BIBLE THOUGHTS SEPT 23 TO OCT 22 2009

Sept 23, 2009

Matt.7:16 By their fruits you will know them. Do you gather grapes from thorns, or figs from thistles?

Nature teaches us common sense, but religion steal common sense, and puts us upon a road of blindness and stupidity. None of us would ever go to a thorn bush to get grapes or a thistle bush to get figs, no! But how many of us will go back to the Old Law to prove ourselves right over some principle, or to get someone to do something we want them too do or that we believe they should do?

The Old Law is powerful and will make people do things out of guilt. Nothing seems to offend Christian more then when people that know better refuse go to their meetings. They bring out the bibles and start pounding the person with the Law condemning and creating guilt until they get the desire results or the person rebels against their counsel. Either way the Christian gets a response that justifies their actions in using the Old Law. We do that as humans believing a little good comes out of something bad to justify the end results.

However, Christ Jesus didn't justify some bad to get good, he did not have to because he is the "Truth". He stated a little leaven ferments the whole lump speaking about the Pharisee and their teachings of the Old Law. Many religions today justify the uses of the Old Law to get ten-percent, fill their meetings through guilt of punishment, and at the same time letting themselves off holding hate in their hearts for people holding different political views, or hiding lust in their hearts for the opposite sex. In these areas they preach understanding and forgiveness using the new law of love.

Jesus Christ simply said you can't have both ways, you cannot gather grapes from thorns or gather figs from thistles if you do people are going to bleed and find pain not the fruitage of the Holy Spirit in love, peace, joy, kindness, long-suffering, self-control.

Matt.7:17 Even so, every good tree produces good fruit; but the corrupt tree produces evil fruit.

7:18 A good tree can't produce evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree produce good fruit.

What are the fruits of everlasting life? Well first we must accept that the only way to life God has provided for the human race is Christ Jesus His Son. There is no other name in heaven or upon earth that has been given among men to be saved. Although there are many pronunciations of the name Jesus Christ the point is do we put faith in the resurrected Son of God?

By our faith we are accepted by God into His family and that is why we are to call each other brothers and sisters. Once in the family God our Father gives us good gifts, those gifts are spiritual gifts coming down to us from our heavenly Father. This alone is the tree bearing good fruit "God", not us we are the branches on the true vine in Christ Jesus: "John 15:5 I am the vine. You are the branches. He who remains in me, and I in him, the same bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing."

The corrupt tree producing evil fruit was the nation of Israel that killed the Son God Jesus Christ. The Old Law formed this nation; it was the vine that should have produce fruits of repentance so the nation would accept the Son of God as forgiveness for their sins. Moreover, the Law did not produce the fruits of God Spirit (life) it produce death, yes, condemnation and death; for all under it rulership. It pointed out that all people are sinners, evil deserving of death, and there was not one born of Adam that could redeem the human race.

Rom. 3:10 As it is written, "There is no one righteous; no, not one.

3:11 There is no one who understands. There is no one who seeks after
God.

3:12 They have all turned aside. They have together become unprofitable. There is no one who does good, no, not, so much as one."{Psalms 14:1-3; 53:1-3; Ecclesiastes 7:20}

The question remains what tree are you bearing fruit on? You cannot have it both ways some good fruit (New Covenant) some bad fruit (Old Law). Mixing of the two produce babble, confusion, and darkness which are evil fruit!

Sept 25, 2009

Matt. 7:19 Every tree that doesn't grow good fruit is cut down, and thrown into the fire.

7:20 Therefore, by their fruits you will know them.

The nation of Israel was cut down and thrown into the fire in 70 CE by the Roman Government, millions lost their lives; the fruits of self-righteousness did not save them from destruction. For thousands of years they were given the opportunity to produce fruits of repentance. No honest hearted person can condemn someone to death while breaking the same Law that condemns themselves too death. The Law should have produced honest heart persons because all under it are convicted onto death!

When we as Christians under a new law producing life again return to the Old Law because of religious dogma or for whatever noble reason we will be known by our fruits. Either the fruits of Law or the fruits of love the identifying mark among Christians. The fruits of Law will be thrown into the fire: 1Cor. 3:11 For no one can lay any other foundation than that which has been laid, which is Jesus Christ.

- 3:12 But if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay, or stubble;
- 3:13 each man's work will be revealed. For the Day will declare it, because it is revealed in fire; and the fire itself will test what sort of work each man's work is.
- 3:14 If any man's work remains which he built on it, he will receive a reward.
- 3:15 If any man's work is burned, he will suffer loss, but he himself will be saved, but as through fire.

We are given a daily choice well I live under the Law of love, which fulfills the Old Law and be covered by the blood of Christ Jesus in forgiveness and mercy or the Old Law. Although law of love seems weak with no protection, where the Old Law will protect our physical life repaying injury for injury and building up or self-righteousness it will come to a fiery end.

Sept 26, 2009

Matt.7:21 Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter into the Kingdom of Heaven; but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.

Jesus words are consistent throughout the gospel accounts he tells us in the book of John that only those born of Spirit can enter into the kingdom of the heavens; "unless you are born again you cannot enter into the kingdom of heavens." The problem with those under Law is they can intelligently understand the Holy writings and explain them in terms of law, principles, dogma, but they are missing the well of God.

That is offensive to religious people that intellectualize the Holy writings, but it is the truth of God; Christian must be led by God Holy Spirit to do His well and to know His well in their lives. Paul made it clear that without the Holy Spirit a person could not know God. Personal relationships are based on trust/faith, which come from contact with the person; to know their minds, feelings, and heart. That is what being born again does for God's children through the Holy Spirit.

Many will say Lord, Lord, but they will not be known by God. Our flesh posses' things for its identity it repeat words to reinforce thoughts and make the words our own. But words of the flesh do not make God our own or His Son Christ Jesus, why? Because God is Spirit and so is Christ Jesus; without fleshly ownership; the repeating of ritual rather that be meetings attendance or saying a prayer over and over again has nothing to do with God. It is God's Holy Spirit that changes a person heart and produces the fruits of the Holy Spirit that God calls His well. The flesh will trick us by it's deceptive light working evil, but the Holy Spirit is a perfect unchangeable gift of light that is full of good fruits and mercy.

7:22 Many will tell me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, didn't we prophesy in your name, in your name cast out demons, and in your name do many mighty works?'

7:23 Then I will tell them, 'I never knew you. Depart from me, you who work iniquity.'

Can there be anything more deceptive then doing a powerful work in Jesus Christ name and it not come him? Yes, there can be and that is our hearts that produce the false powerful work: <u>Jer.17:9 The heart is deceitful</u> above all things, and it is exceedingly corrupt: who can know it?

When we understand the true nature of the sinful flesh that Jesus taught about we then can understand how people do powerful works in Jesus name and Jesus Christ not know them. According to Christ Jesus the flesh is of no value at all, it is the Spirit that gives life, why? The Holy Spirit is "new" (future, positive, not past, sin and death) and it produce a new person not of this earth from the sin of Adam, but a "new creation". The blood of Christ Jesus justifies our sin from Adam and gives us a new heart. In other words, the sin is paid for in Christ Jesus and done away with.

When powerful works are done in Christ Jesus as a "new creation" it is from God, but when they are done in the flesh in the name of Jesus Christ they are not of God. Being in the flesh and under the Old Law (not the Holy Spirit) a person is a worker of iniquity (lawless) because the Law is a curse exposing our sins. The Law required animal sacrifices to temporarily appease sin; so if you sin under the Old Law you must appease your sins through animal blood.

If your under the new covenant (new law of love) then you cannot go back to the Old Law and be in Christ Jesus. Christ Jesus is not speaking derogatorily in calling persons workers of iniquity, he is simply stating the facts that apply to all humans under the Old Law we are workers of iniquity and God through His great mercy has provided away out by forgiveness and salvation from our sins in Christ Jesus.

Matt.7:24 "Everyone therefore who hears these words of mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man, who built his house on a rock.

7:25 The rain came down, the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat on that house; and it didn't fall, for it was founded on the rock.

7:26 Everyone who hears these words of mine, and doesn't do them will be like a foolish man, who built his house on the sand.

7:27 The rain came down, the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat on that house; and it fell--and great was its fall."

Many a Christian have read Jesus words here and thought more Law! First of all Jesus Christ is the "Word of God"; so without question one must listen to his words carefully and build upon them, so what did Jesus the Word tell us?

John 3:14 As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up,

3:15 that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

3:17 For God didn't send his Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world should be saved through him.

3:18 He who believes in him is not judged. He who doesn't believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the one and only Son of God.

If you are a Christian no matter which group, does Jesus Christ perish? No, of course not! Are you a part of his body, if so then you won't perish either; there is but one faith, do you understand that, I mean really understand that our faith is Jesus Faith? Jesus has great faith; we receive his faith when we become part of his body. Do you think Jesus is being judged, well of course not, he fulfilled the Law perfectly there is no judgment against him.

Are you part of the body of Christ then there is no judgment against you either, God has bought and paid for you with Christ Jesus blood so you are no longer under the Judgment of the Old Law.

But what about Jesus words above regarding building upon him and judgment? Well who builds the body of Christ Jesus, God or man? So as long as you stay in your own works trying to be worthy of God's love you are justifying yourself under the Old Law. You are putting yourself under judgment and building upon sandy soil that Jesus warned against. But if you believe in the Word of God, Christ Jesus and put faith in his words you are saved.

That my friend is the ultimate test trusting Jesus Christ and his words that God loves you and has saved you through His Son Christ Jesus by your faith or believing in his words too you. A lack of faith in Jesus words puts us under the judgment that he took away, and you are building where you ought not build.

Sept 29, 2009

Matt.7:28 And it came about, when Jesus had come to the end of these words, that the people were surprised at his teaching,

7:29 for he was teaching as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

There are different types of authority the type of authority that enforce the Law a fearful thing. There is the type of authority that creates the Law and the type that is the Law. God is the Law, it is the fiber of His being and that is why not one of smallest particle of the Law will perish. God does not perish He is incorruptible and everlastingly Almighty.

Jesus Christ the Son of God is also the Law he has authority in the Law, and over the Law to accuses and excused person under it. God needs no law because He is law. When Jesus died too fulfill the Old Law he did not remove all laws, but replaced it with the perfect Law of Love, a greater encompassing law that only love can fulfill perfectly. How then can we fulfill the perfect Law of Love among ourselves? We cannot without God's help and a perfect gift of God's love in Jesus Christ.

All authority rest in Jesus Christ he takes us out of judgment and provides us with God's love so we may live in freedom of the Son's of God.

Yes, freedom! Love is freedom there is no burden under love's law, it is the authority given us in Christ Jesus to teach the new covenant inscribing it on hearts with help of the Holy Spirit the wonderful miracles of God's love.

When Jesus Christ finished the famous Sermon on the Mount his listeners were astonished in his teachings. Astonished in his authority to take thousands of years of oppressive Laws and bring them under God love for the world.

Sept 30, 2009

Rom.3:1 Then what advantage does the Jew have? Or what is the profit of circumcision?

3:2 Much in every way! Because first of all, they were entrusted with the oracles of God.

God Jehovah chose the nation of Israel for the love of one man Abraham, Abraham through his faith understood God's love. Yes! By faith even those under the Old Law could exceed its demands through the Law of Love. Abraham was just such a man offering up his beloved son Isaac at God's request. Because of God's love for Abraham he chose his children to become a special nation held out among all other nations on earth, to receive the oracles of God. That is something then and now, but a warning is in order here. Abraham's faith started the nation that was given the greatest privilege ever to mankind, but it would be same nation's lack of faith that killed another man with greater faith than Abraham, Christ Jesus the Son of God.

The first order by God to circumcise was also given to Abraham, by removing the flesh through circumcision God would form a great nation among all nations of the earth; this too was something. But something more was pictured here a greater circumcision performed not by humans hand but by God's hands of our hearts removing the sinful flesh through blotting out the law convicting us too death. We must always remember when looking at the physical nation of Israel there is a greater fulfillment that exceeds all human expectation, returning to the physical that pictures the greater is much like going back to the first grade after graduating college with a Doctorate.

Rom.3:3 For what if some were without faith? Will their lack of faith nullify the faithfulness of God?

3:4 May it never be! Yes, let God be found true, but every man a liar. As it is written, "That you might be justified in your words, and might prevail when you come into judgment." {Psalm 51:4}

Lack of faith is distrust in God and His Word, we have all done that, but does that nullify God's faithfulness? The nations of Israel for the most part rejected God's Son Christ Jesus in their lack faith that he was the Son of God the chosen Messiah. Today the same is true many lack faith in God's Son in this world.

Yet, billions throughout the history of man have put faith in God and His Son with no regrets at all. No matter how much lack of faith exists on earth there is one constant reminder that we need God and His Son Christ Jesus. And that remainder convicts us daily of sin and falling short of the glory of God. That reminder is the Law of God; when we are measured against its perfect standards we are found wanting. In other words, no human can say they have never had hate in their heart for someone, possibly a love one. Your anger convicts you of sin and death, and if you refused to admit that you've sinned in this manner then you are a liar! All honest hearted people know the truth about themselves and that is why every man is a liar and God is always found true through His Law that convicts us of sin and death. As long as we are judging other with so called greater imperfections we can hid our sins from ourselves, but God will be found true in our unrighteousness because the only way out of sin and death is forgiveness by God through His Son Christ Jesus.

Although we are no longer under the Old Law it is always there to convict us in self-righteousness when we judge others.

Oct 02, 2009

Rom.3:5 But if our unrighteousness commends the righteousness of God, what will we say? Is God unrighteous who inflicts wrath? I speak like men do.

3:6 May it never be! For then how will God judge the world?

The Apostle Paul's words here seem complicated and they are if we do not understand the context of the letter to the Romans. The context Paul is bringing to the Roman is Christ Jesus; being set free through his righteousness. In other words, Christ Jesus death as the sacrificial Lamb of God replaced the righteousness of the Old Law. The Old Law convicts all of us as unrighteous, the Old Law judges the entire world as sinners and unrighteous no matter how closely one thinks they can follow the Old Law.

Many of the Jews were convinced that their righteousness came through Law, although the Law was good and set the nation a part as God chosen people it did not make a person righteous or non-sinner. In fact, it did just the opposite which was convict all under it as sinners deserving of death.

Paul would set the sage proving throughout his arguments in the book of Romans that the superiority was in Christ Jesus by being freed in him and at the same time giving the Romans brothers/sisters a sinless standing before God so that the Old Law had no power over them. Although the Law called for punishment and God's wrath Christ Jesus called for God's love and forgiveness. So in all ways God is proves righteous even in our unrighteousness that calls for God wrath upon us.

Oct 03, 2009

Rom.3:7 For if the truth of God through my lie abounded to his glory, why am I also still judged as a sinner?

We should not flatter ourselves in saying we are not liars, the very nature of sinful humans cause us to live a lie each day. We cannot be completely honest with all people, someone we care about ask us to be honest with them and we know if we tell them the absolute truth about a habit or some other little thing they do that bothers us and otherswell? So from our employer to our family, mates, and friend we are less then honest. Yes, Paul was a liar when balanced in the scales of the Old Law as all people are. Christ Jesus alone was not a liar he; was the truth and lived it and walked in the truth, and that is why he alone is worthy and did complete the Law for us.

When God looks at the requirements of the Old Law that convicts us too death He looks a Christ Jesus blood instead of the Law. Do you understand this? Well the Israelites understood the importance of blood. God told them to kill the pass-over lamb and sprinkle its blood on their door post of their homes and when the angle of death seen the blood he would pass-over their home and not kill their first born.

Christ Jesus is our pass-over lamb, though we are convicted under the Old Law as sinner, liars, and unrighteous God looks at the blood of Christ we put faith in and pass-over our judgment under the Old Law. Yes, the Romans must see the superiority of Christ Jesus less they fall back into the sin of the Old Law and trample upon the blood of Christ Jesus as common dirt!

Oct 04, 2009

Rom. 3:8 Why not (as we are slanderously reported, and as some affirm that we say), "Let us do evil, that good may come?" Those who say so are justly condemned.

Here indeed slander is being spoken against the Apostle Paul by the Jews wanting to bring the Romans Christians back under the Old Law. Moreover, this is where confusion and the same type of slander is level against the Apostle Paul by modern Christian as well. Those wanting the Old Law reasoned that without the Law people would become lawless and do whatever they chose to do, it was the Law that kept them in check and righteous. Paul understood that the Law was for those that are lawless wanting to do evil not the good. But he also understood that God Holy Spirit that anointed him and his brothers and sisters had written God's laws of love upon their hearts; God's love was always in their hearts to correct and direct them throughout their earthly life.

Paul put absolute faith in the power of Christ headship over the body members, he further understood that an incorruptible seed of God's Holy Spirit was sown in the hearts of God's Children, and their very desire would be too please God, not displease Him and becoming lawless; for they were God's Children not the Devils.

And finally Christ Jesus fulfilling the Old Law did not lower the standards of the Old Law, no, not at all!

It raised the standards in loving our neighbors, and our enemies and makes us aware of hating one another in our hearts. No! Paul was not creating lawlessness in exercising his faith in Christ Jesus he was doing exactly what each of us need to do as Christian trust the power of Christ Jesus blood and God's love for us.

Oct 05, 2009

3:9 What then? Are we better than they? No, in no way. For we previously warned both Jews and Greeks, that they are all under sin.

God is not partial His Judgments are just and fair. He does not let the rich off while punishing the poor. He does not turn away the widow or the fatherless boy. God has placed a judgment upon all sinners according to His Law and that is death. Cruel as that seems to many even some Christian it is not. Until the human race comes back to perfect love we will continue destroying each other. Each generation wants to govern their live with or without God, but for thousands of years it always ended in one place,- death.

Without perfect love the human race will continual in the ways of death. Until we see our ways as ending in death, even our best motivates; we cannot understand God or perfect love, that is, why love is so important too us. God in His wisdom created the Old Law, which is nothing more then, what we should do if we love each other. The Old Law had punishment for not loving one another, which most often ending in death. Why? Because the nature of sinful humans is to think we are right no matter how sinful we are. Yes, there is nothing in our modern times that the human race cannot justify if they set their hearts upon it. But brought under the standards of God's Law all people are force to acknowledge they are sinner. Paul certain did not hold back in showing this to the Jews or the Greeks.

Oct 06, 2009

Rom.3:10 As it is written, "There is no one righteous; no, not one.

There is not one righteous person? That is a large order when looking back at thousands of years to all of God's faithful servants, what did Paul mean here?

Well he meant that according to the Old Law all person are convicted as unrighteous that is why there had to be blood spilled for forgiveness of sin. No person could be declared righteous under the Old Law it simply convicted people of their sins.

For Christian to be declared righteous they must take some else blood that blood is the righteous blood of Christ Jesus. Christ Jesus blood is not a magic potion of some sort, it does not exist on earth today, it's what it stands for; do you know what it stands for? It stands for the precious life of God's own Son Christ Jesus. A perfect precious life willingly laid down for the human race so we may gain eternal life with our Father Jehovah God.

Without shedding his precious blood that represents eternal life we are lost with nothing more then this life and its pain of death. No person on earth could provide such a sinless precious gift of eternal life, but the Son of God. So when we put faith in God gift we have eternal, we must accept it as it is given not part Old Law with some of Christ Jesus blood, we must put our entire life in God's hands trusting the power God has placed in His Son's blood. Although there is no righteous person on earth born of Adams linage there are many righteous people professing Jesus Christ born again in his linage.

Oct 07, 2009

Rom.3:11 There is no one who understands. There is no one who seeks after God.

How could the Apostle Paul state that no one understands God, and no one seek God? We know that this can't be true because many person sought God throughout the history of God's people and many were given God's directions to speak and execute judgment towards his people, so what is he talking about here? Well to understand we must look at the context of Paul's letter to the Romans.

Paul is talking about the Old Law, under the Old Law no matter how much you wanted to know God it was not completely possible. There was something missing to truly understand God's heart that something was the Holy Spirit which adopted a person into a son ship with God. No person, but Christ Jesus and Adam had a son-ship with God. Once he gave his life 13

for us and returned to heaven a new way was open to all who put faith in the Son of God.

The Holy Spirit was poured out and adoption was performed through the operation of God's Holy Spirit. The person adopted was given a gift of Christ Jesus righteousness so that they would be sinless before God according to the judgment of the Old Law.

Now people could for the first time understand God according to love not the Old Law. The Old Law was removed and the veil lifted to see God and His personality as a loving Father not a Law giving Judge. So under the Old Law no one could truly seek God or know Him personally. What can we take away from all of this, something so great as this? Hopefully appreciation for the great gift given us; the prophets of old would have loved too received and seen in their time what we have in Christ Jesus. It should further humble us in knowing we are in no way better than those prophets prior to Christ Jesus; it just so happens that we were born after Christ Jesus laid down his life for us. Thus, we can receive the Holy Spirit because of Christ Jesus righteousness.

Oct 08, 2009

Rom.3:12 They have all turned aside. They have together become unprofitable. There is no one who does good, no, not, so much as one."{Psalms 14:1-3; 53:1-3; Ecclesiastes 7:20}

The passage here in Paul's letter to the Romans are hard words they seem out of character when we think of faithful men such as Noah, Moses and Daniel and so many more faithful witnesses of God. But they are not new words recorded to the Holy Spirit: Jer.17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and it is exceedingly corrupt: who can know it? The problem here is that most of us do not understand law unless we studied the law or the legal field. Law is not based on emotion, law point up the facts without human emotions. People convicted by the law bring their emotions into the law because it is a painful experience. The facts are according to the Old Law there is not one good person we have all been convicted as a sinner under the Old Law without emotions.

The Apostle Paul rightly stated here according to the letter of the Law all had turned aside and not one does good that includes us and the prophets of old. And this is why it is so important that all Christian truly understand the power of Jesus Christ.

Without Jesus Christ precious blood we have no good works before God. With his precious blood we are declared righteous and because of that we receive the Holy Spirit that allows us to be the temple of the living God.

May we never trade our wonderful miraculous privilege for a religion, group, or person that bring us back under Law striping us from the temple of living God!

Oct 09-2009

Rom.3:13 "Their throat is an open tomb. With their tongues they have used deceit." {Psalm 5:9} "The poison of vipers is under their lips;" {Psalm 140:3}

Would you put your life in the hands of someone like this? A throat that's an open tomb, a tongues that uses deceit, and a vipers poison under their lips? Well according to the conviction of the Old Law that is what we are in God's sight, yes! Without God's Son blood we are not good people, not even someone we can trust or should trust. Jer.17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things.

Now one can understand why we should not put our everlasting life into any human hands, we can also understand why worshipping anything other then God ends in death. And yet the churches and religious groups throughout the world do just that holding great personality up as icons to be followed and yes worshipped. It should not seem strange to us reading the words of Jesus and his Apostle words why there is found no stories of the great men and woman serving Christ Jesus in the gospel accounts. No we find just the opposite "slaves" of Christ Jesus not wonderful personality of great people that have done so much for humanity, but humble, loving, servants of the living God. Jesus Christ himself said this: Luke 18:19 Jesus asked him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good, except one--God.

Luke16:15 He said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves in the sight of men, but God knows your hearts. For that which is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.

Luke17:7 But who is there among you, having a servant plowing or keeping sheep, that will say, when he comes in from the field, 'Come immediately and sit down at the table,'

- 17:8 and will not rather tell him, 'Prepare my supper, clothe yourself properly, and serve me, while I eat and drink. Afterward you shall eat and drink'?
- 17:9 Does he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded? I think not.
- 17:10 Even so you also, when you have done all the things that are commanded you, say, 'We are unworthy servants. We have done our duty.'"

May we not kiss the hand of a viper, while giving glory to God in justifying are evil lust to please men for reorganization, gain, and fame.

Oct 10, 2009

Rom. 3:14 "Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness."{Psalm 10:7}

Is this not the condition of the human heart without God's Spirit despite our pretenses? Do you love God or are you convincing people that you love God, while denying your own heart condition? Well no matter how sweet we are or how much humor we attach, or intellect we apply; God says this is the human condition of our heart.

It not what goes into our mouth but what come out of our hearts that God judges. And when we think we can cover up our true heart condition with deceit of smiles and nice words God tells us this: <u>Jer.17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and it is exceedingly corrupt: who can know it?</u>

17:10 I, Yahweh, search the mind, I try the heart, even to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his doings.

No we do not serve God too change others, we serve God because He is truth and love although His truth and love convict us of sin.

We love God because He is truth although that truth makes us see our true heart condition. If we cannot see the foundation of the human condition we cannot grow into the spiritual temple of the living God nor can we help others too let God into their lives.

Sadly, what we will do is make hypocrites like us! We allow some of God's truth, while having them look to us as a special person that has changed their own heart condition. It is easy to follow flesh and much harder to follow the Holy Spirit on to the narrow and cramped road leading into life.

Many are the Christians giving glory to their personal efforts in changing in to a so called "good person", rather than speaking the truth of their bad heart condition without God Holy Spirit and giving glory too God in changing them into a Christ like person with a new heart.

Oct 11, 2009

Rom. 3:15 "Their feet are swift to shed blood.

How many have died in the name of Jesus Christ or Christianity throughout the last 2000-years? How has this happened when Jesus Christ himself gave up his life without a fight and so did his Apostles and the early Christians? Well this is the results of bring back the Old Law into Christianity. The Law requires an execution for those judged violators of its commandments.

When great and small institution of Christendom set themselves up as teachers of God Law instead of worshipping in "truth and spirit" as Christ Jesus died for; the results is confusion in love and judgments in the name of Jesus Christ the king of peace. This judging according to laws, dogma, and principle carry into the very fiber of the personality of Christendom's disciples. Although they may proclaim a passives stand according to the wars of the nations they continue in their hearts warring with members of their own family, congregation, friends, and neighbors; all in the name of Christ Jesus.

Wherein they cannot stop judging believing they have a God given right to judge other according to Jesus Christ words.

When in fact worshiping in truth and spirit is just the opposite; Christ Jesus came to take the guilt and condemnation of Law away so no more do we judge according to it but in love. Those under the Old Law are under a curse because there is only one penalty, death for themselves and others.

When Christian go back to the Old Law they are forced to determine according to principles of it; who is deserving of life, and death, they must parse out greater and smaller sins and determine which receives what punishment? In doing this it can become a conscience matter determined by each Christian, and likewise also the punishment. Abuse is ramped among Christian families; do to a mixing of God's New Law of love with the principle of the Old Law.

Good and bad water does not come from the same spring; good and bad does not come from God we are mislead by our sinful flesh if we think so.

Matt.7:1 "Don't judge, so that you won't be judged. 7:2 For with whatever judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with whatever measure you measure, it will be measured to you.

Oct 12, 2009

Rom.3:16 Destruction and misery are in their ways.

It seems that all the good that humans do ends up in the big picture fulfilling the Apostle Paul's inspired words too the Romans: "destruction and misery are in their ways". People have done amazing things in helping their fellow humans and we are thankful for their noble efforts. But if we take God's view from another world the spirit world where there is no death, pain, or sickness it appears just as recorded here in God word in the book of Romans.

Sin produce death no matter how noble we are it all ends in one place death. Lives can be saved temporary through amazing technology, but it will end eventually in death. No one could tell Adam and Eve how devastating their decision would be for the human race. And according to the Paul's words above we human still cannot be told, or will we listen to how devastating our decisions are to others.

When we take our eyes off the big picture and focus only on the here and now it all ends in death; trying to fix a problem that no human can fix or will every fix. Letting go of our pride and asking God too help us is the only way out of death. Most of the human race will not do that feeling God is to blame for the problems, when in fact He is giving each of us a choice in choosing good and evil. This proves He is love beyond human understanding. There is a new heaven and new earth God is preparing for those that choose good, who's deepest desire is to love and served the King of Eternity. No human being can ever served the God of love out of duty or obligation; we have to learn from our own experiences of evil and good. And that He alone is the right way and the only one that can fix the big picture.

Oct 13, 2009

Rom.3:17 The way of peace, they haven't known."{Isaiah 59:7-8}

Humans desire peace, but it eludes them like a rainbow in the heavens, why? Real peace can never be founded upon self-interest, and sins promote self-interest. Politicians promote peace for self-interest, neighbors and families do the same; others use war or fighting to get their self-interest meant. One can take the noblest idea and sin promotes self-interest in wealth, fame, greed, lust, and all kinds of evil motivate can developed.

And that my friend is the point that each of us human has to come too, wherein we humble ourselves and accept God words as true, that is: "Jeremiah 10:23 Yahweh, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man who walks to direct his steps".

Human must learn to bow before the King Yahweh God, not before the king of self-interest and that is coming in God's do time. God is the Creator of life all that touches Him is life; sin cannot touch Him because it is death. For that reason the Kingdom to come is not built with human hands, but God's Holy hands free from human sin. Do not be mislead if you are building a kingdom it will not be incorporated into God's Kingdom, nor will it be recognized as a noble cause in saving the human race.

Daniel 2:34 You saw until a stone was cut out without hands, which struck the image on its feet that were of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces.

2:35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken in pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away, so that no place was found for them: and the stone that struck the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

Oct 14, 2009

Rom.3:18 "There is no fear of God before their eyes." {Psalm 36:1}

We humans do take liberty when it comes to God, God is self-effacing that is evident in His letting this world go on. Moreover, when looking at the creation God has not put his name on it in a personal logo. Humans want recognition for every little achievement they do in this world they give honors for every field of human endeavor.

Because of God is self-effacing love for us He daily lets Himself be wronged, and misunderstood. He does not send us angles to defend His personal rights with threats of punishment for our boastful actions that we do against Him. He lets unrighteous men take credit in talking about Him to others, in building wealth through organization, all the while the evil done by the same organizations is blamed onto God.

We do not fear God as humans and that is because God is love and is self-effacing. When humans stand before human authority they humble themselves in fear, knowing the power of words can make them or break them. We will all have an accounting with God either the God of love, or the God of Law, depending on how we judge each others, ourselves, and God.

Oct 15, 2009

Rom.3:19 Now we know that whatever things the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be closed, and all the world may be brought under the judgment of God. 20

Do you really understand what Apostle Paul is saying here? We as humans have a choice to make are we going to chose Law or Christ Jesus? Each Christian will be faced with this question somewhere in our walk with Christ Jesus. Why do people choose Law? Well law is material and material people chose law. We can start in Spirit as a Christian and go back to the Law when we want the things of this world or for fear of persecution.

Yes, Law is powerful, secure, and protects us from attacks of others physically, verbally, and emotionally. Moreover, we can make others do what we want, how so? Well can churches exist if they could not create guilt? Would people actually go or give money without guilt? It is easy to see religions faults, but all of us can use the Law to get what we want from others. We must remember our mouths will be shut in judgment when we use the Law to control and protect our interest. Whereas Christian who choose Christ Jesus may lose their rights under Law and be treated badly by this world even outcast, however, they will gain the wonderful reward of actually knowing God in Spirit and Truth, and being pleasing too Him. When God's judgment comes; as it must they will be free of judgments in Christ Jesus.

Oct 16, 2009

Rom 3:20 Because by the works of the law, no flesh will be justified in his sight. For through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

Why do Christians continue to try and prove themselves worthy by works of Law when it is not humanly possible as God Himself says? Well it is because they are walking by flesh and not in God's Holy Spirit; the sinful flesh must prove its worth and justify itself in all matters of this life. The sinful flesh cannot trust anything fully let alone that God is loves, and He will keep His promises too us.

When the flesh sees God it sees Him as a Law giver so one must prove themselves by keeping the Law perfectly. However, the Law cannot be kept perfectly it exposes us to sin. The flesh is force then to live a lie convincing itself, and others that it is keeping the Law. Thus, the flesh cannot trust God because it is living a lie. It is forced into distrusting God making Him into a harsh Law giver finding faults with us, keeping account of every sin we've committed. When the flesh fines itself in a religion it will spend its entire time pleasing people to justify itself. It believes that if religious people

accept them then God must as well. The flesh lives in constant guilt, and it is plagued by religion for service and money. These too are works performed under Law in trying to justifying oneself before God and man.

This is why the Law is a curse for those justifying themselves under it. However those walking in the Spirit have no use for the flesh at all, they have God's Laws written in their heart and they know a God of love rather than judgment. They have been set free from the Law Judgment in Christ Jesus. They seek to be closer to God through faith and love they understand God, and want to serve Him. He is their loving Father that discloses His love too them through the Holy Spirit. Oct 17, 2009

Rom.3:21 But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being testified by the law and the prophets;

What is the righteousness of God without the Law? God righteousness is revealed in Christ Jesus so we may understand Him; Christ Jesus came in the flesh and showed us a glory of God as an only begotten Son of God could. The Law and the prophets pointed to him and he fulfilled all they spoke about him in Holy writ.

Christians must understand the basic building blocks of their faith, that is, Christ Jesus has become their "righteousness" when they accepted him not the Old Law. God righteousness could not be made known fully or with a positive outcome through the Old Law, why? The Law is one-sided in that it demonstrated judgment not mercy or love. Christ Jesus becomes our righteousness and reveals the truth to us about God; that He loves us unto the death of His own Son Jesus Christ.

There are two "righteousness"; the righteousness by Law, which produce death and does not go beyond death, and the righteousness of God through Christ Jesus that is life and goes into eternal life. The righteousness of God is Christ Jesus for us, his righteousness is superior revealing too us a God of love with tender care for His earthly Children.

However, many Christians today remain under law although they confess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savoir believing they can have both. Sweet and bitter does not come from the same spring. Love is the Laws fulfillment adding Law to love produces nothing but death.

Oct 18, 2009

Rom.3:22 even the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ to all and on all those who believe. For there is no distinction,

What is faith? Well it is a gift given too us by God, it is one of the many gifts of the Holy Spirit: Gal.5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faith, 5:23 gentleness, and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Many Christians mistakenly believe faith comes from their self-well, that is, if they repeat certain words over and over again it produce faith. Real faith on the other hand, comes from God and His Holy Spirit (shown above Gal.6:22, 23.) It produces trust for God and abiding peace that God's hand is always upon us. It also produces trust that God will keep His words to us that fully trust in them. It is a trust that God knows the very hairs of our head, and that each human life is precious too Him.

Moreover, having faith proves God is love, how so? Because it is a gift and it is not from our self-will so if you have faith it is because God loves you. The question is; what do we put our faith in? Paul above is addressing that issue in the book of Romans; where would the Romans brothers and sisters place their faith in Christ Jesus alone or in men promoting the Old Law?

You see as we consider the book or Romans here is the real issues; men were promoting both Law and Christ Jesus, Paul on the other hand preached only Christ Jesus. Sadly many of the churches today unwittingly do the same, which creates a constant state of fear and unworthiness for their flocks.

Oct 19, 2009

Rom.5:24 Those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and lusts.

How have we crucified our flesh? Well there is much confusion over Paul's words here among Christians for some two-thousand years. Harsh treatment of our bodies is of no value in pleasing God: Col.2:20 Wherefore, if ye are dead with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances, 2:21 (Touch not; taste not; handle not; 2:22 Which all are to perish with the using;) according to the commandments and doctrines of men? 2:23 Which things have indeed a show of wisdom in will-worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body; not in any honor to the satisfying of the flesh.

So how is our flesh crucified? When we accept Christ Jesus, that is, put our faith in him we receive his "righteousness". For us too receive his righteousness we must die too our sinful flesh; we must pay the price for our sins. "The wages of sin is death". So God buries us in Christ Jesus or in his death. In other words, Christ crucifixion is imputed too us by God, we then have died according to our sin or paid the price through Christ Jesus death not ours. Now God can raise us in Christ Jesus and consider us sinless according to the Old Law. We must remember here none of this is done according to our self-will, but the will of God. All of this is a miracle beyond human control, hands, or self-will, we have done nothing to deserve it, nor can we earn it after, we have been raised with Christ Jesus.

And this is why religions that promote both Christ Jesus and Law are dangerous; putting people under deaths Law once again trying earn what is not possible to earned through self-will or law.

Oct 19, 2009

Rom.3:23 for all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God;

Many today and even some Christians do not believe in sin! They do not believe in sin because they consider themselves a good person. Sin means missing the mark, what mark? Well if you have ever had hate for some one in your heart you've missed the mark. If you have ever looked at the opposite sex with lust in your heart you've have missed the mark. The mark is the Old Law;

God the creator of us says that for us to function as a perfect creature without death we must live perfectly under the Law. If we cannot do that then we are sinful and sin produce death, not God, but sin in us.

On the other hand, if you can be perfect under the Old Law the reward is life. How do we know that because Christ Jesus lived perfect under the Old Law and he was given eternal life. In other words, we cannot be independent of God as Adam and Eve wanted to be. However, most of us don't really believe that we think we can earn life by good works. But Apostle Paul is telling the Romans; "no you can't; no one can, all fall short of glory of God".

Real glory to God is being able to live a perfect life without hating someone in our hearts, lusting for sex, or being greed of gain etc.. But if we do those things God calls it sin and we miss the mark under the Law. So there no way out without God's help, God has provided us that help in Christ Jesus because he lived perfectly under the Old Law without sin.

Oct 20, 2009

Rom.3:24 being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus;

Do you believe you have been justified "freely" in Christ Jesus? If so then you will not try to earn a good standing with God; you will believe in God's grace or underserved kindness not merit through good works. Merit through good works or earning grace/underserved kindness makes us a hypocrite, why? Because it can't be done it is impossible to earn the grace of God if we believe we can then we make God a liar!

God is not a liar we are, and God will be found true, the only person to ever earn God's underserved kindness was Christ Jesus because he lived perfectly under the Old Law. None of us can, so we are liars if we think we can earn God's favor through good works. Grace is a free gift it cannot be earned no more then a person earns a gift from a human that loves them. If the gift is earned than it is not a gift, but an obligation for works performed.

Obligations make people angry if not paid, have you ever been angry with God?

Well if you have then you believe you've earned God grace/underserved kindness. When we receive a gift freely we never get angry with the person because it was not earned, expected, or deserved. We feel love for the person generosity, now this is the sickness of those wanting to be under Law after receiving the free gift of grace.

Oct 21, 2009

Rom.3:25 whom God set forth to be an atoning sacrifice{or, a propitiation), through faith in his blood, for a demonstration of his righteousness through the passing over of prior sins, in God's forbearance;

When a person is convicted of the law for murder what a waits them is the final judgment of death. There is no forbearance allowed accept that which the State gives for an appeals. Provisions are provided the convicted persons in the necessity of life in prison. The conviction is righteous according to the laws of the land and for the protection of society. The law does not show mercy or love for the convicted it executes the law without feelings or forbearance. It does not make provision for atonement.

When we bring back the Old Law instead of Christ Jesus all the above statements become true in our case. Yes! For hate in your heart is murder according to God's Law. When Christians do not understand the superiority of Jesus Christ they convicted themselves a fresh. Churches and Christians organizations are full of people paying tithes, counting meeting attendance, being busy bodies in other people business all in the name of Christ Jesus thinking they will earn merit with God.

Sadly these Christians are wore-out in their flesh through strong emotions believing if they do not preach and drag people to Christ Jesus they will be condemned by God. What an obligation works of law has placed upon them to be saved: Rom. 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who don't walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

Our flesh strong emotions do not please God our faith in Christ Jesus does. Our trust he was raises, and we have no condemnation in him because we are a part of him matters with God, not our personal feelings of worthiness. When we divorce ourselves from religious doctrine that obligates us to God by rules, laws and dogma, and accepted the word of God as little children in complete trust and love we have no condemnation under the Old Law or any lesser laws for that matter.

Oct 22, 2009

Rom.3:26 to demonstrate his righteousness at this present time; that he might himself be just, and the justifier of him who has faith in Jesus.

All of our righteousness is but blood rages compared too God's righteousness. We have no righteousness we have pride, sin does not produce righteousness, and we are all sinners. A Christian has no self-righteousness they have Jesus Christ righteousness imputed too them. God made the provision for atonement we did not as humans, God gave us the Passover lamb, and the way out of death through the blood of the lamb, we did not do that.

In doing so God is righteous and justified legally, and also in showing love towards the sinful human race. We cannot provide a signal thing, not even our faith; it too has been given us as a gift from God. Every day Christians fight and struggle to prove they are righteous to others because they believe in Jesus Christ. This is foolish and self-willed pride not the righteous given too us in Christ Jesus. It is nothing but a prideful struggle under Law trying to climb to the top or the heap of "I am better then you. I am going to prove I a better Christian than you". What is wanted is to prove your self-righteous over Christ Jesus righteousness that has been imputed too you through God's gift of love. The sin of self-righteousness cannot be washed clean in Christ Jesus righteous blood until we humble ourselves and accept with humility God's grace.

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