

## Lesson 10

# Jesus and the Ten Commandments

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## Are You a Follower of Christ

Let me ask you the reader, a question. Do you consider yourself a Christian? If you do, then wouldn't it be a good idea to know what Jesus taught? Isn't it what Jesus taught that which defines who a Christian is? To truly call yourself a Christian, isn't it required of you to live by the teachings of Jesus the Christ?

What Jesus actually taught, I cover in detail, in the chapters titled, "The Teachings of Jesus," elsewhere in this Web Page. In short, what Jesus taught has everything to do with morality. What Jesus taught also has as its foundation the Ten Commandments. This I have touched upon before but I will be giving additional evidence once more in this Lesson.

## Defining a Christian

If you look up the word "*Christian*" in the Encarta Dictionary it is defined as: someone whose religion is Christianity, a religion based upon the belief that Jesus Christ as the Son of God, or the Messiah, and acceptance of his teachings, contained in the Gospels.

I accept this as the correct definition of what it means to be a Christian as it was at the first, the first 200 years after Jesus. Unfortunately this is not how a Christian is defined today. As they exist today, a Christian is further defined as someone who observes the Sabbath on the First Day of the Week, (Sunday). Unfortunately this is not what Jesus taught, and is not the definition of what it is to be a Saint of God.

I want to show you how it may be possible that you do not fit Jesus' definition of what it is to be a Saint of God, but instead how you in fact follow Satan's False Gospel and you do not even know it. It is this error caused by Satan's lies that make you a Christian as it is defined today, but causes you to fall short of being a Saint of God. There is a difference.

## Defining a Saint of God

How does Jesus define the Saints of God?

*“Those which keep the Commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ?”* **Revelation 12:17**

If you go to your Bible and look at this verse, you will see that this is the definition of those who the “**Dragon**” makes war upon. The Dragon **is Satan**, so if he is making war on someone, then they must by definition be those who are “**Righteous in the eyes of God.**” What reason would Satan have to make war on someone who has already fallen from the Way of God?

If you live in a life of immorality, then what purpose would Satan have to make war on you? Satan’s purpose is to cause you to stop giving correct and true worship to God. If you are already in disobedience to the Law of God then you are already someone who is not a Saint of God. Satan makes war on those who are Righteous in the eyes of God, who live their lives in the morality of God.

## Those Who Keep

The first part of Jesus’ definition is that they are “**Those Who Keep.**” The question is then, “**What DO They Keep?**” The answer to that question is, “**The Commandments of God.**” So we must ask another question, “**What is The Commandments of God?**” The answer to that question, in case you are unsure, is the **Ten Commandments** specifically, and all the other of God’s Commandments that are derived from or have as their base, the Ten Commandments as are given in the Books of the Bible.

**Remember:** The Ten Commandments are an abbreviation of all that is written in the Books of the Bible. Each Commandment has meaning beyond that of the words that make up the commandment. God gave Man the Ten as a way of giving an easy to remember summarization of all that they entail.

## Have the Testimony

The Second part of Jesus’ definition is that they are “**Those who have the Testimony of Jesus Christ.**” So once again we are obligated to ask the question, “**What was it that Jesus Christ gave testimony of?**”

There are two parts to what Jesus gave testimony concerning.

**First:** Jesus testified that he was the Son of God, and the Messiah, which translates to Jesus being God in the Flesh of a Man. The God of Heaven, the same God who gave Moses the Ten Commandments, came to the Earth in the body of a Man, so as to show his wayward children the path back to Righteousness, which they had strayed away from.

**Second:** Jesus taught Righteousness, in the form of the Way of God, which is the way of Morality, and brotherly love.

## Are You a Saint of God

So again I ask you the reader, are you a Saint of God, do you meet all of the requirements of what this definition entails? The First Christian's for the first 200 years after Jesus did in fact fit into this definition, but then Satan began enticing people away, and through lies and deceptions, began to give definitions of Scripture that was not as the author, (God), had originally intended. I have already shown you some of these lies, in the previous lessons, and I will continue to do so throughout these lessons and chapters.

## Walking the Walk

There are two aspects shown in the above definition that give definition to what it means to be a Christian.

1. Accept and believe Jesus is the Son of God: Everyone who calls themselves a Christian that I have talked to, accept this.
2. Accept and live by the Teachings of Jesus, as they are spelled out in God's Holy Gospel, which we can find in the pages of the Bible. It is in this that Christians of today fall short.

Every Christian that I have spoken to has assured me that they believe without a doubt that Christ Jesus was, is, and will always be, The Son of God. A few are not so certain that Jesus Christ is God in the Flesh of a Man, but by far and away, most do. This tells me that of those that I have spoken to, think that they are true Christian's, based solely on this the first element of the definition.

It is in the second element of the definition that virtually all I have spoken to fall short. Again, the second element tells us that you must accept the Teachings of Jesus, as they are written in God's Holy Gospel.

What does that mean to “Accept” something? The word “Accept” is defined as: to acknowledge a fact or truth and come to terms with it, to tolerate something without protesting or attempting to change it, to acknowledge that something is true. How this translates to belief in Jesus, is to understand that the words spoken by Jesus are true as they were written down by the Apostles of Jesus. That you must accept those words and the meaning that Jesus intended, without attempting to disagree, or change the meaning to fit your own preferences.

## Jesus Fulfilled the Laws of God

*And now, Israel, what doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy god, to walk in all his ways, and to love him and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul. Deuteronomy 10:12*

I have shown in earlier lessons how Jesus taught morality and that in so doing he fulfilled the Laws (morality) of God. I have also shown that Jesus' First Commandment is pointing to words written in the Book of Deuteronomy and that Jesus is referencing that to Love God with all your Heart, Soul and Mind is manifest by keeping the Ten Commandments.

## What Does God Require of you?

What doth the Lord thy God require of thee? In these words Moses is asking all who wish to give worship to God, what it is that their God asks, or commands of them?

## To Fear the Lord thy God

But to fear the Lord thy God, is part of the answer, but what does it mean to fear God? The English word “Fear” is defined as, to cause terror, dread, anxiety, alarm, horror, freight and panic. This definition is as Satan wants that you should think of God, that you should fear him as some kind of a dreadful being, quick to take revenge upon anyone who is disobedient to him, but this is not as God intends when he uses the original Hebrew word, “Yare” {yaw ray} which is defined as, to revere, to make afraid, to dread, to give reverence to.

The word “Reverence” is further defined as, to give respect, admiration, worship, awe, veneration, devotion. As you can see, by going to the original language that the Book of Deuteronomy was written in, a whole different understanding of what God wants from us shines through. This is God's Truth,

found through my diligent study of the Bible and my willingness to research beyond the current understanding to find the full truth.

God does not want you to fear him as to be afraid of him, he wants us to show respect for all that he stands for, to give him admiration and devotion, and in this way you give him worship. It is in this way that you “**Fear the Lord your God.**”

## Walk in all God's Ways

**To walk in all his ways:** the question needs to be asked, what are the **Ways of God?** This question can only be answered if you know who God is. As I have shown in earlier lessons, God is defined by the Ten Commandments and the additional morality taught to us by Jesus. Once you learn all that then you will know what all the Ways of God are.

**And to love him:** Again, we must ask a question, how has God told us to love him? The answer to this is found in **Deuteronomy 10:13**. When we keep the Ten Commandments and the moral teachings of Jesus, we are manifesting our love for God.

**And to Serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul:** The word “**Serve**” is defined as: **To work for, to give help to, to aid, and to assist.** As you can see from these synonyms God does not want that we become his slaves, but that we become his willing assistants, and helpers.

In what form then does this assistance take? Jesus gives us answer to that in his second commandment. In his Second Commandment, Jesus commands that we carry on the work that he started, to love others as we would have others love us. That translates out to showing others the way to God's Truth, just as the teachings of Jesus showed you and me to God's Truth.

## Keep the commandments

*To keep the commandments of the Lord, and his statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good?*

### **Deuteronomy 10:13**

In **Deuteronomy 10:12** God asks a question, then in **Deuteronomy 10:13** God answers his own question. If you desire to give true and correct worship to God, and do as God has asked of you, then you must keep the Commandments of God, which are based upon the Ten Commandments. All other commandments given in the Bible are derived from and in deference to the Ten Commandments.

## Do Not Break the Ten Commandments

I have further shown in earlier lessons how Jesus tells us that not one of the Laws of God will be removed from the Laws of God until all is 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 5:19***

When you put all of this into context of what Jesus is teaching us, it tells me that the Ten Commandments are as valid and necessary now for those who call themselves Christian as they were for the first Israelites during the time of Moses. This then is given support by Jesus' own definition of which it is that is a Saint of God.

## Jesus Defines a Saint of God

This then tells me that the full and complete definition of being a Christian must also include what it is defined as to be a Saint of God, which is, those who Keep the Commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. **Revelation 12:17**

## Commandments Not Temporary

I have shown how Satan lied when he said, "**The Ten Commandments are a temporary arrangement between God and the Jews.**" Everything that Jesus has preached tells me this is a lie.

Therefore, all of the Ten Commandments are to be kept, not just those that you find convenient. This to me means that those who call themselves Christian and observe the First Day (Sunday) as the Sabbath are not in fact Christian as it is defined.

## Seventh Day Sabbath

The Fourth Commandment is very clear, that Saturday or the Seventh Day of the week is the Lords Holy Sabbath.

Satan Lied when he said, “**The Seventh Day Sabbath had been abolished and that observance of the Sabbath was transferred to the First Day of the week.**” There is nothing in God’s Holy Gospel where God or Jesus gives instruction or command that the Sabbath has been transferred to another day. There is nothing in God’s Holy Gospel where God or Jesus gives instruction or command that the first day of the week is holy or sanctified by God. Either you “***Accept***” and believe that the word of Jesus is true, or you fall short of being a Saint of God, and continue in your tradition of observing Sunday as the Sabbath. Do not just give lip service to being a Christian, “***Talking the Talk,***” but “***Walk the Walk,***” by doing as God-Jesus teaches us. Be a Saint of God.

## Jesus Not Come to Destroy

In discussions with many who call themselves Christian, I have found few actually know what Jesus taught, or that it also relates back to God’s Commandments. Let’s take a look therefore at what Jesus had to say about the Ten Commandments.

One of the first comments Jesus makes in the Book of Matthew concerning the Ten Commandments is this;

*Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill:*

### **Matthew 5:17**

*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.”* **Matthew 5:18**

*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 5:19**

## Defining the word “Fulfill”

Taken by its self, this sounds like Jesus has just said that he has come to fulfill the Ten Commandments. The key to understanding this verse then, is that you need to know what the word “***Fulfill***” means. Satan will have you believe that it means to bring to completion to the point of rendering it obsolete, or no longer of importance to those who declare Jesus as their Savior. It is important, in avoiding

Satan's lies, that you do not take verses out of context. Know the full thought or context of what the verse is in relation to, and then you will know the true meaning of the verse.

The word "**Fulfill**" is defined as: to achieve, to accomplish, to realize, to satisfy, to justify, to bring about, to bring to completion.

The word "**Realize**" is further defined as: to understand, to comprehend, to appreciate, to grasp, to recognize.

As you can see, Jesus is telling us that he has come to fulfill the laws and the prophets so that we will understand them, to be able to comprehend what they mean, to appreciate and to grasp their meaning, and to recognize that the Laws of God are a sign of his love for us and by you and I keeping the Laws of God, we in turn show God that we Love him.

## I have "NOT" come to destroy

**Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets:** Jesus is telling us with his own words that he has **not** come to destroy the law or the prophets. Either you believe the words of Jesus as true or you believe Satan's lies.

What does it mean to "**Destroy,**" and how can you destroy laws? An even greater question is how do you destroy the prophets? If you place a ceramic dish on a table and begin pounding on it with a rod, you will succeed in destroying the dish by reducing it into a million shards of dust. But how do you destroy a prophet?

## What is a Prophets of God

This brings us to another question, what is Jesus talking about when he refers to the prophets? What is a prophet that it has the potential of being destroyed? Because Jesus is talking about prophets, we must assume that he is referring to the Prophets of God. In other lessons I have explained what a Prophet of God is, "**One through whom God speaks,**" so; in what way do you destroy or bring to completion the Prophets of God?

The prophets were men that God gave instruction to, who then wrote down that which God instructed them to write down. That which they wrote down is the Books of the Bible. In what way do you destroy a man



who is long dead? I therefore have to assume it is not the men that Jesus is referring to but the work or service that they performed for God.

The Prophets of God wrote the books of the Bible. The Books of the Bible are the Holy Gospel of God, God's Living Word and the Holy Ghost. If Jesus is telling us that he has **“NOT”** come to destroy the Books of the Bible but to bring them to completion, so that we will understand and comprehend, then how does he accomplish this?

The Books that make up the Old Testament are incomplete by themselves. There are many things spoken of in those books that are not fully understood until you read the books of the New Testament and there are things spoken of in the Books of the New Testament that are not fully understood until you refer back to the Books of the Old Testament. Together they form a single whole work, **“*The Word of God.*”**

The Teachings of Jesus and his prophecies are what gave stimulus to the Apostles and Prophets since Jesus to write the Books of the New Testament. It is in the writing of the Books of the New Testament that Jesus has brought the prophets to fulfillment. Jesus has finished that which was incomplete. The Gospel of God and the teachings provided by God's Holy Word were brought to completion (fulfilled) by the writings of the Books of the New Testament. By Jesus bringing the Word of God to completion, we now can better understand and comprehend, all that God is telling us.

## How do you destroy the laws of God?

**Satan will have us believe that what Jesus means above relates to the Fourth Commandment primarily. Satan tells us that the Seventh Day Sabbath has been abolished, and that the Sabbath is to be observed on the First Day of the week, from then on.**

It is to the Fourth Commandment that I will direct my comments in the following discussion. One way to destroy one of the Ten Commandments is to pass a new law that renders the original law obsolete. I have not been able to find anywhere in Bible Scripture where God or Jesus has written any new laws; concerning the Fourth Commandment, just the opposite.

## Jesus Expands upon the meaning

Jesus does give discussion concerning the Commandments of God, and even expands upon their meaning. This is not how you destroy nor rewrite a law, but to make them more understandable. This tells me,

that Jesus is informing us, that the Ten Commandments are incomplete, and that he has come to bring them to completion.

## No Higher Authority

Another way to destroy a law is to have a higher authority determine that the law is obsolete or contrary to the will of that higher authority. Jesus is not a higher authority to God he is God and there is no higher authority than God. The laws of God were written by him, the Father and the Son, so there is no higher authority. Jesus tells us that he has not come to destroy the laws; therefore, this tells me that the laws remain in effect as it is written in the Books of the Bible.

## Satan intends to destroy the Laws of God

There is one who intends on destroying or to rewrite the Laws of God and that is Satan. Satan has no authority to change the Laws of God, but he, being the evil being that he is, has attempted to do so just the same.

**Consider this:** if God hasn't changed any of the laws that he has established, and Jesus the Christ has expanded upon the meaning of those laws as a way of enhancing them, and not to destroy them, then don't you think it wise of you to obey the Word of God, and to look suspiciously at anything that tells you that the Laws of God no longer apply to Christians?

## I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill.

Have you ever given consideration to what Jesus means when he says he is **come to fulfill**? The first thing we must do is define the word fulfill. The word **"Fulfill"** is defined by the Encarta Dictionary as: **to do what is necessary to bring about or achieve something expected, desired, or promised, to complete, or to bring to completion.** There is nothing in any of this definition that suggests that the word fulfill means to render obsolete or to destroy when it is brought to completion.

I can understand how the word fulfill might cause you to think that a law once fulfilled is therefore rendered obsolete or revoked. But what about the prophets, how do you fulfill a prophet or destroy them.

## How Jesus Fulfills the Laws of God

After telling us that he has not come to destroy but to fulfill Jesus gives examples of how he fulfills the Laws of God.

### Jesus Expands, “Honor thy mother and father”

*Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders, for they wash not their hands when they eat bread? But he (Jesus) answered and said unto them, “why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition? For God commanded, saying, “Honour thy father and mother: and, he that curseth father or mother let him die the death.” But ye say, “Whosoever shall say to his father or his mother, ‘It is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; and honour not his father or his mother, he shall be free. Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition. **Matthew 15:2-6***

This discussion by Jesus relates to the 5<sup>th</sup> Commandment of God, Honor your Mother and Father; what Jesus is explaining is the tradition established by the Temple Elders over many generations, that if a Son gave a gift or donation to the Temple rather than using the money in the support of his parents, then it was not a sin, and that the Son would not be in violation of the 5<sup>th</sup> Commandment.

As you can see by Jesus’ comments, he Jesus compares this to taking the Law of God and changing its purpose and meaning, making God’s Law of none effect. To be of “None Effect,” is to be rendered obsolete or destroyed. What Jesus is teaching here is that the Law of God is “NOT” destroyed, but that the tradition of the Temple Elders, is in violation of the Commandments of God.

To me, this means that Jesus is telling these Pharisees, that it is they who are evil and agents of Satan, in that they place the traditions of the Temple above the Word of God. In this discussion, Jesus is showing us that the 5<sup>th</sup> Commandment is still in force, and that it is the traditions and customs established by the Temple Elders that is evil. In this way, Jesus is teaching the Ten Commandments.

### Jesus expands, “Thou Shalt Not Kill”

*Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, “Thou shalt not kill;” and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment: But I say unto you, “That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause*

*shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, "Raca," shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, "Thou fool," shall be in danger of hell fire. **Matthew 5:21-22***

In this Jesus is talking about the **6<sup>th</sup> Commandment, "Thou shalt not kill."** As you can see, Jesus through his teachings has expanded upon the meaning of "Thou shalt not kill," which of course is one of the Ten Commandments. If Jesus teaches us aspects of the Ten Commandments, and not only teaches us but expands upon the meaning, then isn't it correct that we as Saints of God, should live our lives within the framework of his teachings, that being the Ten Commandments?

## What Lesson Taught

In the above verse we must ask, "**What is Jesus teaching us?**" In these verses, I have had trouble in understanding exactly what Jesus is trying to tell me, so in prayer I asked for clarification, this is what God revealed to me.

I am a firm believer in words, and the meaning of those words, and the power given to those words when spoken by God or Christ. Therefore, I have to consider, what it means, by referring to an offense against "**His Brother**". Is Christ referring to one's sibling, "**Brother**"? I am certain you will agree he was not being so restrictive. Is Christ referring to one's blood kin? Though a possibility, I think not. Was Christ referring to all mankind as a whole? I don't think so. Throughout the history of the Jewish people, it is evident, that they always kept themselves apart from those not sharing in their relationship with God. God himself has shown throughout his relationship with his chosen ones that he did not hold his people to reproach when they committed genocide against other nations that they encountered. I refer you to, **Deuteronomy 7:1-6**.

Is Christ therefore referring to others that can be considered brothers in, one's faith? This is what I tend to believe he was referring to. I believe he spells this out in the following.

## Jesus Expands the Meaning

### Other Sheep

*And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd. **John 10:16***

When Jesus was resurrected, the special treatment of the Nation of Israel came to an end. The Covenant God had with the Nation of Israel, states that the Covenant (Contract) will stay in force so long as the people of the Nation of Israel keep the faith, which means keep the Ten Commandments. Christ is the fulfillment of the prophecies leading up to the Messiah, for the Nation of Israel to not accept this, puts them outside the faith as God himself has spelled it out. However, as individuals, the Jewish people can enter into the new Covenant with God; they need only accept Jesus as God in the flesh of a man and accept that Jesus brought to completion the laws and prophets of God.

When Christ is referring to **other sheep**, I interpret that as meaning others of the faith, that are not of the Jews, or those who are not descendants of Jacob, at this point in time; when Jesus is telling us this in **John 10:16**, it would be a reference to the Gentiles, and his desire to bring them into the true faith of God.

The Jews do not accept Jesus as the Messiah, God in the Flesh of a man, but they are of the faith because it is from their relationship with God that Jesus built his church. The only way that a Jew will become one with God and part of the New Covenant however, is if they accept that Jesus is the Messiah.

The Muslims are brothers of the faith, as Mohamed wrote in the Koran, **“Christians and Jews are of the Book.”** There is only one Book that Mohamed could be speaking of, and that is God’s Holy Gospel. I say this because their faith is based on the Old Testaments before the time of Moses. This tells me, the Koran is not a standalone book, but that Mohamed wrote it as a continuation of the books of the Bible, he being a prophet of God. This can be supported in the first few generations after Mohamed, the Muslims lived in peace and harmony with the Jews and Christians alike; it wasn’t until the Roman Catholic Church, during the Christian Crusades, declared war on the Muslims that hatred between the faiths erupted and we know now, what the Church of Rome is, or have you forgotten.

The Book of Revelation tells us that it is only a matter of time before those of the Christians, Muslim and Jewish faiths will be integrated into the one true worship of God; all which is needed is for them to see Jesus as God in the flesh, the Messiah, and to embrace the Ten Commandments of God and the Teachings of Jesus Christ. A huge step I admit, and it will never happen as a religion, but individuals will be shown the light of truth by God. I know this will happen because Jesus tells us it will in his prophecies of the End of Days. It is in this way that Jesus is speaking of **other sheep**.

## How Angry

What kind of anger must you have for another that would cause Jesus to warn us that it could result in Judgment and hell fire, and that Jesus is comparing this anger with that of killing someone?

God-Jesus revealed to me that to feel hatred for another with no logical cause, is an aspect of what he is saying in this lesson. If you hate someone who looks different from you, or talks different from you, or whose customs are different from you, or whose skin is darker or lighter than yours, in short to be a racist, or a bigot, then you are in danger of hells fire, which is what Jesus is warning us about. When someone is a racist, their anger and hatred has no foundation so as to give just cause for their anger. They hate because they hate, with no sense of reason. Therefore Jesus compares this to the killing of someone, because if left to fester and grow, murder is not far behind the hate.

## Satan Want you to Hate

Satan wants that Man hates one another, when we hate each other we are pulled apart and human unity to God is broken. In this way Satan has power and control over Man. To fight against the impulse to be a racist, is to side with the will of God and the Teachings of Jesus.

## Jesus expands, “Adultery”

*Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, “Thou shalt not commit adultery: But I say unto you, “That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.*

### **Matthew 5:27-28**

This is the 7<sup>th</sup> Commandment, “Thou shalt not commit Adultery,” as well as the Tenth Commandment, “Thou shalt not covet.” Once again, Jesus is not just teaching us elements of the Ten Commandments, but he is expanding upon their meaning. What he is telling us here, is that it is not **just** the physical act of committing adultery or fornication that is a sin, but to think about such activities; to **phantasies** about such things is a sin as well.

**Remember:** God gave to man life. In this we are a piece of God; as such he is with us always, whether we rejoice in God’s love, or when we engage in things that put us in opposition to God’s laws. If you take the time to study the wording of the Seventh Commandment, you will discover that all sexual contact other

than between a husband and his wife, are sinful. In short, Sex outside of marriage is repugnant to God and therefore a sin. Let me repeat this, “All sex is sin,” the only time that God allows sex and it is not a sin, is a gift given to a Husband and Wife as a Wedding Gift. A Gift from God, because these two have entered into a Holy Marriage and have made vows of commitment between each other and to all there in witness of the marriage.

## Jesus and Divorce

*It hath been said, “Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement:” But I say unto you, “That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.” **Matthew 5:31-32***

In the above verses Jesus is making it clear, when you get married it is for life. The only reason that Jesus gives where you can divorce your spouse, is if your spouse has committed adultery or fornication first. If there is no fornication and you get a divorce, and then you remarry, you are committing adultery with your new spouse, and you are causing your new spouse to commit adultery because of your own sins.

In these days of loose morals, because of Satan’s influence, you may not consider it bad to have extramarital sex, (to Fornicate), but if you wish to worship God as he commands that he be worshiped, then you must accept that all sex outside the holy bonds of matrimony are a sin, to think otherwise is to be one who accepts Satan’s lies, making you a spawn of Satan, and not a child of God. I’ll say it again, to worship God in any way other than as he commands is to not worship God at all, but an invention of your own, which defaults to a worship of Satan.

## More on Divorce

*And the Pharisees came to him, and asked him, “Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife? Tempting him. **Mark 10:2***

*And he answered and said unto them, “What did Moses command you?” And they said, “Moses suffered to write a bill of divorcement, and to put her away.” **Mark 10:3-4***

*And Jesus answered and said unto them, “For the hardness of your heart he wrote you this precept. But from the beginning of the creation God made them (Man) male and female. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife; and they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.” **Mark 10:5-9***

Most of you reading this may have recognized these words as being spoken at a wedding ceremony. Evidently, Jesus' disciples as well as the Pharisees were not sure what Jesus meant in these words, so he explained what he was attempting to teach them.

*And he saith unto them, whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her. And if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery.*

**Mark 10:11-12**

As you can see, Jesus is teaching about the Seventh Commandment, Thou shalt not commit adultery. He gave us the words from a wedding ceremony to show that marriage is a lifelong commitment, and the consequences for not obeying the Seventh Commandment, and how divorce can lead to sin, even when no apparent sin even by an otherwise innocent new spouse.

## Jesus expands, False Testimony

*Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, "Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths:" But I say unto you, "Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne." Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King. Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black. But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil. **Matthew 5:33-37***

This is the 9<sup>th</sup> Commandment, **"Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor."**

You could also include in with this discussion by Jesus, cuss words or words of derision and slander.

I see this as Jesus telling us to not make promises that we cannot or have no intentions of keeping. What does this mean? Jesus has told us that it **is the words that come out of our mouth that defile us**, not that which we put into our mouth. To forswear yourself is to say a lie, or to blaspheme, or to make a promise, (an oath), that you are unable to fulfill, or have no intentions of fulfilling. When you give testimony against someone, that is false, then you forswear yourself. What Jesus is saying, is for you to make no bold or unfounded statements, but to say yes or no, for anything else leads off the path of righteousness and onto the path to hells fire.

As you can see, Jesus is teaching us the Ten Commandments, he then ties this all in with the second of his two commandments:



## Love Your Enemy

*Ye have heard that it hath been said, "Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you. That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he (God) maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? Do not even the publicans the same? And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? Do not even the publicans so? Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect. **Matthew 5:43-48***

This is Jesus' 2<sup>nd</sup> Commandment. What Jesus is teaching us here goes as follows: To forgive and love others is a very high moral trait. If you only love those who love you, then what is the greatness in it? But if you love those that hate you, and abuse you, and pray to God to help them who abuse you to see his light of truth, then you are up there with God in your perfection of morality.

## God Loves You

When you sin, doesn't God still love you? God loves the mean spirited and the vile, just as he loves the righteous. He loves them because they still have potential of repenting their evil ways, and so long as they have a potential, God is willing to forgive once their potential is realized. All who have sinned will be forgiven by God if they only repent those sins and ask God to forgive them.

What Jesus is teaching us here is that we need to have this capacity to love even those who hate us, if we possess this high moral trait, and then we will be as God, perfect.

## God is a Moral Being

**You see!** All that Jesus has taught us so far have to do with Morality. God is a moral being, and he teaches us his morals in expectation that we, his children, will want to emulate him and be moral ourselves as defined by our creator.

The last six of the Ten Commandments have to do with morality, that Jesus is expanding upon those six with all that we have read thus far, is proof to me that, **Satan Lied when he said,** "The Ten Commandments

were rendered obsolete by Jesus.” If they are obsolete, then why has Jesus made an effort to teach and expand upon their meaning?

As you can see, Jesus is expanding upon the meaning of these five commandments, not destroying them. To expand upon something suggests that they were not complete beforehand, and therefore Jesus has fulfilled these commandments. By completing them, he has made them more understandable to us. It is in this way as well as other of his teachings that Jesus has fulfilled the Law of God. If you still have doubts and think to continue in your life long beliefs founded upon Satan’s lies, then Jesus has one more thing to say about this.

## Till Heaven and Earth Pass

*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. **Matthew 5:18***

This verse continues the thought of what Jesus is talking about in **Matthew 5:17** and as such must be taken into context of the whole thought. Jesus is saying “**NO**”, not any of the Ten Commandments are to be removed or ignored, not until all is fulfilled. It is for this reason we should make sure we know what Jesus is telling us in the above verses.

**Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets:** The first thing you should take note of here is that Jesus says he is not come to destroy. For me this shows the common held believe that Jesus causes that the laws to become obsolete or unnecessary, is shown to be false and Satan’s Lie. If you render something obsolete, it is the same thing as destroying it. In both cases, to destroy is to render it no longer of importance.

This is not what Jesus has done, Jesus is teaching us that the Ten Commandments are still important in any true and correct worship of God.

## Six Moral Imperatives of God

The following are the laws of God, as they relate to the morality of God, which is partly shown in the last six of the Ten Commandments:

Honour thy father and thy mother;

Thou shalt not kill,

Thou shalt not commit adultery,

Thou shalt not steal,  
Thou shalt not bear false witness,  
Thou shalt not covet.

The personality and identity of God is more than these six moral imperatives however, and that which Jesus teaches us, reveals this. Jesus completed the moral list of God's character traits with the following.

## God's Morality Fulfilled

Compassion,  
Pity,  
Forgiveness,  
Generosity,  
Being Just,  
Honesty,  
Being without Deceit,  
Lacking in Lasciviousness (immoral sexual thoughts) behavior, and  
Not given over to Pride or prideful acts.

It is by these teachings that Jesus brought about fulfillment to the laws of God. Knowing this, I have to ask, do we now disregard the laws and the teachings of Jesus, or now that Jesus has given greater meaning and definition as to who God is, should we not want to embrace all that is of God and make the morality of God our morality. Jesus fulfills the laws of God by expanding upon them in meaning and content.

So, the question is, will you continue to accept Satan's lies that the law has been rendered obsolete and disregard the laws of God, or will you embrace God's True Word?

## All or Nothing

*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 5:19***

If the first two verses (**5:17 & 5:18**) left you with any confusion as to whether the law was still in force under the teachings of Jesus, this verse should now make it clear, that the law is still in force. Not only is Jesus,

giving praise and reward to those who keep the law, in **Matthew 5:19**, but he also gives condemnation and penalty for those who do not keep the law.

You see, the commandments of God, “The Ten Commandments,” are in force until **all** is fulfilled. Jesus then goes on to give discussion of the Ten Commandments by expanding upon the meaning of four of the six moral imperatives of God.

## The Two Groups of Laws

Some of the confusion as to the meaning of these verses is caused by the fact that many do not understand that the Laws of God can be broken down into two groups.

The Ten Commandments, which are the laws of God, and written by the finger of God in stone, signifying that they are to last forever, and the laws of Moses, written by the hand of Man, which God refers to as **statutes and ordinances**. This is verified in the following verse.

## Ordinances of Moses

*Neither will I any more remove the foot of Israel from out of the land which I have appointed for your fathers; so that they will take heed to do all that I have commanded them, according to the whole law and the statutes and the ordinances **by the hand of Moses**. II Chronicles 33:8*

As you can see, God is insistent that the **“Whole law”** be upheld, including the **“statutes and ordinances,”** which signifies that the two are separate in consideration, and therefore not equal. The verse then goes on to tell us that those laws that constitute **statutes and ordinances**, were those that were written by the **hand of Moses**. You see, those laws and commandments written by the hand of Man, **“Moses,”** are only statutes and ordinances, thus are only temporary and amendable, as far as God-Jesus is concerned, whereas the Laws of God, written by the finger of God on two tables of stone, are eternal.

## We Must give worship exactly as God Commands

What this means to me is that if you wish to worship God, you must worship him as God Commands, neither adding anything to God’s commands and instructions, nor subtracting anything away. This is given support in the following verses.

*Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish aught from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you. **Deuteronomy 4:2***

God has defined how he wants us to worship him, any amendment to that must come from him not you or I.

**Consider this:** Satan does not want Man to worship God, so what better way to keep you from worshipping God than to lie to you by telling you that the Ten Commandments are no longer of importance and that the Seventh Day Sabbath (it being the Fourth Commandment) has been abolished and the First Day Sabbath put in its place?

## Two Tables of Stone

*And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon Mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God. **Exodus 31:18***

You see, Moses did not write the Ten Commandments, God did, with his finger upon Two Tables of Stone. This all goes to show you when Jesus says he has come to fulfill, he is rendering obsolete some the statutes and ordinances, those written by Moses, specifically, those relating to the sacrifice of animals, but the laws of God, “The Ten Commandments,” are forever until **all** is fulfilled.

## More elements of the Ten Commandments

It appears to me that Jesus has given no comment or expansion of, The Eighth Commandment, (Thou shalt not Steal), nor the Tenth Commandment, (Thou shalt not Covet). I consider this to be so because there is nothing more he could add to either one that would give greater meaning or purpose, than what God has already said about them. There is no reason to bring to completion that which is already complete.

As you can see, Jesus is teaching us the Ten Commandments, he is not just teaching the Ten Commandments, but he has expanded on their meaning, Jesus has brought the Law of God and the Prophets to completion. Now that they are complete should we dispose of them? Are they rendered obsolete? To believe that is to show your foolishness, and your deception. Having brought the Ten Commandments to completion, Jesus then ties this all in with the second of his two commandments:

## Love Your Enemy

*Ye have heard that it hath been said, "Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you.... **Matthew 5:43-44***

I see this as Jesus showing us, that his first Commandment, **"Love God with all your heart soul and mind,"** is defined by the Ten Commandments, by teaching us about them and then following those teachings by a reference to his second commandment, **"In Kind, Love thy neighbor."**

This Jesus ties together again in the following:

## Murder

*Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. **Matthew 19:18-19***

You see, as Jesus gave us his two commandments, the first having to do with loving God with all your mind and soul, and then the second having to do with loving your neighbour, he says the same thing here except this time he gives list to a few of the Ten Commandments, as definition of how to love God, then says love thy neighbour. This he does to show that by keeping the Ten Commandments you fulfill the first of Jesus' Two Commandments, then by loving your neighbour, you fulfill the second of Jesus' Two Commandments.

## Why Destroy what Jesus builds upon?

Most of those who I have spoken to concerning the Bible see the Ten Commandments as a temporary arrangement between God and the Jews, but if that were true then why has Jesus told us that we must keep those commandments as it is so obvious he has done in **Matthew 19:18-19**.

## Are You a Christian?

So I now ask the question once again, can you truly call yourself a Christian if you do not live by the teachings of Jesus Christ? Jesus teaches us the Ten Commandments, as I've shown; therefore if you wish to

call yourself a Christian, it is necessary that you keep the Ten Commandments. True, in the Book of Matthew, Jesus only talks about those Commandments that relate to morality, but as he left out mention of **thou shalt not steal** and **thou shalt not covet**, it does not mean that you are free to ignore them, any more than you should ignore the first four of God's Ten Commandments.

If you are still not convinced by all I have shown you, then what do you think Jesus is telling you when he says, **“not one jot or tittle shall pass”**, this tells me that the Ten Commandments are the Commandments of the New Testament God, “Jesus Christ,” as well as the laws of the Old Testament God, Jehovah. Of course, Christ is God, therefore God is Christ. It was Christ who gave the Ten Commandments to Moses; it was Christ who with his own finger wrote the Ten Commandments down on two tables of stone. It is important that you believe this, for to not believe, causes you to not except Jesus as God in the flesh of a man, which is a prerequisite of being a Christian, as well as giving you the possibility of redemption.

## Good and the Bad

*That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. **Matthew 5:45***

God gives his earthly bounty to the Good and the Bad. This to me verifies my definition of Jesus' two commandments. They lead back to God the father, and his Ten Commandments, a circle of Faith.

## Are You Righteous?

The word **righteousness** as used in the Bible refers to **those who keep and obey the laws of God, the Ten Commandments**. If you do not live in the way of the Lord, then you are not of God, if you are not of God, then you are spawn of Satan.

## God Defines Righteousness

*Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not. **Malachi 3:18***

As you can see, this is a definition of who God considered **“Righteous”** and who God considers **“Wicked.”**

**Remember:** to be in service does not mean to be a slave, but to be a willing helper and assistant.

This then implies that a Servant of God is fully behind and in agreement with the service that he provides for God. Do you accept and agree with the Laws of God, and if so, do you trumpet this to all those that you meet and have conversations with? It is in this way that you give service to God.

## Only the Righteous will enter Heaven

*For I say unto you, "That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven. **Matthew 5:20***

In this verse, Jesus is making it quite clear that if you are not "**Righteous**" then you will not be allowed entry into Heaven. This being the case, let's review what it means to be "**Righteous**" as I have shown it to be defined.

To be Righteous is to keep and obey the Commandments of God,

To be Righteous is to give service to God,

Only the Righteous shall enter Heaven.

Again, I ask you, are you Righteous?

## Honor your mother and father

This lack of righteousness shows through nicely in the following verse:

*But ye say, "If a man shall say to his father or mother, It is Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; he shall be free." **Mark 7:11***

## A Gift (Corban) to God

The word "**Corban**" is defined as: A Hebrew offering to God or an offering made to the Temple of Jerusalem.

*And ye suffer him no more to do aught for his father or his mother; making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye. **Mark 7:12-13***



Knowing as I do that the Elders of the Temple were corrupt and under the influence of Satan, these two definitions, (being Righteous, or giving Corban), are not synonymous, but contrary to each other. If the Ten Commandments say to Honor your Mother and Father, but instead of providing for them if they are impaired due to illness or old age, you give the money to the Temple, then which is the correct thing to do in the eyes of God.

## The Law vs Traditions

**Matthew 7:12-13** is a denunciation by Jesus of the tradition that had evolved within the Jewish faith. That if a man gives as a gift to the temple instead of in support of their father or mother, they are not breaking the Fifth Commandment, Honor thy father and mother, which of course is contrary and in disobedience to the Commandment of God. By giving this gift to the Temple rather than your parents, you are breaking the Fifth Commandment.

**Remember:** the Ten Commandments are the Law of God, and as such are supreme over any laws of Man.

## Man's Invention

A tradition is another form of Man-made law or habit. It is in this way as well as others, that Satan had corrupted the Temple and the Elders as well as many of the priests. They became more interested in the wealth they could extract from the people, rather than their God given purpose of leading the people to the Ways of God.

This discussion is therefore, another discussion of the Ten Commandments that Jesus is teaching us about. In fact, he is not just teaching us this commandment, but he is denouncing the traditions of the Temple elders, and showing them that their traditions are in direct opposition to the Law of God.

Those traditions that made to non-effect the Commandments of God, added to the faith, which causes the faith to change from being the worship of the true God, into a faith of Man's own invention, and not of God's.

## God tells us how to worship him

*Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish aught from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you. **Deuteronomy 4:2***

I see this to mean: You must worship God exactly as he commands, if you change anything that he has commanded, then it is not the God of Creation that you worship, and your worship is in vain. (Do Not put words into the mouth of God.)

## I shall rule over you

*As I live, saith the Lord God, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you. **Ezekiel 20:33***

I translate the above verse to mean, “You will worship me as I command, for if you do not as I command, you do not worship me at all, but an invention of your own, which defaults to the worship of Satan.”

## That which defileth a man

There is another teaching of Jesus, which I feel embraces the importance of keeping the Commandments of God.

*And he said, “That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.” **Mark 7:20***

*For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, and evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: All these evil things come from within, and defile the man. **Mark 7:21-23***

In these verses Jesus is showing us that by ourselves, we are bound to do evil, only by keeping and knowing the Ten Commandments and the Teachings of Jesus, are we able to fight off the evil that is the natural state of Man. Most of those things listed in the above verses are elements of the Ten Commandments. I point this out so you will understand that Jesus is once more teaching the Ten Commandments.

As you can see, Jesus is teaching elements of the Ten Commandments. He not only teaches the Ten Commandments, but he is expanding upon them. How then can someone call themselves a Christian, unless

they live by the teachings of Christ, and Christ taught the Commandments of God, so to be a Saint of God, you must live according to the Commandments of God?

## Saint of God Defined

The definition of who a Saint of God is: Those which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. Do you fit this definition? It being the definition that Jesus gives in **Revelation 12:17**, don't you think it prudent that you do whatever you have to do to bring yourself into compliance to that definition? After all, the alternative to Salvation is Damnation.

## The Will of God

*Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. **Matthew 7:21***

The will of my Father, translates to the keeping of the Laws of God, which of course are the Ten Commandments. Jesus is teaching us, that even though you think you worship God, who is those who say Lord, Lord, are not truly worshiping God unless they keep the Laws of God first. If you do not keep the Ten Commandments then you are not Righteous, if you are not righteous, then you will not enter into Heaven.

## Those that give lip service, not actual service

*Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity. **Matthew 7:22-23***

What Jesus is telling you here is though you call yourself a Christian, and have accomplished many Christian like works, he still will not know you, or acknowledge you? **Why you might ask?** "If I live my life as a Christian, why will he refute me on Judgment Day?"

He has already answered this question, in **Matthew 7:21** above. All that you are and do must be in the will of our Father which is in heaven. This is plain talk that simply means, if you do not worship God as he has

commanded that he be worshiped, then calling yourself a Christian, and professing to be a follower of the teachings of Christ, is not going to get you into heaven.

This is just one more proof that the Ten Commandments are still in force, and if you refute them, then you refute Christ. One of the things that define a Christian since the establishment of the Church of Rome is those who go to church on Sunday. The problem with this is that the Fourth Commandment is explicit that the Sabbath is from dusk or sundown on Friday to sundown on Saturday. That, which today defines you as a Christian, puts you in direct opposition to the Law of God.

## Declaring Jesus Your Savior

**Satan will have you believe, that all you need in order to achieve redemption is to declare your love for Jesus and declare him your savior.**

I have just given you a large amount of biblical evidence that refutes that lie. You have to decide if the evidence I have shown you are enough to convince you that your life of worshiping God has been a lie, and therefore you were not worshiping the God of Creation but the false god, Satan.

I have to say this again, it being so important to being a Saint of God, “The God who gave the Ten Commandments to Moses, was Christ, so why would Christ stop requiring the keeping of the Ten Commandments when he comes to live among us in the flesh of Jesus?”

## To Reclaim the Lost Children

Jesus came to us initially, not to forgive the sins of all mankind, but to reclaim his lost children, the descendants of Jacob. This changed only after those children rejected Jesus, and God took their covenant away from them and gave it to a new nation, a new people. This can be best illustrated in the following verses.

## The Woman of Canaan

*And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil.”* **Matthew 15:22**

*But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, “Send her away; for she crieth after us.”* **Matthew 15:23**

*But he answered and said, "I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel."* **Matthew**

**15:24**

You see, Jesus was sent to reclaim the lost children of Israel, who had gone astray from the true faith, not to forgive the sins of all mankind. Even today, if you are **not** a Saint of God, that keeps the Commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus, you are not saved. The Covenant still requires both parties of the Covenant to give something of value. God gives the promise of life eternal, among other gifts. In return you must worship him as he commands, to fulfill your end of the Covenant. God commands that you have his commandments written upon your heart, thus making his morality your morality, and to worship him as he commands, not by your pleasure but by his.

## God Voids the Second Covenant

In return for God giving his grace to the new nation, which is the Saints of God, they in turn must keep his commandments. It was because the Jews stopped keeping Gods Commandments, that he ended his covenant with them. This can best be revealed in the following:

*Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?* **Matthew 15:3**

*For God commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother: and, He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death.* **Matthew 15:4**

*But ye say, "Whosoever shall say to his father or his mother, It is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me;"* **Matthew 15:5**

*And honour not his father or his mother, he shall be free. Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition.* **Matthew 15:6**

It is because of the greed of the temple elders, which had children giving as a gift to the temple, that which could and should have gone to the welfare of their father and mother, that caused the worship of God to change into a faith of blasphemy. This practice is a direct violation of the Fifth Commandment. Jesus is using this as but one example of the transgressions of the Temple Elders, there are many more which reveals the straying away from the true worship of God, to something else, invented by Satan, and embraced by the temple elders.

Just as the temple elders considered themselves followers of the true faith, they only gave lip service to it, and practiced a religion of their own invention, and not of God. As I have said, the reason the children of Jacob lost their covenant with God, is part and parcel to this discussion. They put their religious traditions before the laws of God. They stopped keeping the laws of God. Do you think God is willing that you as a Christian should not keep his laws? To declare yourself a Christian, and give lip service to Christ, does not make you a Saint of God. This is evidenced in the following verses.

## Lip Service to Jesus

*This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. **Matthew***

**15:8-9**

What this means, is though you call yourself a Christian, and you often refer to Jesus, if you do not keep the Commandments of God, then you are not a Saint of God. So as one who worships a god of his own invention, his prayers will go unheard by the true God, which means you pray in vain.

The one most important thing that those of my generation who call them Christians fail to do is keep the true Sabbath.

## Grace of Jesus

Satan will have you believe, **“Because we live under the grace of Jesus, you no longer need to keep the true Sabbath, and in honour for Jesus’ resurrection on the first day of the week, it is alright that you keep the Sabbath on the first day of the week.”**

God did not resurrect Jesus on the next day following the day he was crucified because that day was the Sabbath, and God wanted to show that God does not make laws for others to keep, but that he keeps those same laws. God is not above his own laws, as an example to Man that we are not above his laws. When you keep the first day as your day of rest, then you are insulting Jesus and God. Jesus was left in death for an extra 24 hours, out of obedience to the Fourth Commandment, for you to keep a different day, is to insult Jesus.

## The False Religion

Satan, by way of his anti-Christ, has established a false religion, what God refers to as the Commandments of Men, or the False Gospel, and a false Sabbath. So successful has Satan been in deceiving Man that the whole world believes there is nothing wrong with keeping the Sunday Sabbath, and that this false religion is the true worship of God.

## God Defines the anti-Christ

*Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. **II Thessalonians 2:4***

This is a reference to the anti-Christ, the False Church, or Satan's Church. This is not something that will happen in the future, in the End of Days, it is happening right now, and has been happening for the last 1800 years. The Bible tells us that the End of Times began when Julius Caesar, through his becoming Dictator for life, established what would become the Roman Empire. This happened sixty or more years before the day that Jesus was nailed to the cross. The following is the scripture that I believe supports this understanding.

## End of Times Begins

*And the king of the south shall be strong, and one of his princes; and he shall be strong above him, and have dominion; his dominion shall be a great dominion. And in the end of years they shall join themselves together; for the king's daughter of the south shall come to the king of the north to make an agreement: but she shall not retain the power of the arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm: but she shall be give up, and they that brought her, and he that begat her, and he that strengthened her in these times. **Daniel 11:5-6***

I am convinced that this is a prophecy of Julius Caesar, Mark Anthony and Cleopatra, and the reference to the end of years is evidence that they were already in the End of Times, and as such it begins even before the birth of Jesus. The only historical event that could be such a momentous event as to warrant God as indicating that they were already in the End of Times was when Julius Caesar ended the Republic of Rome and made it an Empire by forcing the Senate to declare him Dictator for Life. I consider this to be very important and I will show you why in the following.

## The Dragon makes War

*And the dragon was wrath with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. **Revelation 12:17***

You see, the Devil, who is “the dragon,” was “wroth,” which means violently angry with the “woman,” who are the Saints of God, or those who engage in the true worship of God, that he makes war upon the “remnant of her seed,” which Jesus then defines as those that, “keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.”

But as you can see here, that which defines the Saints of God is shown to you in this verse, which is New Testament, given to the Apostle John by Jesus, in a vision. Jesus himself is telling us that to be of the true faith, in the worship of the true God; you must keep the Commandments of God, which is the Ten Commandments, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ, which means to believe Jesus is God in the flesh of a man, as well as embrace his teachings. Both are needed or you are not worshiping God as he commands that he be worshiped.

If anyone has told you anything else, then they are agents of Satan, out to deceive you, and by that deception prevent you from worshiping God, as he commands. The following is another example of Jesus teaching the Ten Commandments. These verses are profound to me, for I have asked this question often in my life, long before God showed me the light of his truth.

## How Do I Earn Eternal Life

*And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life? **Mark 10:17***

*And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? There is none good but one, that is, God.*

**Mark 10:18**

## Jesus' Answer

*Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do Not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother. **Mark 10:19***



*And he answered and said unto him, Master, all these have I observed from my youth. **Mark 10:20***

These verses are profound, because Jesus just told us what we must do to be redeemed, so we can enter Heaven and have life eternal. As you can see, Jesus gives a listing of some of the Ten Commandments in his answer. Jesus has just answered the age old question, **“How can I obtain eternal life?”** His answer is to keep the Ten Commandments. Again I ask, “How can anyone call themselves a Christian, if they do not live by the teachings of Jesus? If Jesus teaches us the Ten Commandments, then to be a Christian, you must keep the Ten Commandments, which is what God has been saying all along.

## Seeing the Lie for the Lie that it is

Satan will have you believe, that **keeping the Ten Commandments is not a requirement of being a Christian**, and as you can see, you have been lied to.

## Love Me, Keep My Commandments

As one that that has come recently to the worship of the God of Creation, I am zealous in my desire to tell everyone I have any contact with what I now know to be true. I have even had thoughts that I would like to see my government changed into one that is in tune with the Laws of God. I am sure that there are those who feel that to be true to the faith requires that we make our government true to the faith as well. Christ addresses this in the following verses.

## Give unto Caesar

*Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's.*

**Matthew 22:21**

To force the religion on others, by getting the civil government to issue laws, is not condoned by Jesus as shown in the above verse. This to me is Christ's indication that he recognized the division of the civil government and that of the faith of God.

In that I am a person who has recently come to the faith of Christ, I would like all to see the light that God has shown me. It is the way of a Saint of God, to want to bring their joy of finding the light of God's truth to others so as many as possible are exposed to it.

## Instructions to the Apostles

**Remember:** when Christ instructed the disciples to go out and preach the word, he explained to them to avoid those places where they are rejected or opposed. He instructed them only to preach to those who responded positively to the words.

*But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man become. **Matthew 10:23***

If Christ instructed his disciples to keep away of those who rejected them, which therefore means, not to try to force their teachings on others, then should we do any different? For us to force our faith on those not wanting to accept it, by having our government pass legislation forcing all its citizens to adhere to them is not as Jesus intends. God the Father will have his revenge upon them when it is God's pleasure to do so. God wants that we all come to him because we choose to because of our acceptance of his truth.

## As Harmless as doves

*Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves. **Matthew 10:16***

Therefore if you are new to the word of God, and the true faith of Jesus, then in your zeal to bring the word of God to others around you, do not try to force your new found understanding upon others, but speak to those who wish to listen, and even then speak as a harmless dove.

If the only way for a religious belief to take hold is for it to force itself on the people, as by having the national government implement laws that support the religion, then what kind of religion is it? Only God has the power to bring his faith to others, by opening their hearts. We the Saints of God are but his vessel which transports his word. Those who are a part of your family unit are your responsibility to educate in the faith. God is a god of love and peace. To spread his word using any method other than love and peace is to corrupt his word.

## **Benjamin Franklin Said**

When religion is good, it will take care of itself. When religion is not able to take care of its self and God does not see fit to take care of it so that it has to appeal to the civil power for its support, it is evidence to my mind that the cause is a bad one.

In other words, if God is not behind the religion that it needs the civil government to enact laws to support it, then the religion is not of God, but of Satan.

## **As Is the Will of God**

In that same light, it is not for a Saint of God, to take up arms, or any other of the instruments of war, to progress your religious believes, God will shine the light of his truth on those that he will, as is his pleasure, nothing we can do that God will not do himself. It is our job as the Saints of God to preach God's True Word, but only to preach. If the people do not listen, then that is between them and God. When Jesus returns, he will take care of all those that are in opposition to him, he will not need our help, in dispensing justice.