

# **“What Shall I do to Inherit Eternal Life?”**

*Jesus answering him said,*

## **What is Written in the Law?**

[Matt 19:17]

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***An in-depth Study of What is Written in the Law  
According to the Words of Jesus Christ***

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## 1.1 Everyone who Believes in the Lord Jesus have Eternal Life.

The gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believes. The salvation which the gospel brings, is a salvation from sin. The sin-bearer or Savior, that brings this salvation, through the gospel, is Jesus Christ. That there is no other gospel which has salvation from sin. this blessed gospel through the Lord Jesus, brought salvation to every soul that believed in it

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that **whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life**”. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. (*John 3:16*).

<sup>12</sup>And there is salvation in no one else, for **there is no other name under heaven** given among men **by which we must be saved.**” - *Acts 4:12*

**Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life**; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him (*John 3:36*).

<sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony: **that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.** <sup>12</sup>**He who has the Son has life**; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. - *1 John 5: 11*

“<sup>40</sup> And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that **everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life**; and I will raise him up at the last day.”.... <sup>47</sup>Most assuredly, I say to you, **he who believes in Me has everlasting life.** (*John 6: 40,47*)

### In summary,

“...**Whoever** desires, let him take the water of life freely”. (*Revelation 22:17*)

“...**Whosoever** believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life”. (*John 3:16*)

“...**Whoever** believes in the Son has eternal life”. (*John 3:36*)

“...**Whoever** calls on the name of the LORD Shall be saved”. (*Joel 2:32*).

“...**Everyone** who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life.” (*John 6:39*)

“...**If Anyone** eats of this bread, he will live forever”. (*John 6: 47, 51*)

## 1.2 The Words that I speak unto you, they are Spirit, and they are Life.”

Jesus said...<sup>63</sup> It is the spirit that quickens; the flesh profits nothing: **the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.**” *John 6:63*

"Truly, truly, I say to you, **whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life.** He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life." John 5:24

<sup>2</sup> For the **law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.** Romans 8:2-4

<sup>68</sup> But Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? **You have the words of eternal life.** (John 6:68)

### 1.3 The Lord Jesus Christ is "The Word of God"

*Revelation 19*

<sup>11</sup> Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. <sup>12</sup> His eyes *were* like a flame of fire, and on His head *were* many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. <sup>13</sup> He *was* clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and **His name is called The Word of God.**

"In the beginning was **the Word**, and **the Word was with God**, and **the Word was God**. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him; and without Him was not anything made that was made. ...And **the Word was made flesh**, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth." (John 1:1 then 14)

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of **the Word of life.**" [1 john 1:1]

<sup>4</sup> But He (*Jesus*) answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by **Every Word that proceeds from the mouth of God.**'" Matthew 4:4.

**I am the bread of life.** <sup>51</sup> I am the living bread which came down from heaven. **If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever;** and the bread that I shall give is **My flesh**, which I shall give for the life of the world." *John 6: 47-48, 52*

### 1.4 This is Eternal life, to know the only true God and Jesus Christ

John 17

<sup>1</sup> Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, <sup>2</sup> as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him.<sup>3</sup> And **this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.**

## 1.5 All the scriptures (old and New Testament) testify of Jesus

In order to rightly know and to understand Jesus as He is, we must see Him in the Word of God, the blessed Bible. We must read Him in Genesis, as well as in Revelation. We must see Him in Leviticus, as well as in Hebrews. We must know Him in Ruth, as well as in Matthew. In other words, we must search the Scriptures; for in them there is eternal life; and they all testify of Jesus.

The life of Christ that gives life to the world is in His word, He spoke the word of God, as He had spoken through all the prophets and teachers of the Old Testament. Those who see Christ in His true character, and receive Him into the heart, have everlasting life. It is through the Spirit that Christ dwells in us; and the Spirit of God, received into the heart by faith, is the beginning of the life eternal. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink His blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eats My flesh, and drinks My blood, has eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For My flesh is meat indeed, and My blood is drink indeed. He that eats My flesh, and drinks My blood, dwelleth in Me, and I in him."

To eat the flesh and drink the blood of Christ is to receive Him as a personal Saviour, believing that He forgives our sins, and that we are complete in Him. We must feed upon Him, receive Him into the heart, so that His life becomes our life. His love, His grace, must be assimilated. "As the living Father hath sent Me, and I live by the Father: so he that eats Me, even he shall live by Me."

As the Son of God lived by faith in the Father, so are we to live by faith in Christ. All the words of Christ Jesus are the spiritual food for the soul, written for us, that by eating them, we may attain eternal life.

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**The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.** [Romans 6:23]

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**So, what Words did the Lord Jesus, say and teach that we should do to inherit eternal life that is in Him?**

## 2.1 Good Teacher, what shall I do to Inherit Eternal Life?

Luke 10: 25-28

<sup>25</sup>And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, **“Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?”** <sup>26</sup>He (Jesus) said to him, **“What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?”**

<sup>27</sup>And he answering said, **You shall love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.** <sup>28</sup>Jesus said unto him, You has answered right: **This do, and you shall live.**

The lawyer’s question to Jesus had been, “What shall I do?” And Jesus, recognizing love to God and man as the sum of righteousness, had said, “This do, and thou shalt live.” Jesus presented the law as a divine unity, and in this lesson taught that it is not possible to keep one precept, and break another; for the same principle runs through them all. Man’s destiny will be determined by his obedience to the whole law. Supreme love to God and impartial love to man are the principles to be wrought out in the life.

## 2.2 Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have Eternal Life?

Matthew 19: 16-20

<sup>16</sup>“...Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life? <sup>17</sup> Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: **but if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments.**

<sup>18</sup> 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,** <sup>19</sup> **Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.**

<sup>20</sup> The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet? <sup>21</sup> Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me.

## 2.3 What Works shall we do in order to obtain Eternal Life?

John 6:28

<sup>28</sup> Then they said to Him, “What shall we do, that we may work the works of God?” <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered and said to them, **“This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He sent.”**

In simpler words, the multitude asked Jesus, what shall we do that we may deserve eternal life? What is the price we are required to pay in order to obtain the life to come? “Jesus answered and said unto them, *“This is the work of God, that ye believe on Him whom He hath*

sent.” Thus, the price of eternal life is Jesus. The way to heaven is through faith in Jesus, “the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.” (John 1:29).

## 2.4 Master, which is the great commandment in the law?

Romans 13:8-10

<sup>9</sup> For the commandments, “You shall not commit adultery,” “You shall not murder,” “You shall not steal,” “You shall not bear false witness,” “You shall not covet,” and *if there is any other commandment, are all summed up in this saying, namely, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”*

Matthew 22:3-40

<sup>35</sup> Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked him.... Master, which is the great commandment in the law? <sup>37</sup> Jesus said unto him, **Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.** <sup>38</sup> **This is the first and great commandment.** <sup>39</sup> And **the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.** <sup>40</sup> On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Mark 12:29-31

<sup>29</sup> Jesus answered him, “**The first of all the commandments is: ‘Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is one.** <sup>30</sup> **And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.**’ This is the first commandment. <sup>31</sup> And **the second, like it, is this:** ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”

**Love the Lord thy God**                      **and**                      **Love thy Neighbor**

**The 1<sup>st</sup> and great commandment in the law**

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. <sup>38</sup> This is the first and great commandment.

**I**  
Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

**II**  
Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.

**III**  
Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain.

**IV**  
Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day. Wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

**V**  
Honour thy father and thy mother.

**VI**  
Thou shalt not kill.

**VII**  
Thou shalt not commit adultery.

**VIII**  
Thou shalt not steal.

**IX**  
Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

**X**  
Thou shalt not covet anything that is thy neighbor's.

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> and great commandment in the law**

And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

(Matthew 22:35-40)

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

The two great principles on which hang all the law and the prophets.

### Jesus Summed up the 10 Commandments into two commandments

1. *The first Great commandment of all (The first 4 commandments):* the first four commandments, point out the duty of man to his Maker

2. *The second Great commandment (The next 6 Commandments):* last six commandments, define man's duty to his fellow man

Both these commandments are an expression of the principle of love. The first cannot be kept and the second broken, nor can the second be kept while the first is broken. Our Lord presents the first four and the last six commandments as a divine whole, and teaches that love to God will be shown by obedience to all His commandments

## 2.5 Who is my neighbor?

The question, "Who is my neighbor?" is forever answered in the story of good Samaritan. The Samaritan had obeyed the dictates of a kind and loving heart, and in this had proved himself a doer of the law. Christ has shown that our neighbor does not mean merely one of the church or faith to which we belong. It has no reference to race, color, or class distinction. Our neighbor is every person who needs our help. Our neighbor is every soul who is wounded and bruised by the adversary. Our neighbor is everyone who is the property of God.

Christ bade the lawyer, "Go, and do thou likewise." **Doing, and not saying merely**, is expected of the children of God. **"He that saith he abides in Him ought himself also so to walk, even as He walked."** 1 John 2:6. The lesson from the good Samaritan story is no less needed in the world today than when it fell from the lips of Jesus. Selfishness and cold formality have well-nigh extinguished the fire of love, and dispelled the graces that should make fragrant the character.

Many who profess His name have lost sight of the fact that Christians are to represent Christ. Unless there is **practical self-sacrifice for the good of others**, in the family circle, in the neighborhood, in the church, and wherever we may be, then whatever our profession, we are not Christians.

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**Clearly, Jesus taught obedience to, and doing of the 10 Commandments  
as the only answer to inherit eternal life**

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**So, what is written in the Law? What is your reading of it?**



### 3.1 What is written in the Law? What is your reading of it?

Teacher, **what shall I do to inherit eternal life?**” He (*Jesus*) said to him, **“What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?** (*Luke 10: 25*) – “the 10 commandments”

**And God Spoke all these Words, saying,** (*Exodus 20: 1-17*)

1

**Thou shalt have no other gods before me.**

2

**Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to 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 shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.**

3

**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.**

4

**Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou 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, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.**

5

**Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.**

6

**Thou shalt not kill.**

7

**Thou shalt not commit adultery.**

8

**Thou shalt not steal.**

9

**Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.**

10

**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 donkey, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's**

### 3.2 What is written in the Law, what is your reading of it? (Statutes, Judgements)

“Thou came down also upon Mount Sinai, and spoke with them from heaven, and gave them **right judgments**, and **true laws**, **good statutes** and **commandments**.” Nehemiah 9:13-14

<sup>19</sup> I *am* the LORD your God: Walk in My **statutes**, keep My **judgments**, and do them. (Ezekiel 20:19)

<sup>11</sup> And I gave them My **statutes** and showed them My **judgments**, ‘which, *if* a man does, he shall live by them. Ezekiel 20:11

“I command you today to love the Lord your God, to walk in his ways, and to **keep His commandments, His statutes**, and **His judgments**, that you may live and multiply, and the lord your God will bless you” Deuteronomy 30: 15

“And the Lord commanded us to do all these **statutes**, to fear the Lord our God, for our good always, that He might preserve us alive, as it is at this day. And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before the Lord our God, as He hath commanded us.” [Deuteronomy 6:25]

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#### Meaning of statutes, and judgments

Taken together, God's laws, statutes and judgments lay the foundation for a righteous society and the administrative procedures needed to govern it. The word "**statutes**" refers to a specific type of laws. As the English translation of the Hebrew words *choq* or *chuqqah*, the word statute" refers to an authoritative enactment, decree or ordinance. Statutes are crucially instructive as divine guidelines for righteous behavior.

God's '**judgments**' illustrate how righteous decisions should be made according to the principles revealed in His laws and statutes. He instructs all judges who are responsible for making judgments: "You shall do no injustice in judgment. You shall not be partial to the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty. In righteousness you shall judge your neighbor" (Leviticus 19:15).

#### Difference between the ten commandment and the law of Moses

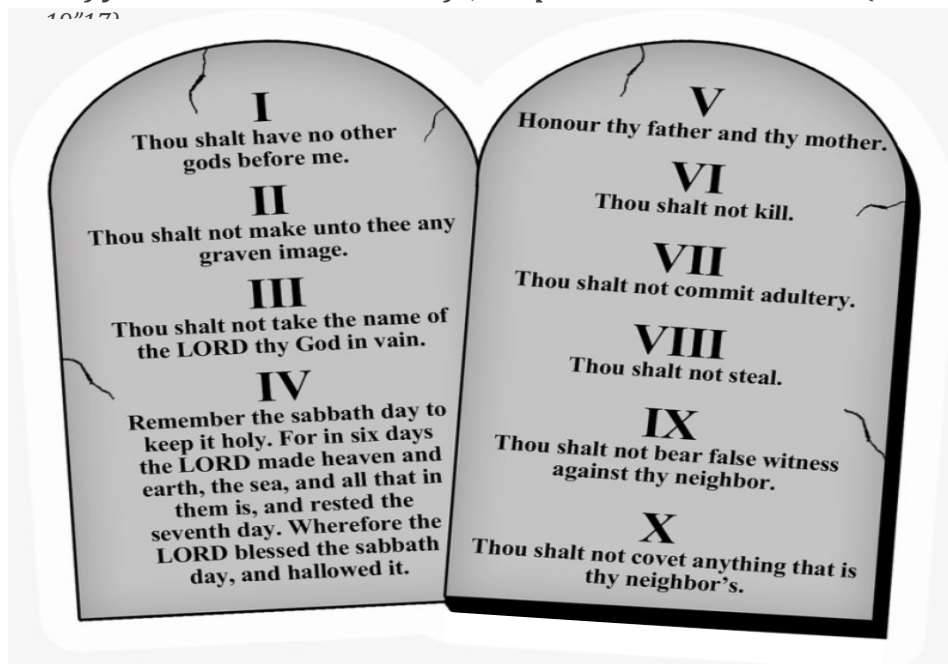
The difference between the law of God, the Ten Commandments, and the law of Moses, which God gave him to teach the people is. One was eternal, immutable; the other, temporal, changeable.

### 3.3 What is written in the Law: Two Tablets of the Testimony, Tablets of stone.

“And when He (*God*) had made an end of speaking with him on Mount Sinai, He gave Moses **two tablets of the Testimony, tablets of stone, written with the finger of God**” (Exodus 31: 18)....**“And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables”** (Exodus 32:16).

“And he (*Moses*) was there with the Lord forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. **And He wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the Ten Commandments.**” [10]

*“...If you want to enter into life, keep the commandments.” (Matt 19:17)*



**“The law is holy, and the commandment is holy and just and good”** (Rom. 7:12)

### 3.4 Behold, I set before you today a blessing and a curse

“Behold, I set before you today a blessing and a curse: **the blessing, if you obey the commandments of the Lord your God** which I command you today; and **the curse, if you do not obey the commandments of the Lord your God.** (Deuteronomy 11:26-28)

The Ten Commandments are the **divine** (supreme, sacred and everlasting) **laws of God**. They are heart and core of God's divine law for mankind. They were written by GOD Himself in two tablets of stone, and kept in the Holy of Holies place inside the Ark of the covenant. They explicitly detail how human are to relate with and worship God (**first 4 commandments**), and how people are to relate with their neighbor (last 6 commandments). Since the 10 commandments are given by God, they are to be fulfilled in not how people want, but how God wants.

### 3.5 Love is the fulfillment of the Commandments

Romans 13:8,10

<sup>8</sup>Owe no one anything except to love one another, for **he who loves another has fulfilled the law.** <sup>10</sup>Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore **love is the fulfillment of the law.**

### 3.6 Out of pure love for God, we keep all the 10 commandments

The law of God is not a yoke of bondage as many Christians tend to teach. There is no conflict between the law of God and the love of God. There is harmony between the law and love. The law of love protects our relationship with God and with our fellow human being. There is no love without the law. The 10 commandments are the laws of love. By living in Christ, we *are* able to love and serve God.

1. **If you love the Lord**, you will not have other gods before Him
2. **If you love the Lord**, you will not have idols that degrade your concept of God
3. **If you love the Lord**, you will respect His Holy name
4. **If you love the Lord**, you will keep His Sabbath holy on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of the week
5. **If you love your parents**, you will respect by honoring them
6. **If you love your neighbor**, you cannot kill him
7. **If you love your neighbor**, you will not commit adultery with his wife
8. **If you love your neighbor**, you will not steal his property
9. **If you love your neighbor**, you will not ruin his reputation by lying against him
10. **If you love your neighbor**, you will not covet what belong to them

### 3.7 Jesus said, If you Love Me, keep My commandments

Jesus said, "The Father has not left me alone for I always do those things that please Him" (Jhn 8:28) .... <sup>15</sup>**"If you love Me, keep My commandments.** (John 14:15)

<sup>1</sup> John 5:1-3

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him. <sup>2</sup> By this we know that we love the children of God, **when we love God and keep His commandments.**

<sup>3</sup> For this is the love of God, that **we keep His commandments.** And His commandments are not burdensome.

John 14:21.

<sup>21</sup> **He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me.** And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him."

### 3.8 God will use His commandments to judge humanity

God law will be the standard of judgement to all those who profess to believe in Jesus and emulate His character.

James 2:8-12

<sup>8</sup>If you really fulfill *the royal law* according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you do well; <sup>9</sup>**but if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors.** <sup>11</sup>For He who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery, but you do murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. <sup>12</sup>So **speak and so do as those who will be judged by the law of liberty.**

James 2:8-12

If you really fulfill ***the royal law*** according to the Scripture, "*You shall love your neighbor as yourself,*" you do well; but **if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors.**

Mathew 7: 22-23

<sup>22</sup>Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' <sup>23</sup>And then I will declare to them, **'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'**

### 3.9 Those who shall enter the kingdom of heaven are those who do His commandments

Revelation 22:14

<sup>14</sup>Blessed ***are those who do His commandments,*** that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.

Matthew 7:21.

<sup>21</sup>"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, **but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.**"

### 3.10 The Law of God is the exact copy of His character

God's Law shows His character, His justice, and points forward to His Son, Jesus Christ. Jesus is revealed in the law, and the law is an exact copy of His character. Therefore Christ was law of God in the flesh and in action.

John 12:44, John 6:38

**“He who believes in Me, believes not in Me but in Him who sent Me.” ...” For **I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.**” (John 6:38)**

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| 1. God is JUST - Romans 3:262.             | His law is JUST - Romans 7:12.                |
| 2. God is TRUE - John 3:33.                | His law is TRUE - Nehemiah 9:13.              |
| 3. God is PURE - 1 John 3:3.               | His law is PURE - Psalm 19:7,8.               |
| 4. God is LIGHT - 1 John 1:5.              | His law is LIGHT - Proverbs 6:23.             |
| 5. God is FAITHFUL - 1 Corinthians 1:9.    | His law is FAITHFUL - Psalms 119:86.          |
| 6. God is GOOD - Nahum 1:7.                | His law is GOOD - Romans 7:12,16.             |
| 7. God is SPIRITUAL - John 4:24.           | His law is SPIRITUAL - Romans 7:14.           |
| 8. God is HOLY - Isaiah 6:3, 1 Peter 1:15. | His law is HOLY - Exodus 20:8, Romans 7:12.   |
| 9. God is TRUTH - John 14:6.               | His law is TRUTH - Psalms 119:142,151.        |
| 10. God is LIFE - John 14:6.               | His law is LIFE - Matthew 19:17.              |
| 11. God is RIGHTEOUSNESS - Jeremiah 23:6   | His law is RIGHTEOUSNESS - Psalm 119:172.     |
| 12. God is PERFECT - Matthew 5:48.         | His law is PERFECT - James 1:25.              |
| 13. God is ETERNAL - John 8:35.            | His law is ETERNAL - Psalms 111:7,8.          |
| 14. God is PEACE - Isaiah 9:6.             | His law is PEACE - Psalm 119:165.             |
| 15. God is THE WAY - John 14:6             | His law is THE WAY - Psalm 119:30-32.         |
| 16. God is SURE - 2 Timothy 2:19           | His law is SURE - Psalm 19:7, 111:7,8         |
| 17. God is UNCHANGING - Malachi 3:6        | His law is UNCHANGING - Psalm 111:7,8         |
| 18. God is SWEET - Psalm 34:8              | His law is SWEET - Psalm 19:10, 119:103       |
| 19. God is WISE - Psalm 111:10             | His law is WISE - Psalm 19:7                  |
| 20. God is OUR MEDITATION - Psalm 63:6     | His law is OUR MEDITATION - Psalm 1:2         |
| 21. God is JUDGE - Psalm 50:6              | His law is JUDGE - James 2:12                 |
| 22. God is ENLIGHTENMENT - Psalm 18:27     | His law is ENLIGHTENMENT - Psalm 19:8         |
| 23. God is LOVE - 1 John 4:7,8             | His law is LOVE - Romans 13:8-10              |
| 24. God is CLEAN - Psalm 19:9              | His law is CLEAN - Ezekiel 22:26              |
| 25. God is BLESSED - Psalm 28:6            | His law is BLESSED - Exodus 20:11             |
| 26. God is DELIGHT - Psalm 37:4            | His law is DELIGHT - Psalm 1:2                |
| 27. God is WONDERFUL - Isaiah 9:6          | His law is WONDERFUL - Psalm 119:18           |
| 28. God is LIBERTY - Isaiah 61:1           | His law is LIBERTY - James 1:25, Psalm 119:45 |
| 29. God is COMFORT - Psalm 23:4            | His law is COMFORT - Psalm 119:50             |
| 30. God is OUR SONG - Revelation 15:3      | His law is OUR SONG - Psalm 119:54            |
| 31. God is MERCIFUL - Exodus 34:5          | His law is MERCIFUL - Psalm 119:58            |
| 32. God is KNOWLEDGE - Isaiah 11:2         | His law is KNOWLEDGE - Psalm 119:66           |
| 33. God is HOPE - Psalm 130:7              | His law is HOPE - Psalm 119:74                |
| 34. God is LIFE - Psalm 36:9               | His law is LIFE - Proverbs 3:1,2              |
| 35. God is SOUND - Proverbs 8:13,14        | His law is SOUND - Psalm 119:80               |
| 36. God is UNDERSTANDING - Psalm 147:5     | His law is UNDERSTANDING - Psalm 119:99       |
| 37. God is HAPPINESS - Psalm 146:5         | His law is HAPPINESS - Proverbs 29:18         |
| 38. God is JOY - Psalm 16:11               | His law is JOY - Psalm 119:162                |

From this we see that the law of God is simply an expression of the character of Jesus Christ. The principles of the law is seen in the light of the life of Christ

# *Part 2*

## *Were the commandments abolished or done away with?*

### **4.1 Jesus magnified the law, and made it honorable**

It is generally believed that when Christ died on the cross, He abolished a great many of the truths of the Bible that the Jewish people had believed during their national existence. But this is not so. Christ's life and death did not, neither could, abolish anything which in itself was from God; and therefore, was truth. Because Christ, being "the truth" personified, could not thrust aside any truth that God had ever given. Certain things naturally ceased by limitation. Even these He did not abolish. The larger light that was manifested by His life and in His death, swallowed up the lesser light which shadowed His coming.

Jesus did not come to change the law; He did not abrogate it. He did not allow even one tittle of it to fail. As long as heaven and earth shall stand, so long will the binding claims of God's law rest upon the human race. Neither a single jot nor tittle of it shall in any wise fail or pass away. It is by the life of Christ we see its exalted character. This definition of God's law will always remain the same; for Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. The Savior, showing the people how he regarded the law, said in substance: Not only do I believe in the law as given by Jehovah, not only do I believe in its perpetuity. Not only do I believe that not a verse or a word can be changed, but I believe and strongly advocate that not the smallest letter in the entire Hebrew alphabet, or the smallest point joined to the smallest letter of God's law, can under any circumstance be set aside, or lightly esteemed. As long as the heavens and the earth shall remain, not a single point of the law shall be annulled. Yea, still more: Heaven and earth could more easily pass away than the smallest tittle of the law could fail.

What Christ, however, did abolish, was the tradition and slavishness of men which had bound the people from exercising the freedom of their personal will and choice. He made men free. He destroyed sin. Not that He did away with any truth, or invalidated any of the teachings of the word of God. This the reader should bear in mind.

**“The Lord is well pleased for His righteousness’ sake. He will magnify the law, and make it honorable.”** Isaiah 42:21

It meant that the Messiah who was to come would exalt the law by magnifying its principles - by revealing its true significance; by exalting its every precept, by showing that the law reached to the very depths of the secret recesses of the soul. This was exalting and magnifying the law. And why should not God be well pleased with this? Would it not enable the people to see their exceeding sinfulness? Would it not bring a hungering to every soul who desired to be freed from sin, and who wished to properly perform God’s will? Would it not make men hunger and thirst after righteousness? Of course, it would; then by the righteousness of the righteous Messiah, who would impart of the power of God, the people would be made better. Therefore, God could be well pleased for His righteousness’s sake, for Christ is His righteousness, and He did magnify the law.

In Matthew 5:17-19 we find the fulfillment of this prophecy where Jesus gives greater clarity to the meaning of fulfilling the law and a jot or a tittle. Luke 16:17 makes it abundantly clear that not even a comma or full stop is going to be abolished from the law. These verses have to include *all* Ten Commandments or we have a lot more than a “jot” and a “tittle” passing from the law. The fourth that some claim was abolished or changed to Sunday is the largest of all the Commandments and hence also remains unchanged as long as heaven and earth are still here. Jesus said he is the Lord of sabbath, and his custom was to preach and teach on the Sabbaths.

In Matthew chapter five one can read how Jesus does magnify the law just as it was prophesied. Below are five examples:

1. *From “do not murder,” to “anyone who is angry with his brother without cause will be subject to judgment.” Matthew 5:21-22*
2. *From “You shall not commit adultery,” to “whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her has committed adultery with her already in his heart.” Matthew 5:27-28*
3. *From “anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce,” to “anyone who divorces his wife except for marital unfaithfulness causes her to become an adulteress.” Matthew 5:31-32*
4. *From “an eye for eye and tooth for tooth,” to “if someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other cheek also.” Matthew 5:38-39*
5. *From “love your neighbour and hate your enemy,” to “love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.” Matthew 5:43-44*

There is no change to the law but it was magnified as prophesied. Jesus not only said that we are to obey the Ten Commandment law but He places very strong emphasis on the fact that we are to teach



it also. You certainly cannot teach a law that has been abolished. Those teaching that the Ten Commandments have ended are going against the instructions of our Lord and Saviour and will be called least by those who do enter the kingdom.

## 4.2 All the Commandments of God stand fast for ever and ever

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever" (Hebrews 13:8). He put his laws inside us, and high holy spirit lives in us- all true believers, and if we love Him, and are in Him, we should keep all His commandments.

Psalms 111:7-9

The works of his hands are verity and judgment; **all his commandments are sure.** <sup>8</sup> **They stand fast for ever and ever,** and are done in truth and uprightness.

Exodus 20:6

<sup>6</sup> but showing mercy to thousands, **to those who love Me and keep My commandments.**

Psalms 19:7-8

<sup>7</sup> **The Law of the LORD is perfect,** converting the soul; **The Testimony of the LORD is sure,** making wise the simple; <sup>8</sup> **The Statutes of the LORD are right,** rejoicing the heart; **The Commandment of the LORD is pure,** enlightening the eyes; <sup>9</sup> The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; **The judgments of the LORD are true and righteous** altogether.

## 4.3 Jesus said, I did not come to abolish the commandments

### a). "I did not come to destroy the law"

Matthew 5:17-19

<sup>17</sup> Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: **I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.** <sup>18</sup> **For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.** <sup>19</sup> **Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments,** and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

Jesus said, **"It is easier for heaven and earth to pass away, than for one tittle of the Law to fail"** (Luke 16:17)

### b). "Keep My commandments... just as I have kept them"

John 15:10

**"If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love."**

### c). "You must not add to subtract from the commandments"

Deuteronomy 12:32

<sup>32</sup> “Whatever I command you, be careful to observe it; **you shall not add to it nor take away from it**”. Also, God says **“You must not add to or subtract from what I command you, so that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I am giving you”** (Deuteronomy 4:2)

**“Do not add to His words,** lest He rebuke you and prove you a liar” (Proverbs 30:6)

#### 4.4 Did Jesus abolish the 10 Commandments on the cross?

If God's law is dead, how do we know how to obey Him? How do we know what sin is and what to avoid? Sin is a transgression—a transgression of what? The law (1 John 3:4). If there is no law, then how can there be sin?

Many falsely claim that Jesus abolished the 10 commandments and thus we do not need to keep them. Others claim some of the commandments were abolished. If this be true, as some are deceived to believe, does it mean we are free to sin? since where there is no law there is no knowledge of sin. What was the point for Jesus to have died for our sins if he abolished the law that makes us aware of sin? If the law was abolished on the cross, are we free to do as we please?

1. should we be free to have other gods before God?
2. should we be free to make carved images?
3. should we be free to taking the name of the Lord in vain?
4. should we be free not to observe and keep the Sabbath holy?
5. should we be free to dishonor our father and mother?
6. should we be free to kill other people?
7. should we be free to commit adultery?
8. should we be free to steal?
9. should we be free to lie?
10. should we be free to covet our neighbor's wife and house?

#### 4.5 Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one little shall in no wise pass from the law.

The Savior said:

“Think not that I am come to destroy the law or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. For verily I say unto you, **Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one little shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.** Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.” (Matthew 5: 17-19)

“Come unto Me, all you that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and you shall find rest unto your souls. **For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.**” (Matthew 11:28-30)

For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And **His commandments are not burdensome.** (1 John 5:3)

#### 4.6 You have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition

Jesus taught in Matthew 15:1-7

<sup>3</sup>“He answered and said to them, “Why do you also transgress the commandment of God because of your tradition? <sup>4</sup>**For God commanded, saying, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death.’**

<sup>5</sup>But you say, ‘Whoever says to his father or mother, “Whatever profit you might have received from me is a gift to God”— <sup>6</sup>then he need not honor his father or mother.’ **Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition.** <sup>7</sup>Hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying:

<sup>9</sup>“These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with *their* lips, But their heart is far from Me. <sup>9</sup>And **in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.**”

#### 4.7 Transgressors of the commandments will not inherit the kingdom of God

All the sins mentioned below are *as a result of transgression of the 10* commandments.

##### Ephesians 5:5

<sup>5</sup>For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an **idolater**, has **any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.**

##### Revelation 21:8

<sup>8</sup>But the cowardly, unbelieving, **abominable**, **murderers**, **sexually immoral**, **sorcerers**, **idolaters**, and all **liars** shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.”

##### Revelation 22:15

<sup>15</sup>But outside *are* dogs and **sorcerers** and **sexually immoral** and **murderers** and **idolaters**, and whoever loves and practices a **lie**.

##### 1 Corinthians 6:9-10

<sup>9</sup>Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither **fornicators**, nor **idolaters**, nor **adulterers**, nor **homosexuals**,

nor sodomites,<sup>10</sup> nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners **will inherit the kingdom of God.**

#### Galatians 5:19-21

<sup>19</sup> Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: **adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,** <sup>20</sup> **idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies,** outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, <sup>21</sup> **envy, murders,** drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told *you* in time past, that those who practice such things **will not inherit the kingdom of God.**

#### Revelation 21:27

<sup>27</sup> But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

### 4.8 What is Sin? – bible define Sin as the transgression of the law

<sup>4</sup> Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: **for sin is the transgression of the law.** I John 3:4 KJV... <sup>4</sup> Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and **sin is lawlessness.** I John 3:4-9 NKJV

“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).

#### Sin is not assigned where there is no law

NO LAW, NO SIN. sin is not imputed where there is no law. Law is the detector and informer of sin. Since sin is the transgression of the law, and where there is no sin there is no transgression, and only by the law is the knowledge of sin, the law thus cannot be abolished. Sin is a transgression—a transgression of what? The law. If there is no law, then how can there be sin? The law defines sin and without transgressing the law there can be no sin.

<sup>7</sup> What shall we say then? **Is the law sin? God forbid.** Certainly not! On the contrary, **I would not have known sin except through the law.** For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, “You shall not covet.” Romans 7:7

“Because the law works wrath: for **where no law is, there is no transgression.**” (Romans 14:15)

“For until the law, sin was in the world: but **sin is not imputed where there is no law.**” (Romans 4:15)

#### 4.9 God's law is holy, and the commandment holy and just and good.

The thought which naturally comes to the mind next is, which law is it that defines sin? And which was it that man had transgressed? From Below verses, we learn that the law which points out sin, and the violation of which was the cause of the downfall of Adam, and through him the entire human race, is the Ten Commandments, the law of God, the moral law.

Romans 7:8-12

<sup>8</sup> But **sin, taking opportunity by the commandment, produced in me all manner of evil desire.** For apart from the law sin *was* dead. <sup>9</sup> I was alive once without the law, but when the commandment came, sin revived and I died. <sup>10</sup> And the commandment, which *was* to bring life, I found to bring death. <sup>11</sup> For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it killed me. <sup>12</sup> **Therefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy and just and good.**

Romans 3:19-20

<sup>19</sup> Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. <sup>20</sup> 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 3:18-31.

“Do we then **make void the law through faith?** God forbid: yea **we establish the law**”

James 1:25

But he who looks into the **perfect law of liberty** and continues *in it*, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.

Romans 8:2-4

<sup>4</sup> that the **righteous requirement of the law** might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

#### 4.10 He who says, “I know Him,” and does not keep His commandments, is a liar.

1 John 2:4

<sup>4</sup> He who says, **“I know Him,” and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.** <sup>5</sup> **But whoever keeps His Word, truly the love of God is perfected in him.** By this we know that we are in Him. <sup>6</sup> He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked. (*How did Jesus walk?, he kept all His Father's commandment*)

2 John 1:9

**<sup>9</sup> Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God.**  
He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son.

#### **4.11    Whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all**

James 2:10-11

<sup>8</sup> If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you do well; <sup>9</sup> but **if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors.**

**<sup>10</sup> For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.**

<sup>11</sup> For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law. <sup>12</sup> **So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty.**

Romans 6:23

For **the wages of sin is death**, but the gift of God *is* eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

# Who changed the Commandments of God?

## 'He' (The Little horn) shall think to change times and laws of God

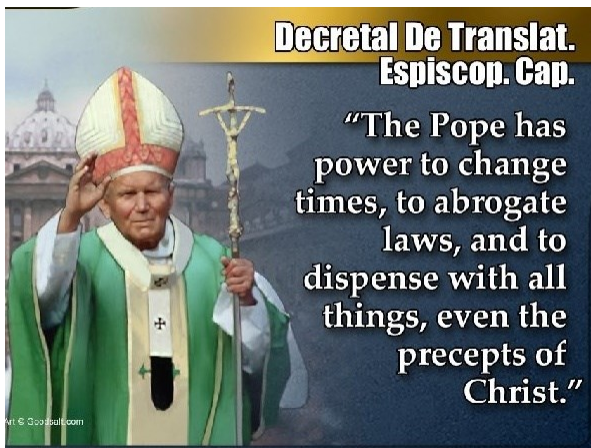
The book of Daniel refers to this person as rising from the fourth kingdom upon earth which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. And another (little horn) shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. <sup>25</sup> **And he shall speak great words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High.** (Daniel 7: 23-25)

Who is this "he", that shall think to change times and laws of the Most High?

The bible refers to this system with several names

1. **Little horn** (Daniel 7:8, 8:9)
2. **The Beast** (Revelation 20:4, Revelation 17:8-20)
3. **Anti-Christ** (1 John 4:3, 1 John 2:18)
4. **Son of perdition** (2 Thessalonians 2:3)
5. **The Man of Sin** (2 Thessalonians 2:3)
6. **The mother of all harlot**
7. **Abomination of desolation**

➤ All these describe one religious system: **The Roman catholic papacy**



### THE ROMAN "DECRETALIA"

He can pronounce sentences and judgements in contradiction to the rights of nations, to the law of God and man...He can free himself from the commands of the apostles, he being their superior, and from the rules of the old testament. (*Decretal, de Translat. Episcop, Cap*)

➤ **The Roman catholic papacy IS THE ANTICHRIST**

## Conclusion

Love and obedience to God, and unselfish regard for man is the ultimate moral duty of man

“These things I have written to **you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life**, and that you **may *continue to believe in the name of the Son of God***”.

(1 John 5:13)

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