand the whole Bible from one end to the other, because that is his obligation before God!* So that he can teach the brethren in the right ways of God. It's not going to come unless whomever is the minister diligently applies himself to the effort to do so. That was one of the reasons why I wanted to study and know the Greek. I wish I would have had the time in my life to study and know the Hebrew; I think that would be fantastic.

Verse 19: "And it shall be with him, and **he shall read it all the days of his life...**" He was to read the Law of God every day! What for? *Because the king was the one who was the final administrator of the Law, along with the high priest!* He had to know it!

"...so that he may learn to fear the LORD his God..." (v 19). When you read, study and learn... We are today we are learning how to be the kings and priests under Christ. ***We are learning the basic essentials necessary for eternal life!***

"...to keep all the words of this Law and these statutes, to do them **so that his heart may not be lifted up above his brethren...**" (vs 19-20).

Remember what Jesus told the apostles when they were arguing about 'who was going to be the greatest.' He said, 'You're not going to be as the kings of Gentiles who lord it over them, and you're not going to be as the great ones—the religious leaders—who are called *benefactors*. The Church can function very well without a hierarchy!

"...and that he does not turn aside from the commandment, to the right or the left, to the end that he may prolong *his* days in his kingdom, he and his children, in the midst of Israel" (v 20).

The way that it functions the best without a hierarchy is when the elders are on the sideline and just oversee the Church and teach the brethren. The brethren need to be taught so they can live and run their lives *before God* without holding the hand of the minister. That you can make your own decisions in your own life without having to run pitter-patter to the minister to ask what he thinks.

It's good to give council and help people who have questions, that is true, but the ultimate purpose of it is that you're going to be kings and priests. Should you also not take this and apply it to your life? To read and study and know the Bible? *Of course! These words are eternal!* So that **when you**

are born again into the Kingdom of God you are going to be equipped to function as a spirit being!

Nation Geographic puts out a DVD *In the Womb!* What they have discovered is that the baby in the womb is practicing everything that it needs to survive when it's born. It opens its eyes, its mouth, and in the later part of its development it actually consumes one pint of amniotic fluid per day. It can hear the mother and gets used to the smells and sounds and taste of the food as it comes into the blood stream. It can hear music. And guess what sets them off in a bad way? *Rock music, rap music!* Guess what soothes them? *Symphony music! Classical music!*

All classical music is not good, but there's a lot of good classical music. All rock music essentially is wrong because it has a wrong beat and cadence. That beat and cadence is meant to mess up the mind of those who listen to it. That's why teenagers are rebellious when they blast it straight into their ears through these headphones. Then they go to these rock concerts and their brains are blasted. Add to that drugs, and no wonder they can't do anything.

Anyway, they used all their arms, muscles and their legs. They are actually walking in the womb in preparation for birth! All of you women who have been kicked in the ribs by your babies understand that. Delores said that our kids always got her under a certain rib and she would have to push him down. But there is a great analogy.

{Note book: *From a Speck of Dust to a Son of God: Why Were You Born?*}

The truth is, just like a babe in the womb—because Jerusalem above is the mother of us all; the Church isn't the mother, but Jerusalem above—we are being trained in everything necessary for the beginning of eternal life. Maybe you've never thought of it that way, but that's what some of these things are projecting forward to, even in the book of Deuteronomy.

Verse 20: "So that his heart may not be lifted up above his brethren, and that he does not turn aside from the commandment, to the right or the left, to the end that he may prolong *his* days in his kingdom, he and his children, in the midst of Israel." You can project that forward:

- we will be in the Kingdom of God
- we will live forever

Deuteronomy 18:9: "When you come to the land which the LORD your God gives you..." Here they were camped at the River Jordan ready to go across and take over the land, and they could see it. Remember that Moses didn't go in because he didn't

believe the Lord on one thing: God told Moses to 'speak to the rock' and the water would come, and he *beat* the rock. God said, 'You're not going into the land.' Sometimes the judgment is pretty tough. Moses didn't say, 'Lord, You know my heart.'

"...you shall not learn to do according to the abominations of those nations" (v 9). We read earlier that Babylon the Great is the mother of all the abominations on the earth.

Verse 10: "There shall not be found among you anyone who makes his son or his daughter to pass through the fire..."—unto Molech; we are sacrificing children through abortion to another god of Molech today.

"...or that uses divination... [witchcraft, familiar spirits] ...or an observer of times, or a fortuneteller, or a witch, or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or one who seeks oracles from the dead. For all that do these things *are* an abomination to the LORD. And because of these abominations, the LORD your God drives them out from before you. **You shall be blameless before the LORD your God**" (vs 10-13). That's New Testament doctrine!

Matthew 5:48: "Therefore, you shall be perfect, even as your Father Who *is* in heaven is perfect." That is the goal that is set for us. That's why we're doing what we're doing.

What happens when people get wrapped up in 'religion' and the 'politics of religion,' they miss the whole point of what God is doing. They become hierarchical and structured, and you cutoff the learning and growth through the Holy Spirit of God. That doesn't mean that everything just becomes laissez faire with no control or oversight at all. It just is the extension of the things in there. They can't become perfect.

Deuteronomy 18:14: "For these nations whom you shall possess hearkened to observers of times and to diviners; but as for you, the LORD your God has not allowed you *to do so*."

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The occult holiday of Halloween is also paving the way for the coming antichrist. *The DiVinci Code* is paving the way for the antichrist. Do people love 'the wise'? *Yes!* There were close to 7-million of those books and a movie was produced. Everyone is going to believe that 'there may be some truth to that. Maybe Jesus was married. Maybe Mary Magdalene did have a daughter.' When the antichrist comes, what a perfect claim. 'I have the blood of Jesus in me.' It could happen. I'm saying that it will, but what better credibility would the

world receive?

Back to the true Messiah; here is the summation of everything leading up to it, a prophecy of Christ:

Verse 15: "The LORD your God will raise up unto you a Prophet from the midst of you, of your brethren, One like me. **To Him you shall hearken...** [you're under obligation to hear Him] ...according to all that you desired of the LORD your God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, so that I do not die.' And the LORD said to me, 'They have spoken well what they have spoken'" (vs 15-17).

Here God took them up on their judgment, and it didn't come until Christ came as God manifested in the flesh. They didn't want to hear the Word of God in power, but they wanted to listen to a man. So, God came as a man and spoke to them. Did they listen to Him? *Some did, but not very many!*

Talk about the power of a carnal mind. Unless God opens it is a steel trapdoor slammed shut, locked and welded.

Verse 18: "I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, *One* like you... [the prophesied seed of David, son of Abraham] ...and will put My words in His mouth. And He shall speak to them all that I shall command Him." Isn't that what Jesus said?

- I speak nothing of Myself
- I do nothing of Myself
- as I hear, I speak
- as the Father gave Me commandments, this I do

Verse 19: And it shall come to pass... [now it gets more dramatic, and the punishment more severe than just being cutoff from among His people] ...whatever man will not hearken to My words, which He shall speak in My name, **I will require it of him.** *Everyone is going to give an account of himself to God!*

Now, here's for all ministers, elders, preachers, cardinals, popes, bishops, imams, whatever self-styled prophets:

Verse 20: "But the prophet **who shall presume** to speak a word in My name, **which I have not commanded him to speak...** [Christianized pagan festivals that God never commanded] ...or who shall speak in the name of other gods, even **that prophet shall die.**"

Jesus spoke of it in those same words; John 12:37: "Although He had done so many miracles in

their presence, they did not believe in Him”—because He didn’t join the Pharisees. Books have been written about Jesus the Pharisee. ***He was never a Pharisee!***

Jesus was taught directly by God the Father. Since Jesus taught things that they didn’t teach and were against the teachings of Judaism, and against the power structure of the priesthood, scribes and Pharisees, do you not think that the rabbi who would have taught Jesus—had He been taught by a rabbi—that they wouldn’t have taken him and killed him? For teaching such radical things? *Of course; they killed Christ!*

That’s why Jesus could not have been an ordinary Jew, as some people claim. He could not have been taught by the rabbis; ***He was taught by God the Father!*** Why put Him, as a young child, into the hands of lying ‘religious’ people? Some of the things that people write...! Just because it’s in a book doesn’t mean it’s true. That’s why we’re to prove all things.

Verse 38: “So that the word of Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled who said, ‘Lord, who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?’ For this *very* reason they could not believe because again Isaiah said, ‘He has blinded their eyes and hardened their hearts so that they would not see with *their* eyes and understand with *their* hearts, and be converted, and I would heal them’” (vs 38-40).

That’s a tough Scripture to take! This is the exact opposite of Protestantism. God is not trying to save everyone now; He’s only calling a few and the rest He has blinding so He can save them later. That’s the truth of it! God loves them and He’s not going to call million and billions of people, because there are not that many who are going to repent. That’s an astounding Scripture, quoted by Jesus quoting Isaiah!

Verse 41: “Isaiah said these things when he saw His glory and spoke concerning Him. ***But*** even so, many among the rulers believed in Him; ***but...***” (vs 41-42).

There are two words that cause a lot of difficulty: *if* and *but*.

“...because of the Pharisees they did not confess *Him*, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue... [they weren’t willing to stand for the Truth] ...for ***they loved the glory of men more than the glory of God***” (vs 42-43). In short, they were politicians on a power trip! Sound familiar? We’ve all experienced that!

Verse 44: “Then Jesus called out and said, ‘The one who believes in Me does not believe in Me, but in Him Who sent Me.... [notice how this

clearly fulfills Deut. 18 about *that Prophet*] ...And the one who sees Me sees Him Who sent Me. I have come *as* a light into the world so that everyone who believes in Me may not remain in darkness. ***But if*** anyone hears My words and does not believe, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world, but to save the world. The one who rejects Me and does not receive My words has one who judges him; the Word... [the whole message] ...which I have spoken, that shall judge him in the last day” (vs 44-48).

All of those who don’t like Jesus, they’re all going to have to stand before the judgment seat of Christ and give account *for every idle word!* When we understand that, does that not help us in our relationship with God? *and* in our relationships with everyone else? *Yes, it does when we realize that that is so!*

Verse 49: “For I have not spoken from Myself; but ***the Father, Who sent Me, gave Me commandment Himself,*** what I should say and what I should speak. And I know that His commandment is eternal life. Therefore, whatever I speak, I speak exactly as the Father has told Me” (vs 49-50).

This gives us an awful lot of gravity and sense of responsibility in handling the Word of God. Can’t be handled lightly; has to be handled honestly, dedicated to the Truth of God, the love of God and everything that is there. All of that is implied there, and remember that He spoke this just a short time before He was crucified.

There is the judgment, and ***how the Law of Moses reads without the veil!*** When you read the Law of Moses, once you have had your heart and mind circumcised through the circumcision of Christ through baptism and the receiving of the Holy Spirit of God, ***then you view the Laws of God entirely differently from a spiritual perspective!***

You can read them, study them and know them from a way that is entirely different from those who do not have the Spirit of God.

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