



But in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. -

Matthew 15:9

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~~Logic 101~~ Logic LOL

Yes, I have asked my hubby to take over the writing on Friday night but I'm still here. And considering what I've found my snarkiness appears to still be here also. Do I dare to share this with you?

One of my goals in having this website is to encourage you to think for yourself. Don't believe what you are told simply because you have been told to believe it. And that especially holds true if it is coming from a preacher. And I'm not wanting to call preachers bald-faced liars, but I am convinced that they aren't thinking for themselves. They have been just as brainwashed as we have and need just as much help as we do in overcoming the fallacies.

With that said, preachers need to stop and think through their doctrine before presenting it to the public. A couple days ago I saw something posted that someone had commented on. It was too bizarre and I thought it unreal so I did some searching and found it for myself.

A well-known "theologian" (for lack of a better word) has a website where he has posted some really odd theology. When you think it through logically, well, clearly he didn't stop to realize what he was claiming when he wrote this particular article.

No, I won't identify him. That would be too humiliating for him.

Here's what I found:



What is God's definition of sin? "Sin is lawlessness" (1 John 3:4). Answer: Sin is the breaking of God's Ten Commandment law. The law of God is perfect (Psalm 19:7), and its principles cover every conceivable sin. The commandments cover "man's all [the whole duty of man]" (Ecclesiastes 12:13). Nothing is left out.

I've talked about God's Law before and tried to show you that his Law is his Character. The Holy Spirit is now attempting to work within us to create a character like Jesus's character which is spotless. We were created to have a Christlike character and this business of bad behavior is the product of not having that perfected character.

When you recognize that God's Law is his Character, and sin is lawlessness, then sin isn't the breaking of the 10, in reality it's not having Christ abiding within you.

This "theologian" spent some time explaining how we need to keep the 10 commandments in order to be saved, then he stated that keeping the commandments isn't what saves us. Basically his whole theology was based on legalism. God's gonna destroy those who insist on eating apples.

Does he give a text to prove that? He gave 2. One of them states that "the wages of sin is death" and that's all that he used. (Romans 6:23) He misused the text. Notice that it says "the wages of sin" and it doesn't say "the wages of God."

Who pays your wages? The one who pays your wages is the one you are working for. When you are misbehaving then you aren't working for God, you are working for sin and that text states that the wages of sin is death.

But what about the rest of the text? There is more to it.

[For the wages of sin is death but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans 6:23](#)

By that text God gives us life and sin is what kills. The text was misinterpreted and misused.

After reading what felt like a very long list of reasons why "I" must perfect my

behavior I came across the following:

13. Are God's law and Moses' law the same?

Answer: No—they are not the same. Study the following contrasts:

Moses' law contained the temporary, ceremonial law of the Old Testament. It regulated the priesthood, sacrifices, rituals, meat and drink offerings, etc., all of which foreshadowed the cross. This law was added "till the Seed should come," and that seed was Christ (Galatians 3:16, 19). The ritual and ceremony of Moses' law pointed forward to Christ's sacrifice. When He died, this law came to an end, but the Ten Commandments (God's law) "stand fast forever and ever" (Psalm 111:8). That there are two laws is made clear in Daniel 9:10, 11.

***Note:** God's law has existed at least as long as sin has existed. The Bible says, "Where there is no law there is no transgression [sin]" (Romans 4:15). So God's Ten Commandment law existed from the beginning. Men broke that law (sinned—1 John 3:4). Because of sin (or breaking God's law), Moses' law was given (or "added"—Galatians 3:16, 19) till Christ should come and die. Two separate laws are involved: God's law and Moses' law.*

Look at the question and his answer and pay attention to this. He clearly states that God's law and Moses' law are not the same. He states that Moses' law was temporary and when Jesus died those laws came to an end.

There is a tickle in my mind that a certain ritual law was decreed by Moses. In fact, there were several. Perhaps you might care to read Leviticus 18 and take a look at the part of the law that was done away with. Since it was done away with then this pastor in writing appears to believe that incest and bestiality is moral and Christlike. Furthermore, he needs to remove all references to homosexuals frying in the pan because that is one of the laws that Moses gave so it is no longer binding.

He states in his note that God's law has existed as least as long as sin has

existed. Which law is he talking about? Is he talking about the law of gravity? Has it only been in existence since our grandparents ate the fruit? I think not. Gravity existed before that. Maybe it's the law of physics or thermodynamics. Or, perhaps not. Surely he isn't meaning God's Character has been in existence "at least as long as sin has existed."

When you recognize that God created the universe to operate within a certain set of laws and that things would not work right if they changed, then you should be able to recognize that God's Law also cannot change. God cannot change his character and still be God.

This guy is speaking of the written rules of 10. But he is incorrect in stating that there are 2 different sets of law. If he is correct then he is promoting child sacrifices.

When you understand the levels of moral development (Google it) then you can see how God worked with the Israelites by providing them with what they needed at their stage of development. The first stage is essentially, "If I do it I'll get in trouble so I'd better not do it." That's a slaves mentality or how a baby operates.

When the Israelites were rescued from Egypt they needed a list of rules to follow so they would know how to act. As they matured morally throughout the centuries, God adjusted his behavior toward them and gave them what they needed at the level on which they were operating. When they reached level 4, Jesus came and they killed him because he didn't follow the list of rules.

If Jesus didn't follow a list of rules, why is the church trying to shove the list of rules down our throats? Wouldn't it be a better thing to introduce us to the Rulebreaker and encourage us to get to know and emulate Him?

God's Law existed from the beginning because his Law is his Character, not a list of rules. Grandpa and Grandma chose to doubt God which led to them eating what turned out to be a rotten apple. The list of 10 was given later. The list of 10 is a set of rules, but it isn't God's Character. When you claim that the 10 is God in a nutshell you have mightily diminished our Creator.

Unlawful Sexual Relations

The Lord said to Moses, "Speak to the Israelites and say to them: 'I am the Lord your God. You must not do as they do in Egypt, where

you used to live, and you must not do as they do in the land of Canaan, where I am bringing you. Do not follow their practices. You must obey my laws and be careful to follow my decrees. I am the Lord your God. Keep my decrees and laws, for the person who obeys them will live by them. I am the Lord.

“No one is to approach any close relative to have sexual relations. I am the Lord.

“Do not dishonor your father by having sexual relations with your mother. She is your mother; do not have relations with her.

“Do not have sexual relations with your father’s wife; that would dishonor your father.

“Do not have sexual relations with your sister, either your father’s daughter or your mother’s daughter, whether she was born in the same home or elsewhere.

“Do not have sexual relations with your son’s daughter or your daughter’s daughter; that would dishonor you.

“Do not have sexual relations with the daughter of your father’s wife, born to your father; she is your sister.

“Do not have sexual relations with your father’s sister; she is your father’s close relative.

“Do not have sexual relations with your mother’s sister, because she is your mother’s close relative.

“Do not dishonor your father’s brother by approaching his wife to have sexual relations; she is your aunt.

“Do not have sexual relations with your daughter-in-law. She is your son’s wife; do not have relations with her.

“Do not have sexual relations with your brother’s wife; that would dishonor your brother.

“Do not have sexual relations with both a woman and her daughter. Do not have sexual relations with either her son’s daughter or her daughter’s daughter; they are her close relatives. That is wickedness.

“Do not take your wife’s sister as a rival wife and have sexual relations with her while your wife is living.

“Do not approach a woman to have sexual relations during the uncleanness of her monthly period.

“Do not have sexual relations with your neighbor’s wife and defile yourself with her.

“Do not give any of your children to be sacrificed to Molek, for you must not profane the name of your God. I am the Lord.

“Do not have sexual relations with a man as one does with a woman; that is detestable.

“Do not have sexual relations with an animal and defile yourself with it. A woman must not present herself to an animal to have sexual relations with it; that is a perversion.

“Do not defile yourselves in any of these ways, because this is how the nations that I am going to drive out before you became defiled. Even the land was defiled; so I punished it for its sin, and the land vomited out its inhabitants. But you must keep my decrees and my laws. The native-born and the foreigners residing among you must not do any of these detestable things, for all these things were done by the people who lived in the land before you, and the land became defiled. And if you defile the land, it will vomit you out as it vomited out the nations that were before you.

“Everyone who does any of these detestable things—such persons must be cut off from their people. Keep my requirements and do not follow any of the detestable customs that were practiced before you came and do not defile yourselves with them. I am the Lord your God.” – Leviticus 18 NIV

My apologies for the sarcasm. It's my writing style and I don't seem to be able to write something serious. And my sarcasm isn't meant to offend.

This is actually very sad. I have read other things on his website and this “theologian” doesn't seem to be able to think for himself. He is just blathering on and on and on about the same old stuff that has been promoted for a very long time.

The SDA church teaches that Jesus won't return until the message has gone forth and everyone has had a chance to make a choice. As long as christianity has been working at presenting their message, why hasn't Jesus come yet? Where is he?

Perhaps the answer lies in the fact that nonsense like the above has been and is still being spread about God. When we get the truth about God and his Law which is a transcript of his Character and that is Love, God is Love, then I'll betcha Jesus will come and put an end to this nightmare.

It's the middle of the week so get out there and do what you need to do. The weekend is coming.

Love to all of you,

Hannah

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