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THE DOCTRINE THAT PAUL TAUGHT WAS IT AGAINST THE LAW, PROPHETS, AND THE APOSTLES?

Most of our present day Christian preachers teach against the Law, Prophets and most important Jesus Himself. By making statements such as, "we don't have to keep that old law its been nailed to the cross." These preachers use the books of Paul to make that statement. If that were true, that would mean no one would be able to sin. Why? Because if there is no law there is no sin. Sin is not imputed or no blame can be accredited to any person when there is no law. But, in I John 3:4 it states, "whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law." So if the law was nailed to the cross that would mean its okay to use the Lords name in vain, put other gods before HIM, make graven images and bow before them, pollute the Sabbath day, steal, commit murder, commit adultery and bear false witness. If all these things are okay to commit, then we might as well throw the Bible out the back door and do what ever feels good to us. Today we will find out what law was nailed to the cross. We will see that Paul was in fact a law keeper and how he preached out of the Law and the Prophets. Now let's begin by taking a look at both of the laws and how they worked together. We will see there were two laws given to Moses, they were the commandments and the sacrificial law. Watch how they worked together.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a soul shall **sin through ignorance** against any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which ought not to be done, and shall do against any of them: **(Leviticus 4:1-2)**

The law in the scriptures above is the commandments. Notice something else very important in these two scriptures. It states, "if a soul shall sin through ignorance." Notice that the scripture did not says on purpose. Why? There is no sacrifice for a sin that is committed willfully. Let's find out what was to be done if a person committed a sin against the Lord unintentionally. Let's skip down to the 27th verse and take a look at the second law (which is the sacrificial law).

And if any one of the common people **sin through ignorance**, while he doeth somewhat against any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which ought not to be done, and be guilty; Or if his sin, which he hath sinned, **come to his knowledge**: then **he shall bring his offering**, a kid of the goats, a female **without blemish**, for his sin which he hath sinned. And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slay the sin offering in the place of the burnt offering. And the priest shall take of the blood thereof with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar. **(Leviticus 4:27-30)**

When the common people sinned through ignorance and it came to their knowledge, what did they have to do? They brought an offering, a kid of the goats, a female without blemish, for their sin which they had committed, then the priest would offer the animal to the Lord. Think about this for a moment. If an animal was killed for a person that committed sin, what will happen to us today if we a trespass against the Lord? We will find that out later. Now we see how the

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sacrificial law was used when a person broke a commandment unintentionally. Let's go into Paul's writings and take another look at both of these laws. We will go into the Book of Galatians chapter 3. This is one of the chapters that the majority of Christian preachers use to do away with the Lord's commandments. Now, let's read carefully!

Wherefore then serveth the law? **It was added** because of transgressions, **till the seed should come** to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator. **(Galatians 3:19)**

Take heed to what Paul's says above, "Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions." What is transgression? Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. (I John 3:4) Transgression is braking of the commandments. What law was added because of the braking of the law? The sacrificial law! Paul is simply asking these Gentiles, "why perform the sacrificial law? It was added because of sin until the seed should come. Who is the seed? Let's back up in this chapter and find out.

Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, and to seeds, as of many; but as of one, and **to thy seed, which is Christ.** **(Galatians 3:16)**

Who is the SEED? CHRIST! So, this law was added (which is the sacrificial law) until Christ came. What was the sacrificial law used for until Christ came?

Wherefore **the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ**, that we might be justified by faith. **(Galatians 3:24)**

The sacrificial law was our schoolmaster to bring us to Christ. Before we continue, we must clear one thing up. Are we justified by faith alone? Let's see. Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law. (Romans 3:31) What law is established? Certainly not the sacrificial law, we have seen above that it was added because of transgression until the Seed came (which was Christ). The law established forever is the Lords commandments! Now, let's back up in this chapter to the third verses and point out the two sets of laws.

Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now **made perfect by the flesh?** **(Galatians 3:3)**

The spirit in this case is the word of God, but pay close attention to what Paul says at the end of the verse. "Are ye now made perfect by the flesh?" Can we be made perfect by the flesh? What flesh is Paul talking about? Let's go to the book of Hebrews and find out.

For **the law** having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with **those sacrifices** which they offered year by year continually make the **comers**

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thereunto perfect. (Hebrews 10:1)

The flesh Paul spoke of was the animal sacrifices. Notice what the verse says, "never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect." That's pretty clear don't you think? Let's go back to Galatians chapter 3 and take note how Paul uses the word "law" but does not say this is the sacrificial law or the Commandments. But as we read further in the chapter we will see the difference between the two.

For as many as are of the **works of the law are under the curse:** for it is written, **Cursed is every one that continueth not** in all things which are written in the **book of the law** to do them. **(Galatians 3:10)**

We have both Laws with in this verse. In the first part of the verse where it states, "For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse:" This law is the sacrificial law, let's skip to the 13th verse and we will see this clearly.

Christ hath redeemed us from the **curse of the law**, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: **(Galatians 3:13)**

Notice what's being said, "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us." How was he made a curse for us? He took on our sins and redeemed us from the curse of the sacrificial law which could never take away sin. Now take a look at the next set of verses and we will see indeed that only the sacrificial law was nailed to the cross.

And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, **which was contrary to us**, and **took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;** **(Colossians 2:13-14)**

Notice this, "He quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross. Why was this law (which is the sacrificial law) contrary to us? Notice this in Hebrews the 10th chapter;

For **it is not possible** that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. **(Hebrews 10:4)**

For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. That is why it was contrary to us. The sacrificial law simply could not make us perfect. Now let's look at the second half of the 13th verse in the book of Galatians chapter 3.

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Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, **Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: (Galatians 3:13)** Paul is simply quoting Moses, take a look.

His body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him that day; **(for he that is hanged is accursed of God;)** that thy land be not defiled, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance. **(Deuteronomy 21:23)**

Go into the Book of John chapter 19 verse 31 and you will see that Jesus was removed from the cross before sun down. Let's back up in Galatians chapter 3 to verses 10 and watch how we have a different law in the second half of the verse.

For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, **Cursed is every one that continueth not** in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them. **(Galatians 3:10)**

This law is part of the commandments. Once again Paul, is quoting Moses, let's take a look.

Cursed be he that confirmeth not all the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen. **(Deuteronomy 27:26)**

Let's take a look at some of these laws in Deuteronomy 27th chapter.

Cursed be he that perverteth the judgment of the stranger, fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, Amen. Cursed be he that lieth with his father's wife; because he uncovereth his father's skirt. And all the people shall say, Amen. Cursed be he that lieth with any manner of beast. And all the people shall say, Amen. Cursed be he that lieth with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen. Cursed be he that lieth with his mother in law. And all the people shall say, Amen. Cursed be he that smiteth his neighbour secretly. And all the people shall say, Amen. Cursed be he that taketh reward to slay an innocent person. And all the people shall say, Amen. Cursed be he that confirmeth not all the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen. **(Deuteronomy 27:19-26)**

After reading through some of these commandments ask yourself, what's wrong with these laws? If we say we are followers of the Lord shouldn't we keep ourselves from doing these things? Yes! If the sacrificial law was the only law taken away when Jesus was nailed to the cross, which would mean all the other laws are still intact. Commandments, High and Holy Sabbaths, weekly Sabbaths and the Dietary law . We can't stop here. Let's go to the Book of I Timothy chapter one and see if Paul kills the Lords commandments.

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Now **the end of the commandment is charity** out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned: **(I Timothy 1:5)**

What does he mean the end of the commandment is charity? What is charity? It means love fore mankind correct? Now take a look at these verses in the Book of Romans.

Owe no man any thing, **but to love one another**: for he that loveth another hath **fulfilled the law**. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, **Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself**. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: **therefore love is the fulfilling of the law**. **(Romans 13:8-10)**

Take heed to what Paul says, "love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love (which is charity) is the fulfilling of the law. Paul says, "If you LOVE your neighbor you will not, commit adultery, kill, steal, bear false witness nor covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. Once again Paul is quoting from the books Moses! As a matter of fact Paul was quoting the Lord God, remember the Lord gave the Laws to Moses. Take a look.

Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's. **(Exodus 20:13-17)**

What do we see here? We see Paul is inline with the rest of the Bible. He is not trying to do away with the Lords commandments. It is the false prophets that do not read the entire book from Genesis to Revelation! They are trying to do away with the Lord's laws. Paul was well aware that the law was to be kept. Pay close attention to what the Chief Apostles says about Paul's writings.

Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless. And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you; **As also in all his epistles**, speaking in them of these things; **in which are some things hard to be understood**, which they that are **unlearned and unstable wrest**, as they do also the other scriptures, **unto their own destruction**. Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the **error of the wicked**, fall from your own stedfastness. **(II Peter 3:14-17)**

Pay very close attention to what Peter says, "in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are **unlearned and unstable wrest**, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction." If we are not familiar

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with the whole Bible, we will never get any understanding of the Word of God. My advice to those that are seeking the Lord, read the entire Bible, don't start at the Book of Acts and stop at the Book of Hebrews. Read from the beginning to the end, meaning from Genesis to Revelation. Now let's go back to the book of I Timothy and pick up where we left off...

From which some having swerved have turned aside unto vain jangling; Desiring to be teachers of the law; understanding neither what they say, nor whereof they affirm. But we know that the law is good, if a man use it lawfully; Knowing this, that **the law is not made for a righteous man**, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, **(I Timothy 1:6-8)**

Notice what Paul says, "we know that the law is good, if a man use it lawfully. Knowing this that the law is not made for a righteous man." Why isn't the law for the righteous? If we are righteous we are keeping the law. Remember the Biblical definition of sin is; whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. (I John 3:4) So the law is for whom? For the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for men stealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine. Looks like Paul is preaching "keep the law" like the rest of the Lord's disciples. The people that teach against the Lord's commandments teach traditions of men. Now let's take a look at II Timothy chapter 4. This is one of the places where these ungodly preachers go to try to do away with the Lord's dietary law. Pay close attention and we will see these verses have to do with a religious organization and not to do away with the Lord's dietary law.

Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the **latter times** some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and **doctrines of devils; (I Timothy 4:1)**

Notice this, "in the latter times some shall depart from the faith." In the latter or final times some will depart or leave the belief. Doctrines of devils? Here are a few of them; Sunday is the Lord's day, believe in the Lord only without works and make it into the kingdom of heaven, born again already and so on and so on. Let's skip to the third verse;

Forbidding to marry, and commanding **to abstain from meats**, which God hath **created to be received** with thanksgiving of them which **believe and know the truth. (I Timothy 4:3)**

We cannot skip the part of the verse where it states, "Forbidding to marry." Remember in the first verse it says, "that in latter time some shall depart from the faith." Forbidding to marry is braking one of the Lord's first commandments that was given to man, which was, to be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth. What organization forbids its ministers to marry? The Roman Catholic church. Pick up your encyclopedia and look up the "Benedictine Order" and you will see exactly what Paul is talking about. What does Paul mean to abstain from meats, which were

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created to be received? Who does this, during the pagan festival called "Lent"? The Roman Catholic Church. Now, let's take a look at the next verse and see where these unlearned and unstable preachers try to kill the Lord's dietary law.

For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving: **(I Timothy 4:4)**

Every creature is good that God created and they all serve a purpose, but these false prophets always skip the next verse. Take a look.

For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer. **(I Timothy 4:5)**

What does sanctified mean? It means set apart. The meats that are created to be received are set apart in Leviticus the 11th chapter. Only those who know and believe the truth know that we cannot pray over meats, which God has deemed unclean. If we eat unclean meats that are not created to be received, we have transgressed the Lord's commandments. The Lord does not hear a prayer of a sinner. Let's take a look at the prophet Isaiah and see what the Lord Jesus thinks about people that eat unclean meats.

I am sought of them that asked not for me; I am found of them that sought me not: I said, Behold me, behold me, unto a nation that was not called by my name. I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, which walketh in a way that was not good, **after their own thoughts;** A people that provoketh me to anger continually to my face; that sacrificeth in gardens, and burneth incense upon altars of brick; Which remain among the graves, and lodge in the monuments, **which eat swine's flesh, and broth of abominable things is in their vessels;** Which say, Stand by thyself, come not near to me; for I am holier than thou. **These are a smoke in my nose, a fire that burneth all the day. (Isaiah 65:1-5)**

Take heed to what the Lord says about people who eat swine's flesh (PIG), "These are a smoke in my nose, a fire that burneth all the day." Notice something else, "Which say, Stand by thyself, come not near to me; for I am holier than thou." This lets us know these aren't the people in the streets, such as the dope man, pimps or prostitutes, these are so-called church people. Why? When is the last time you've heard a dope pusher say, "I'm holier than thou." Never! Let's take a look what will happen to these so-called church people that eat things that are an abomination unto us.

For **by fire** and by **his sword** will the LORD plead with all flesh: and **the slain of the LORD shall be many.** They **that sanctify themselves,** and purify themselves in the gardens behind one tree in the midst, **eating swine's flesh,** and the abomination, and the mouse, **shall be consumed together,** saith the LORD. **(Isaiah 66:16-17)**

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Notice what the LORD said, "the slain of the LORD shall be many. They that sanctify themselves, eating swine's flesh, and the abomination, shall be consumed together," saith the LORD. Why will they be consumed? And the swine, though he divide the hoof, and be clovenfooted, yet he cheweth not the cud; he is unclean to you. Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; they are unclean to you. (**Leviticus 11:7-8**) For I am the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I am holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with

any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. (**Leviticus 11:44**) Remember sin is the transgression of the Law! Eating the pig is breaking of the Lord's commandments. Now let's return to Paul's writings and see where the unlearned use scripture to say Lord's Sabbath was done away with.

And upon the first day of the week, **when the disciples came together to break bread**, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight. (**Acts 20:7**)

Pay close attention to what's being said. The verse states, "Upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread." What were the disciples doing? They were simply eating, and talking about the Word of God. The next part of the verse, "Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight." The verse says, "Continued his speech until midnight." If he preached until midnight when did he begin his speech? Remember the beginning of the verse said, "Upon the first day of the week." The Lord's days begins at sundown. When the verse states upon the first day of the week it was sundown on the 7th day of the week and his speech continue on into the first day of the week. Let's skip to the 11th verse.

When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, **even till break of day, so he departed.** (**Acts 20:11**)

Where did we see in these verses, thus sayeth the Lord God of Israel, "My Sabbath day will not be kept because Paul preached from sundown on the 7th day of the week, until sunup on the first day of the week." These unlearned and unstable preachers teach this. Nowhere from Genesis to Revelations can we read that the Lords Sabbath day has been taken away or changed to the first day of the week. Now, Let see if Paul observed the Lord's Sabbath day.

Now when Paul and his company loosed from Pathos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia: and John departing from them returned to Jerusalem. But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and **went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and sat down.** (**Acts 13:13-14**)

What did Paul and his company do? Went into the synagogue on the **Sabbath** day, and sat down. Why would Paul do that? Because it is the LAW! (Six days shall work be done: but the seventh

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day is the Sabbath of rest, an **holy convocation**; ye shall do no work therein: it is the **Sabbath of the LORD** in all your dwellings (**Leviticus 23:3**.) Let's look at the next verse and see what they read.

And after the **reading of the law and the prophets** the rulers of the synagogue sent unto them, saying, Ye men and brethren, if ye have any word of exhortation for the people, say on. (**Acts 13:15**)

What were they reading out of? **The law and the prophets!** Read the rest of this chapter and you will see Paul was quoting out of the Law and the Prophets. Now let's take another look at a place in Paul's writings where the Roman Christians try to avoid the Lord's commandments.

For sin shall not have dominion over you: **for ye are not under the law**, but under grace. (**Romans 6:14**)

What law are we not under? The Sacrificial Law. If we back up or even go forward in this chapter Paul is still talking about sin. If there is no law there is no sin. So why should Paul continue to talk about sin if the law was nailed to the cross? Let's go to Romans chapter 5 and we will see Paul explaining to these Gentiles that if there is no law you cannot sin. Take a look!

For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law. (**Romans 5:13**)

Look at the first part of this verse. "For until the law sin was in the world." What does Paul mean by this? If sin was in the world before this law what does that tell us? Once again we have two laws, as we have seen in Galatians chapter 3. Paul is simply saying, "For until the sacrificial law, sin was in the world." But sin is not imputed when there is no law. What does imputed mean? (Credit to or Blame) Once again, what is the biblical definition of sin? Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. (**I John 3:4**) Take a look at this verse in Galatians again.

Wherefore then serveth the law? **It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come** to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator. (**Galatians 3:19**)

Note what the verse says, "It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come." And who was that SEED? Christ! Once He came, what happened? Let's let the Prophet Daniel answer this question.

And after threescore and two weeks shall **Messiah be cut off, but not for himself:** and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. And he shall

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confirm the covenant with many for one week: and **in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease**, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate. **(Daniel 9:27)**

Note what the scripture says, "after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself." Who was cut off or killed for us? By which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. **(Hebrews 10:10)**

When the Messiah was cut off, what happened? He caused the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, not the Lord commandments. So far we have seen that Paul and the Prophets are on the same page. Let's take a look at Jesus for a moment. What we will do now is see that Jesus was the God of the Old Testament as well as the New and He was in fact the God that gave the commandments to Moses. In the Old Testament, Jesus had entire nations destroyed and individuals stoned to death for breaking His commandments. What makes this modern day Christian think he or she can walk into the kingdom of God on belief alone and no works (which is keeping the law)? Would that be fair to the people that were killed for breaking the Lord Jesus' commandments? No! Let's begin in the book of John chapter one and identify the Lord Jesus in the Old Book.

No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him. **(John 1:18)**

Notice what the verse says, "No man hath seen God at any time." If no man has seen God at anytime that covers all time, correct? Well who is this in the mountain?

And he said unto Moses, Come up unto the LORD, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off. **(Exodus 24:1)**

Here we see the Lord told Moses to bring, Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel to come up unto Him. Let's see what happens next.

Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel: **And they saw the God of Israel:** and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in his clearness. And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also **they saw God**, and did eat and drink. **(Exodus 24:9-10)**

Remember, that in John chapter one verse 18 states, "No man hath seen God at any time." Anytime will cover all time, but above, in Exodus, it states seventy-four people saw the God of Israel. Let go back to the book of John and see exactly what he meant by no man has seen God at any time.

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And **the Father himself**, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. **Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.** (John 5:37)

It is the Father that no man has seen at anytime. Let's let Paul show us that the God that sat in the mountain and was seen by the seventy-four elders of Israel was in fact Jesus the Christ.

Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be **ignorant**, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; And did all eat the same spiritual meat; And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and **that Rock was Christ.** (I Corinthians 10:1-4)

The God that was seen by the seventy-four elders was Christ. Now that we know that the Lord Jesus Himself has given the Laws to Moses in the Old Testament; what makes people think when He came in the flesh He would change His mind. Remember! Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever. (Hebrews 13:8) He is an unchangeable GOD, and He is very predictable. And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou? (Daniel 4:35) Now let us go into the book of Matthew chapter 19, to see how plain, and clear the Lord tells this man how he can obtain eternal life.

And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, **what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?** And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, **keep the commandments.** (Matthew 19:16-17)

Pay close attention to what the man asked the Lord, "what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?" The Lord's respond was, "if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments." Take a look at the next two verses.

He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. (Matthew 19:18-19)

Did the Lord make up new laws? Did he say don't worry about the commandment just believe on me? No! He said keep the Commandments. If we believe in the Lord or have faith in Him, we know that if we do not keep His commandments we will be thrown into the fire at the great white throne judgment. Let's take a look at something else the Lord said and no one is paying any attention to it. Take heed to what the Lord says;

Then one of them, who was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy

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God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. **(Matthew 22:35-38)**

Take note brothers and sister, if we love the Lord with all our mind and body, what would we have accomplished? If we do this, we have just fulfilled the first four commandments. Take a look.

1. Thou shalt have none other gods before me. **(Deuteronomy 5:7)**

2. Thou shalt not make thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters beneath the earth: **(Deuteronomy 5:8)**

3. Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain: for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. **(Deuteronomy 5:9-11)**

4. Keep the Sabbath day to sanctify it, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee. Six days thou shalt labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; that thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou. And remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and that the LORD thy God brought thee out thence through a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: therefore **the LORD thy God commanded thee to keep the Sabbath day. (Deuteronomy 5:12-15)**

If we say we love the Lord, shouldn't we do what he say? Yes! But, the people that call themselves servants of God break all four of the above commandments. How? By putting other gods before Him. What other gods? The god of Sunday that hangs on a cross. The cross is a Roman death symbol and was the instrument used for execution under Roman law. There is nothing holy about the cross. Jesus is very much alive sitting at the right hand of the Father in the third heaven. The people err greatly by reverencing this death symbol. Some of them bow before this cross even kissing the feet of the image that hangs on it. But, they say they love the Lord. The Lord's Sabbath day is the seventh day of the week. But, these people say, "Every day is the Lord's Sabbath day." If that were true no work could be done any day of the week. The scripture clearly states that it is a day of rest and no work is to be done. This day is very important. It is so important that the Lord has placed it among His Royal Laws. Let's return to the Book of Matthew and pick up where we left off.

And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. **(Matthew 22:39)**

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Remember, Paul quoted the above verse in Romans chapter 13 verses 8. If we love our neighbors as we love ourselves we have just fulfilled the last six commandments. We will honor our parents, we will not murder our neighbors, we will not committing adultery with their spouse, we will not stealing from them, we will not bear false witness against them, or covet their property. By doing this what have we done? Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. **(Romans 13:10)** Are we only to obey the Ten Commandments? Let's see what the Lord says next.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. (Matthew 22:40)

All is absolutely correct? If we were to take a look at all the laws, we would see each law would come under one of the Ten Commandments. For example, thou shall not commit adultery. If we do not commit adultery we will not commit any of the sins listed below.

Cursed be he that lieth with his father's wife; because he uncovereth his father's skirt. And all the people shall say, Amen. **(Deuteronomy 27:20)**

Cursed be he that lieth with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen. **(Deuteronomy 27:22)**

Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination. **(Leviticus 18:22)**

By lying only with our husbands or wives, we will not commit any of the above sins. The Lord did say hang all the law and the Prophets on these two commandments correct? That would mean the dietary law outlined in Leviticus chapter 11, and also the Lord's High and Holy Sabbath's outlined in Leviticus chapter 23 must be kept. Now let's go to the book of I John and see what he has to say about people that say, "I know the Lord," but they do not keep the commandments.

He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, **is a liar, and the truth is not in him. (I John 2:4)**

That's very clear don't you think? Let's recap what we have learned before we continue. At the beginning of this lesson we found out that there are two sets of laws, the Commandments and the Sacrificial Law. We have seen that faith alone will not get us eternal life, because faith establishes the law (commandments). We now know the Biblical definition of sin, which is breaking of the Lord's laws not mans. We have also seen that the Lord was our sacrifice once and for all, and His death took away the sacrificial law only, and not the commandments. We have also seen that the Love of God is keeping the commandments and by keeping them we will do no ill will to our neighbors and by observing them we will obtain eternal life. And last but not lease, those who say, "I know the Lord," and keep not His commandments is a liar and the truth is not in them. We have seen Paul has, in no shape or fashion killed the Lord's commandments, but in fact teaches us to keep them. Now that we have establish that the sacrificial law only was nailed to the cross, and not the commandments let's continue. Let's go back into Paul's writings and take

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a look at another place these false prophets try to do away with the Lord's commandment. Let's go into Romans chapter 3.

Therefore by the **deeds** of the **law** there shall **no flesh be justified in his sight**: for by the law is the knowledge of sin. (**Romans 3:20**)

Once again, we have both laws within this verse. Notice the first part of the verse, "by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight." What law is this? It is the sacrificial law. Why? Remember in Hebrews the 10th chapter verse 4 it states, "For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins." So, by the deeds of the sacrificial law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight. Now, look at the second part of the verse, "for by the law is the knowledge of sin." What law is this? The commandments. Why? Sin is the transgression of the law, and if there is no law how would any of us have knowledge of sin. Let's take a look at the next verse.

But now the righteousness of God **without the law is manifested**, being witnessed by the **law and the prophets**; (**Romans 3:21**)

Notice what Paul says, "The righteousness of God without the law is manifested." What law is this? It is the sacrificial law. Why? And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; (**Colossians 2:13-14**). We must understand this one thing brothers and sisters, the Bible never contradicts itself. The false prophets are the ones that contradict the Book. Paul and all the rest of the Prophets and Apostles are on the same page and are teaching us to keep the law. If we are not familiar with the entire bible, we will make the same mistake as these false preachers that think there was only one law given to Moses. Look at the last part of the verse, "being witnessed by the **law and the prophets**." If we read the law and the prophets, once we get to the New Testament we know that Jesus was manifested to take away a law that was contrary to us, that could never take away sin. He became our final sacrifice nailing the blood ordinances to His cross. Let's go into Romans chapter 7 and look at a verse these so call preachers skip over every time.

Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good. (**Romans 7:12**)

Why are the laws holy and the commandments holy, just and good?

For not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the **doers of the law shall be justified.** (**Romans 2:13**)

Notice those that are doers of the law will be justified in the sight of God and not the hearers. In the beginning of this lesson I mentioned, what will happen to us if we continue to sin and who

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would die for us. Of course, Christ has died for only those of us that love Him (remember love is the keeping of the commandment). Once we clean our acts up, start walking in His word, and are baptized in His name, are the past, present and future sins forgiven? Let's take a look at what Paul has to say about this, he will tell us exactly what sins are forgiven. Take a look.

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of **sins that are past**, through the forbearance of God; **(Romans 3:23-25)**

Christ redeemed us or freed us from the curse of the sacrificial law that could never take away sin. What sins are forgiven and whose righteousness is declared? To declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that is past. It is His righteousness not ours. Once we come under the cover of Jesus, our PAST SINS are forgiven only. So, what happens if we sin after our past sin are forgiven? Take heed to the warning our beloved brother Paul is giving us in the Book of Hebrews.

For if we sin willfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth **no more sacrifice for sins**, but a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. **(Hebrews 10:26-27)**

Note what Paul says, "**If we sin willfully** after that we have received the knowledge of the truth there remaineth **no more sacrifice for sins**." Remember in Leviticus how the scripture mentions sinning in ignorance, but when the sin came to the person's knowledge they offered up a clean animal without blemish. Now that the Seed has come there is no more sacrifice for sin. Once we are under the blood of Christ, we are not to sin willfully.

Why?

The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father; neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him. **(Ezekiel 18:20)**

The soul that sins it shall die! What death is Ezekiel talking about? The second death, which is the lake of fire! So, if we continue to sin willfully what should we expect? A certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. Paul is giving us a clear warning when he states, "we are no long under the law (sacrificial law) we are under grace." Meaning no more animals will die for us, we will die for our own sins! But, what will happen to those of us that turn to righteousness?

If the wicked restore the pledge, give again that he had robbed, **walk in the statutes of life**, without committing iniquity; **he shall surely live**, he shall not die. **None of his sins that he hath**

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committed shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live. (Ezekiel 33:15-16)

Brothers and sisters as long as there's breath within us, we still have a chance. There is only one unforgivable sin and that is blaspheming the Holy Ghost, which teaching the word of God wrong and knowing it. His laws are still in tact. Don't let any preacher take eternal life from you, READ THE BIBLE FOR YOURSELF. Those that teach against the Law will have their place in the lake of fire where there will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them. (**Ephesians 5:5-7**) Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. Why? And I say unto you my friends, be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. But I will **forewarn** you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him. (**Luke 12:4-5**)

May the Lord bless them that fear Him and keep His commandments! In Jesus name amen.