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**Does Any Of The Law Of Moses
& Old Covenant Prophecies
Apply In The New Covenant With Christ?
What Does The Word Of God Teach?**

Preface

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As you see by the number of pages this is a lengthy teaching but fear not the number of pages. This is so as God has given more than this teaching may be expanded to reveal what God wants Christians to know. Fear God and finish this study that you may praise God having received knowledge and wisdom from God through Jesus Christ by the Holy Ghost. The word of God says draw nigh to God and God will draw nigh to us. This study being from God will draw you closer to God because the effort was made on your part the reader. Amen.

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Anyone who has read the Holy Bible from cover to cover will realize that Christians have been disagreeing since Paul wrote most of the New Testament. In this day there is still enmity among those who profess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Why are these divisions among Christians prevalent in this day? With these divisions comes conditional love and lack of unity among Christians. Christians only agree to disagree. This is not the Church Jesus Christ is coming for.

As I read the newspaper and read the news on the internet I hear church leaders in this day saying that God will suddenly let the Jews have full rights to the kingdom of God without Jesus Christ. Other Christian groups say we must adhere to certain laws of Moses concerning the festivals in this day based on prophecy from the Old Covenant. Men of God are trying to

interpret the coming of Christ based on Old Covenant prophecies and say thus and thus will occur. Others say we will be doing animal sacrifices again before Christ's coming and during his thousand year reign on earth. Large churches are being split apart concerning homosexuals being approved as priests in the church. Churches fearing man and not God are compromising the word of God to accommodate the evils of the world in the church so they will not be attacked by the secular court's abominations. I have met other Christians who have converted to Messianic Judaism following the doctrines of the Jews. Other Christians argue over which day to worship the Lord. Many Christians say the end will be near when the Jews in the country of Israel begin the animal sacrifices again. Main stream churches deny the Holy Ghost and his gifts working in the church saying the Holy Ghost baptism is not for this day. Almost all Christians deny the offices of the Apostle and the Prophet. Other denominational churches have added to the Holy Bible calling it a different gospel while others have rewritten sections the Holy Bible to satisfy their doctrines concerning Christ.

Why are all of these things mentioned above happening? Why is there not love and unity in the body of Christ being the Church of Jesus Christ? Why have Christians made Christ in their image and worship that image? Why are selected laws of Moses being followed? Why do the nations rage among themselves killing each other? Why does the earth vomit forth death and destruction? Why are our eyes shut and our ears deaf to the truth of God? Why are Christians without knowledge and understanding of God's ways and plans being His truth written and living?

The answers are there for us. The Holy Spirit or Ghost has directed me to give the following teaching that you may receive knowledge and understanding of God's plans. Once you receive that knowledge and wisdom, then as commanded by the Holy Spirit, I will reveal some of the secrets of His covenant that God wants known. The knowledge and wisdom will come from God's word, the Holy Bible, as he has opened my mind to His word. God's revealing of the secrets of His covenant is revelation knowledge so that His children will know the truth. With this truth we all will be without excuse on that day when we stand before God and Christ to be judged. If we have repented and come into the truth, we will be saved. If we believe not the truth, we will be condemned. For God is saying, in this generation My grace and mercy is ending. In judgments those who see and hear and repent will again be covered with My grace and mercy. With this revelation knowledge you will find that there is something worse than being condemned into the lake of fire. I warn you that if you skip over parts of this teaching without studying the complete works in the order it is

presented, you will be deceived.

The answer to the questions above is that Christians do not know Jesus Christ personally and intimately in their personal lives. Christians fear what they see going on in the world having not the peace of Jesus Christ. Instead Christians have not the knowledge and wisdom from Jesus Christ by the word of God knowing not the complete truth of the Holy Bible or of the Kingdom of God. Consequently Christians are in sin **not** doing the will of the Father in their lives but taking the body of Christ unworthily. When I speak of the Holy Bible I am not referring to those bibles that have been changed or added to, but of the Holy Bible that has withstood the centuries and the translations of the King James that have followed. True some of the translations are incorrect and even the King James has its errors but if we have the Holy Ghost as our teacher by having been baptized by the Holy Ghost as commanded by Christ with the sign of speaking in tongues, the Holy Ghost will show us the errors as we leave the principles of the doctrine of Christ to come into the perfection of Christ. ***John 14:26 26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. (KJV) Acts 1:4-5 4 And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. 5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. (KJV) Mark 16:17 17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; (KJV) Hebrews 6:1 1 Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, (KJV)***

An Overview of the Teaching

We will review the doctrine of Christ (being the foundation laid by the apostles and the prophets) from the word of God by asking questions about Christ and answer those questions with the word of God. We are Christ's house (being his body) built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets. And the cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself. We who **believe** are carefully joined together, **becoming a holy temple for the Lord.**

After reviewing the doctrine of Christ, we will look in the Old Testament and ask ourselves questions on how the Law of Moses applies in our lives

with Christ today. We will look at Old Testament prophecies and ask how they apply in the closing of this age and our life with Christ. We will briefly study what Jesus Christ accomplished in his flesh and blood body on earth. I will then share the revelation knowledge the Lord has given me from the book of Revelation. I ask you the reader now, are you ready to leave the principles of the doctrine of Christ coming into the perfection of Christ? Are you ready to be washed in the word of God? (I know what some are thinking, I have read the bible many times, but don't let yourself be deceived by those thoughts.) Are you ready to become an **F₁they¹** and a **heoieta²** for Christ? If you are, then continue and finish this study. I present the order of this study as the Holy Spirit has instructed so that you may understand the mysteries of the word of God that have been hidden and is now being revealed in these last days. You will no longer be deceived but can make yourself ready and be the Church Jesus Christ will be coming for.

The Teaching

1. Who is Christ?

Hebrews 1:1-3 *1 Long ago God spoke many times and in many ways to our ancestors through the prophets. 2 But now in these final days, he has spoken to us through his Son. God promised everything to the Son as an inheritance, and through the Son he made the universe and everything in it. 3 The Son reflects God's own glory, and everything about him represents God exactly. He sustains the universe by the mighty power of his command. After he died to cleanse us from the stain of sin, he sat down in the place of honor at the right hand of the majestic God of heaven. (NLT) Also see John 1:1-18, John 14:6.*

¹ **09-17-02.** as I was seeking the Lord in the spirit, I saw this word in the spiritual realm, **F₁they**. The Holy Spirit pronounced it ef²-lay. The Holy Spirit gave this definition—one who is seeking more of God's truths and when he hears and finds the truth, he accepts it, letting the truth cover past traditions and doctrines.

² **01-05-02. Heoieta** is (he'oi et'a). is a messenger and a doer of the message. **Heoieta** also is to go forth as a bold leader to lead the children of the Lord into maturity of the spirit that they may receive the mark of the Lord that will be seen by all in the spiritual realm. Angels will cheer and demons will fear for they know their time is about up. After I recorded the above the Holy Spirit spoke this to me. This is a heavenly language word. It gives me great pleasure to share it will you. It is most Holy. This is the first time this word has been spoken on the earth. Share the word with others and I will be giving you more words in the future.

2. How was the message that Jesus Christ spoke verified by the apostles?

Hebrews 2:1-4 **1** *So we must listen very carefully to the truth we have heard, or we may drift away from it.* **2** *The message God delivered through angels has always proved true, and the people were punished for every violation of the law and every act of disobedience.* **3** *What makes us think that we can escape if we are indifferent to this great salvation that was announced by the Lord Jesus himself? It was passed on to us by those who heard him speak,* **4** *and **God verified the message by signs and wonders and various miracles and by giving gifts of the Holy Spirit whenever he chose to do so.*** (NLT)

See **1 Corinthians 12:1-11** for the gifts of the Holy Spirit, obey the command of Jesus Christ in **Acts 1:8**, and study **Acts 19:2-7** of what the evidence will be when the Holy Spirit comes upon you.

3. What was the law of the old covenant?

Hebrews 10:1-2 **1** *The old system in the law of Moses was only a shadow of the things to come, not the reality of the good things Christ has done for us. The sacrifices under the old system were repeated again and again, year after year, but they were never able to provide perfect cleansing for those who came to worship.* **2** *If they could have provided perfect cleansing, the sacrifices would have stopped, for the worshipers would have been purified once for all time, and their feelings of guilt would have disappeared.* (NLT)

4. Why was the law ineffective for Israel?

Hebrews 10:3-18 **3** *But just the opposite happened. Those yearly sacrifices reminded them of their sins year after year.* **4** *For it is not possible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.* **5** *That is why Christ, when he came into the world, said, "You did not want animal sacrifices and grain offerings. But you have given me a body so that I may obey you.* **6** *No, you were not pleased with animals burned on the altar or with other offerings for sin.* **7** *Then I said, 'Look, I have come to do your will, O God--just as it is written about me in the Scriptures. "'* **8** *Christ said, "You did not want animal sacrifices or grain offerings or animals burned on the altar or other offerings for sin, nor were you pleased with them" (though they are required by the law of Moses).* **9** *Then he added, "Look, I have come to do your will." **He cancels the first covenant in order to establish the second.*** **10** *And what God wants is for us to be made holy by the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all time.* **11** *Under the old covenant, the priest stands before the altar day after day, offering sacrifices that can never take*

away sins. **12** But our High Priest offered himself to God as one sacrifice for sins, good for all time. Then he sat down at the place of highest honor at God's right hand. **13** There he waits until his enemies are humbled as a footstool under his feet. **14** For by that one offering he perfected forever all those whom he is making holy. **15** And the Holy Spirit also testifies that this is so. First he says, **16** "This is the new covenant I will make with my people on that day, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts so they will understand them, and I will write them on their minds so they will obey them." **17** Then he adds, "I will never again remember their sins and lawless deeds." **18** Now when sins have been forgiven, there is no need to offer any more sacrifices. (NLT)

Under the law there was only atonement of sin and John the Baptist baptized for the repentance of sin. Only through Jesus Christ who is the straight or narrow gate are our sins forgiven by the remission of our sins.

5. Who did the old covenant scriptures point to?

Luke 24:44-46 **44** Then he said, "When I was with you before, I told you that everything written about me by Moses and the prophets and in the Psalms must all come true." **45** Then he opened their minds to understand these many Scriptures. **46** And he said, "Yes, it was written long ago that the Messiah must suffer and die and rise again from the dead on the third day. (NLT)

As we walk with the Lord in this day doing his will and obeying his commands, he will open our minds to the secrets and mysteries of his word and his covenant.

John 5:39-47 **39** "You search the Scriptures because you believe they give you eternal life. But the Scriptures point to me! **40** Yet you refuse to come to me so that I can give you this eternal life. **41** "Your approval or disapproval means nothing to me, **42** because I know you don't have God's love within you. **43** For I have come to you representing my Father, and you refuse to welcome me, even though you readily accept others who represent only themselves. **44** No wonder you can't believe! For you gladly honor each other, but you don't care about the honor that comes from God alone. **45** "Yet it is not I who will accuse you of this before the Father. Moses will accuse you! Yes, Moses, on whom you set your hopes. **46** But if you had believed Moses, you would have believed me because he wrote about me. **47** And since you don't believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?" (NLT)

Peter preached to the Jews in the Temple about Jesus Christ.

Acts 3:18-26 **18** *But God was fulfilling what all the prophets had declared about the Messiah beforehand--that he must suffer all these things.* **19** *Now turn from your sins and turn to God, so you can be cleansed of your sins.* **20** *Then wonderful times of refreshment will come from the presence of the Lord, and he will send Jesus your Messiah to you again.* **21** *For he must remain in heaven until the time for the final restoration of all things, as God promised long ago through his prophets.* **22** *Moses said, 'The Lord your God will raise up a Prophet like me from among your own people. Listen carefully to everything he tells you.'* **23** *Then Moses said, 'Anyone who will not listen to that Prophet will be cut off from God's people and utterly destroyed.'* **24** *"Starting with Samuel, every prophet spoke about what is happening today.* **25** *You are the children of those prophets, and you are included in the covenant God promised to your ancestors. For God said to Abraham, 'Through your descendants all the families on earth will be blessed.'* **26** *When God raised up his servant, he sent him first to you people of Israel, to bless you by turning each of you back from your sinful ways."* (NLT)

6. Why was the 1st covenant canceled?

Hebrews 8:7-8 **7** *If the first covenant had been faultless, there would have been no need for a second covenant to replace it.* **8** *But God himself found fault with the old one when he said: "The day will come, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and Judah.* (NLT)

Hebrews 9:8-10 **8** *By these regulations the Holy Spirit revealed that the Most Holy Place was not open to the people as long as the first room and the entire system it represents were still in use.* **9** *This is an illustration pointing to the present time. For the gifts and sacrifices that the priests offer are not able to cleanse the consciences of the people who bring them.* **10** *For that old system deals only with food and drink and ritual washing--external regulations that are in effect only until their limitations can be corrected.* (NLT)

2 Corinthians 3:9-14 **9** *If the old covenant, which brings condemnation, was glorious, how much more glorious is the new covenant, which makes us right with God!* **10** *In fact, that first glory was not glorious at all compared with the overwhelming glory of the new covenant.* **11** *So if the old covenant, which has been set aside, was full of glory, then the new covenant, which*

remains forever, has far greater glory. **12** Since this new covenant gives us such confidence, we can be very bold. **13** We are not like Moses, who put a veil over his face so the people of Israel would not see the glory fading away. **14** But the people's minds were hardened, and even to this day whenever the old covenant is being read, a veil covers their minds so they cannot understand the truth. **And this veil can be removed only by believing in Christ.** (NLT)

7. How was the 1st covenant canceled?

Hebrews 9:24-28 **24** For Christ has entered into heaven itself to appear now before God as our Advocate. He did not go into the earthly place of worship, for that was merely a copy of the real Temple in heaven. **25** Nor did he enter heaven to offer himself again and again, like the earthly high priest who enters the Most Holy Place year after year to offer the blood of an animal. **26** If that had been necessary, he would have had to die again and again, ever since the world began. But no! He came once for all time, at the end of the age, to remove the power of sin forever by his sacrificial death for us. **27** And just as it is destined that each person dies only once and after that comes judgment, **28** so also **Christ died only once as a sacrifice to take away the sins of many people. He will come again but not to deal with our sins again. This time he will bring salvation to all those who are eagerly waiting for him.** (NLT)

8. Is the 1st covenant obsolete?

Hebrews 8:13 **13** When God speaks of a new covenant, it means he has made the first one obsolete. It is now out of date and ready to be put aside. (NLT)

Romans 10:4 **4** For Christ has accomplished the whole purpose of the law. All who believe in him are made right with God. (NLT)

Ephesians 2:15-18 **15** By his death he ended the whole system of Jewish law that excluded the Gentiles. His purpose was to make peace between Jews and Gentiles by creating in himself one new person from the two groups. **16** Together as one body, Christ reconciled both groups to God by means of his death, and our hostility toward each other was put to death. **17** He has brought this Good News of peace to you Gentiles who were far away from him, and to us Jews who were near. **18** Now all of us, **both Jews and Gentiles, may come to the Father through the same Holy Spirit because of what Christ has done for us.** (NLT)

In John 3:3 Jesus tells us that we must be born again to see the kingdom of God. In John 3:5 Jesus also tells us we must be born of water and spirit to enter into the kingdom of God. Jesus Christ commands us to be water baptized and receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit after confessing Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior.

9. Is the new covenant everlasting?

Hebrews 13:20-21 *20 Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, **through the blood of the everlasting covenant,** 21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (KJV)*

Jesus said in *Matthew 7:21* “**Not every one 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.**” Without obeying the commands of Christ, we can never do the will of the Father because we sin against God and Christ.

10. Who guarantees the new covenant?

Hebrews 7:22 *22 Because of God's oath, it is Jesus who guarantees the effectiveness of this better covenant. (NLT)*

Hebrews 8:6 *6 But our High Priest has been given a ministry that is far superior to the ministry of those who serve under the old laws, for he is the one who guarantees for us a better covenant with God, based on better promises. (NLT)*

Hebrews 10:9-10 *9 Then he added, "Look, I have come to do your will." He cancels the first covenant in order to establish the second. 10 And what God wants is for us to be made holy by the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all time. (NLT)*

11. Are we truly free from the law of the old covenant?

Galatians 4:12 *12 Dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to live as I do in freedom from these things, for I have become like you Gentiles were--free from the law. You did not mistreat me when I first preached to you. (NLT)*

Galatians 5:1 *1 So Christ has really set us free. Now make sure that you stay free, and don't get tied up again in slavery to the law. (NLT)*

12. Who is the minister of the new covenant?

2 Corinthians 3:6 **6** *Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life. (KJV)*

All Christians are to be ministers of the new covenant because we all are part of the body of Christ. Are we all to be doing the same type of ministering? Of course not. By finding the will of the Father as we obey the commands of Christ, we will be directed to do what God has called us to do.

13. How was the new covenant sealed?

Matthew 26:28 **28** *for this is my blood, which seals the covenant between God and his people. It is poured out to forgive the sins of many. (NLT)*

Mark 14:24 **24** *And he said to them, "This is my blood, poured out for many, sealing the covenant between God and his people. (NLT)*

Luke 22:20 **20** *After supper he took another cup of wine and said, "This wine is the token of God's new covenant to save you--an agreement sealed with the blood I will pour out for you. (NLT)*

1 Corinthians 11:25 **25** *In the same way, he took the cup of wine after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant between God and you, sealed by the shedding of my blood. Do this in remembrance of me as often as you drink it." (NLT)*

14. Why did Jesus Christ come as flesh and blood?

Hebrews 2:14-18 **14** *Because God's children are human beings--made of flesh and blood--Jesus also became flesh and blood by being born in human form. For only as a human being could he die, and only by dying could he break the power of the Devil, who had the power of death. **15** Only in this way could he deliver those who have lived all their lives as slaves to the fear of dying. **16** We all know that Jesus came to help the descendants of Abraham, not to help the angels. **17** Therefore, it was necessary for Jesus to be in every respect like us, his brothers and sisters, so that he could be our merciful and faithful High Priest before God. He then could offer a sacrifice that would take away the sins of the people. **18** Since he himself has gone through suffering and temptation, he is able to help us when we are being tempted. (NLT)*

Matthew 5:17-18 **17** *"Don't misunderstand why I have come. I did not come to abolish the law of Moses or the writings of the prophets. No, I came to fulfill them. **18** I assure you, until heaven and earth disappear,*

even the smallest detail of God's law will remain until its purpose is achieved. (NLT)

15. What happens when we disobey Jesus Christ?

Hebrews 3:14-19 **14** *For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end; 15 While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation. 16 For some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses. 17 But with whom was he grieved forty years? was it not with them that had sinned, whose carcasses fell in the wilderness? 18 And to whom swore he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not? 19 So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.* (KJV)

16. What is unbelief? What happens to those unbelief?

Hebrews 4:6 **6** *So God's rest is there for people to enter. But those who formerly heard the Good News failed to enter because they disobeyed God.* (NLT)

If we disobey the commands of Jesus Christ, then we don't believe God's word about our day of rest then we rebel against Christ and his promise of salvation by picking and choosing from the Word of God to satisfy the flesh. That is unbelief. Then we are following the example of Israel when they believed the evil report that the scouts gave about the promises land. They were in unbelief and angered God and died in the wilderness. Reread the answer to question 15.

17. Why must we listen too and obey Jesus Christ?

Hebrews 12:14-17 **14** *Try to live in peace with everyone, and seek to live a clean and holy life, for **those who are not holy will not see the Lord.** 15 Look after each other so that none of you will miss out on the special favor of God. Watch out that no bitter root of unbelief rises up among you, for whenever it springs up, many are corrupted by its poison. 16 Make sure that no one is immoral or godless like Esau. He traded his birthright as the oldest son for a single meal. 17 And afterward, when he wanted his father's blessing, he was rejected. It was too late for repentance, even though he wept bitter tears.* (NLT)

If we Christians today refuse to listen and obey Jesus Christ, then if we die or Jesus comes before we die, it will be too late for repentance and eternal salvation.

18. How do we come into maturity in Christ having spiritual grow?

Hebrews 5:11-14 **11** *Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing. 12 For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. 13 For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. 14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil. (KJV)*

Hebrews 6:1-3 **1** *Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, 2 Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment. 3 And this will we do, if God permit. (KJV)*

Until we obey the doctrine of Christ, we will never be able to leave the principles of the doctrine of Christ going unto perfection. There are seven basic steps as taught by the Holy Spirit. These steps will allow Christians to begin to come into the perfection of Christ. These seven steps are part of the doctrine of Christ. By doing the seven steps we will get wisdom and knowledge of repentance from dead works, faith toward God, the doctrine of baptisms (water & spirit), the laying on of hands, the gifts of the Spirit, the government of the Church that Christ gives, understanding prophecy given under the old covenant, resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment from the book of Revelation and much more as the Holy Spirit teaches us from the word of God and revelation from God. It takes work on the part of a Christian to come into the perfection of Christ. Those coming through the straight gate and sitting on the narrow path claiming eternal salvation for many years, I fear for those Christians.

1. Must be born again John 3:3.
2. Must be born of water with earthly witnesses John 3:5.
3. Must be born of the spirit with heavenly witnesses speaking in new tongues. John 3:5 & Acts 19:2-7.
4. Must put off the old man of flesh and put on the new man of the spirit in the image of Christ Ephesians 4:22-24, 2 Corinthians 5:17 & Romans 6:6-8.
5. Must be washed in the word of God to know the doctrine of Christ Ephesians 5:25-27.
6. Must spend time in your prayer closet to draw near to God to know God Matthew 6:5-7.

7. Must partake of communion by the breaking of bread and drinking of the wine daily in remembrance of the death of Jesus Christ until he comes again Acts 2:46-47 & 1 Corinthians 11:23-26.

We must heed the warning Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 11:27-32 of taking the bread and drinking of the cup unworthily. They were guilty of sinning against the body of Christ and many were weak, sick and some have died. Christ changes not and if we sin these same things can happen to us as God disciplines us because he loves us.

19. What is faith and why do we need faith?

Hebrews 11:3 *3 By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen. (NLT)*

Hebrews 11:6 *6 So, you see, it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that there is a God and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him. (NLT)*

James wrote that if we draw near to God he will draw near to us. But there was a condition, if God is to draw near to us, and that is to cleanse your hands ye sinners and purify your hearts ye double minded. If we are sinning against God by not obeying the word of God, how can God draw near to us? Sin separates us from God. See James 4:8.

Galatians 3:24-26 *24 Let me put it another way. The law was our guardian and teacher to lead us until Christ came. So now, through faith in Christ, we are made right with God. 25 But now that faith in Christ has come, we no longer need the law as our guardian. 26 So you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. (NLT)*

20. Who is the author and finisher of our faith?

Hebrews 12:1-2 *1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, 2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. (KJV)*

21. What is God's proof that he loves us?

Hebrews 12:6-8 *6 For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. 7 If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth*

not? **8** But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. (KJV)

Proverbs 6:23 23 For these commands and this teaching are a lamp to light the way ahead of you. The correction of discipline is the way to life. (NLT)

22. How did the old rules apply to the worship of God?

Hebrews 9:6-10 6 When these things were all in place, the priests went in and out of the first room regularly as they performed their religious duties. **7** But only the high priest goes into the Most Holy Place, and only once a year, and always with blood, which he offers to God to cover his own sins and the sins the people have committed in ignorance. **8** **By these regulations the Holy Spirit revealed that the Most Holy Place was not open to the people as long as the first room and the entire system it represents were still in use.** **9** This is an illustration pointing to the present time. For the gifts and sacrifices that the priests offer are not able to cleanse the consciences of the people who bring them. **10** For that old system deals only with food and drink and ritual washing--external regulations that are in effect only until their limitations can be corrected. (NLT)

23. How did Christ eliminate the old order of worship?

Hebrews 9:11-15 11 So Christ has now become the High Priest over all the good things that have come. He has entered that great, perfect sanctuary in heaven, not made by human hands and not part of this created world. **12** Once for all time he took blood into that Most Holy Place, but not the blood of goats and calves. He took his own blood, and with it he secured our salvation forever. **13** Under the old system, the blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a young cow could cleanse people's bodies from ritual defilement. **14** Just think how much more the blood of Christ will purify our hearts from deeds that lead to death so that we can worship the living God. For by the power of the eternal Spirit, Christ offered himself to God as a perfect sacrifice for our sins. **15** **That is why he is the one who mediates the new covenant between God and people, so that all who are invited can receive the eternal inheritance God has promised them. For Christ died to set them free from the penalty of the sins they had committed under that first covenant.** (NLT)

24. What happens if we try to keep the law of the old covenant?

Galatians 5:4 *4 For if you are trying to make yourselves right with God by keeping the law, you have been cut off from Christ! You have fallen away from God's grace. (NLT)*

If we try to keep then law, then we sin against God being like the Jews who refused Jesus Christ keeping the law of Moses.

Hebrews 10:26-31 *26 Dear friends, if we deliberately continue sinning after we have received a full knowledge of the truth, there is no other sacrifice that will cover these sins. 27 There will be nothing to look forward to but the terrible expectation of God's judgment and the raging fire that will consume his enemies. 28 Anyone who refused to obey the law of Moses was put to death without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. 29 Think how much more terrible the punishment will be for those who have trampled on the Son of God and have treated the blood of the covenant as if it were common and unholy. Such people have insulted and **enraged the Holy Spirit who brings God's mercy to his people.** 30 For we know the one who said, "I will take vengeance. I will repay those who deserve it." He also said, "The Lord will judge his own people." 31 It is a terrible thing to fall into the hands of the living God. (NLT)*

Galatians 2:21 *21 I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain. (KJV)*

25. Does Christ ever change his mind?

Hebrews 13:8 *8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. (NLT)*

26. Who are we in Christ?

Galatians 3:26-29 *26 So you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. 27 And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have been made like him. 28 There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male or female. For you are all Christians--you are one in Christ Jesus. 29 **And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and now all the promises God gave to him belong to you.** (NLT)*

Romans 6:4-11 *4 For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives. 5 Since we have been united with him in his death, we will also be raised as he was. 6 Our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ so that sin might lose its power in our lives. We*

are no longer slaves to sin. **7** For when we died with Christ we were set free from the power of sin. **8** And since we died with Christ, we know we will also share his new life. **9** We are sure of this because Christ rose from the dead, and he will never die again. Death no longer has any power over him. **10** He died once to defeat sin, and now he lives for the glory of God. **11** **So you should consider yourselves dead to sin and able to live for the glory of God through Christ Jesus.** (NLT)

Corinthians 3:8-17 **8** But now is the time to get rid of anger, rage, malicious behavior, slander, and dirty language. **9** Don't lie to each other, for you have stripped off your old evil nature and all its wicked deeds. **10** **In its place you have clothed yourselves with a brand-new nature that is continually being renewed as you learn more and more about Christ, who created this new nature within you.** **11** In this new life, it doesn't matter if you are a Jew or a Gentile, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbaric, uncivilized, slave, or free. Christ is all that matters, and he lives in all of us. **12** Since God chose you to be the holy people whom he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. **13** You must make allowance for each other's faults and forgive the person who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. **14** And the most important piece of clothing you must wear is love. Love is what binds us all together in perfect harmony. **15** And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are all called to live in peace. And always be thankful. **16** **Let the words of Christ, in all their richness, live in your hearts and make you wise. Use his words to teach and counsel each other. Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts.** **17** And whatever you do or say, let it be as a representative of the Lord Jesus, all the while giving thanks through him to God the Father. (NLT)

Without being born of the Spirit, without being born of water, without being washed in the word of God, without seeking God in our prayer closet and without communion with Christ how can we let the words of Christ live in our hearts and how can we teach and counsel other brothers and sisters in Christ by Holy Ghost power of the nine gifts of the Spirit?

27. We who are in Christ, are we bound by the law of the old covenant?

Romans 7:4-6 **4** So this is the point: The law no longer holds you in its power, because you died to its power when you died with Christ on the cross. And now you are united with the one who was raised from the dead. As a result, you can produce good fruit, that is, good deeds for God. **5** When we

*were controlled by our old nature, sinful desires were at work within us, and the law aroused these evil desires that produced sinful deeds, resulting in death. **6 But now we have been released from the law, for we died with Christ, and we are no longer captive to its power. Now we can really serve God, not in the old way by obeying the letter of the law, but in the new way, by the Spirit.** (NLT)*

The end of questions

Being a new Christian of not many years my flesh man and my spirit man conflicted between the letter of the law and the spirit of the law of Christ. As the Lord allowed me to travel and attend various meetings after moving to Arkansas, we met many Christians who said we must do certain things of the law. There were many opinions on the Sabbath day. Praise the Lord, for by the Holy Ghost my mind was opened to receive understanding of the truth as I was reading Hebrews chapter 8. On that day my spirit man knew that letter of the law was canceled by Jesus Christ. These are the verses in Hebrews chapter 8. **7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second. 8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: 9 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord. 10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people: 11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest. 12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more. 13 In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.** (KJV)

This new covenant completely canceled the old covenant by the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. So a new covenant was made with the house of Jacob also called Israel which included the 12 tribes of Israel and the adopted sons of Joseph. Who and where is the house of Jacob called Israel located today? Are we who have confessed Jesus Christ being born of water and Spirit part of the house of Israel? For the answer to who and where

please go to my website www.holyspiritguidedministry.com. Click on warnings and teachings, click on "A Christian Soldier's Training Manual, click on number 21 title "Who Is The Remnant In Christ. In the month of May 2003 the Lord by the Holy Spirit taught me the answer by dreams and teachings.

Yes, we are part of the house of Israel because we are adopted in as written in the word of God. The house of Israel includes all who have confessed Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior being the direct descendants of Jacob and by adoption. We are one in Christ being neither Jew nor Gentile. Let no man deceive you with his vain words from his flesh man about doing anything pertaining to the law of Moses under the old covenant.

Romans 11:17-36 *17 But some of these branches from Abraham's tree, some of the Jews, have been broken off. And you Gentiles, who were branches from a wild olive tree, were grafted in. So now you also receive the blessing God has promised Abraham and his children, sharing in God's rich nourishment of his special olive tree. 18 But you must be careful not to brag about being grafted in to replace the branches that were broken off. Remember, you are just a branch, not the root. 19 "Well," you may say, "those branches were broken off to make room for me." 20 Yes, but remember--those branches, the Jews, were broken off because they didn't believe God, and you are there because you do believe. Don't think highly of yourself, but fear what could happen. 21 For if God did not spare the branches he put there in the first place, he won't spare you either. 22 Notice how God is both kind and severe. He is severe to those who disobeyed, but kind to you as you continue to trust in his kindness. But if you stop trusting, you also will be cut off. 23 And if the Jews turn from their unbelief, God will graft them back into the tree again. He has the power to do it. 24 For if God was willing to take you who were, by nature, branches from a wild olive tree and graft you into his own good tree--a very unusual thing to do--he will be far more eager to graft the Jews back into the tree where they belong. 25 I want you to understand this mystery, dear brothers and sisters, so that you will not feel proud and start bragging. Some of the Jews have hard hearts, but this will last only until the complete number of Gentiles comes to Christ. 26 And so all Israel will be saved. Do you remember what the prophets said about this? "A Deliverer will come from Jerusalem, and he will turn Israel from all ungodliness. 27 And then I will keep my covenant with them and take away their sins." 28 Many of the Jews are now enemies of the Good News. But this has been to your benefit, for God has given his gifts to you Gentiles. Yet the Jews are still his chosen*

people because of his promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. **29 For God's gifts and his call can never be withdrawn.** **30** Once, you Gentiles were rebels against God, but when the Jews refused his mercy, God was merciful to you instead. **31** And now, in the same way, the Jews are the rebels, and God's mercy has come to you. But someday they, too, will share in God's mercy. **32** For God has imprisoned all people in their own disobedience so he could have mercy on everyone. **33** Oh, what a wonderful God we have! How great are his riches and wisdom and knowledge! **How impossible it is for us to understand his decisions and his methods!** **34** For who can know what the Lord is thinking? Who knows enough to be his counselor? **35** And who could ever give him so much that he would have to pay it back? **36 For everything comes from him; everything exists by his power and is intended for his glory.** To him be glory evermore. Amen. (NLT)

Galatians 3:26-29 **26** So you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. **27** And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have been made like him. **28** There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male or female. For you are all Christians--you are one in Christ Jesus. **29** And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and now all the promises God gave to him belong to you. (NLT)

Remember by Jesus Christ the new covenant was established. No Jew, or other Israelite or Gentile can be saved from eternal damnation but by confessing Jesus Christ. This is the new covenant regulation of salvation. See 2 Corinthians 3:14 and John 14:6 for proof.

I will remind you of three other scriptures that we must know and understand before we examine some old covenant laws showing why these laws cannot apply for Christians today.

1. **John 4:21-24** **21** Jesus replied, "**Believe me, the time is coming when it will no longer matter whether you worship the Father here or in Jerusalem.** **22** You Samaritans know so little about the one you worship, while we Jews know all about him, for salvation comes through the Jews. **23 But the time is coming and is already here** when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. **The Father is looking for anyone who will worship him that way.** **24** For God is Spirit, so those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth." (NLT) Jesus shows us in this scripture that it matters not in our day where we worship the Father. Jesus was showing us that Jerusalem was not going to be the center of the worshipping of God as it was by the law of Moses in earthly worship. Jesus

said it is already here and that we must worship the Father in spirit and truth. When Jesus arose from the dead and ascended to the Father, it is a Christian's body that became the temple where God resides and not at Jerusalem.

2. **1 Corinthians 3:16-17** **16** *Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? 17 If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.* (KJV)

3. **1 Corinthians 6:19-20** **19** *What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.* (KJV) How many times in the old covenant did God destroy Jerusalem because of the sins of the Israelites? God destroyed Jerusalem and the temple in 70 AD because of the sins of the Jews in denying Christ. If we take of the body of Christ unworthily our temple will be destroyed. How does God destroy our temple? Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 11 that is why many are weak, sick and dying because they were taking the body of Christ unworthily. We must examine ourselves daily and repent or we will be judged with the world.

As we open our bibles to the Old Covenant let us look at a scripture or scriptures about the law and how long it was supposed to last. King James states in the old covenant that these laws were to be for ever. In doing a word search I used the New Living Translation which used the words, permanent law instead of for ever, to find where the law was stated to be for ever. Here is a listing of the scriptures--Exodus 27:21 - 28:43 - 30:21. Leviticus 3:17 - 10:19 - 16:29 - 31:34 - 17:7 - 23:14, 21, 31, 41 - 24:31 Numbers 10:8 - 15:15 - 18:23 - 19:10, 21 Ezekiel 46:14.

Let us look at **Leviticus 23:41** **41** *You must observe this seven-day festival to the LORD every year. This is a permanent law for you, and it must be kept by all future generations.* (NLT) This scripture was referring to the feast of the tabernacles that must be kept for seven days each year. To keep this law the Israelites had present the Lord each day whole burnt and grain offerings by fire. This example of this permanent law that was to be kept forever by all future generations was canceled by Jesus Christ. The old covenant was set aside and by the blood of Jesus Christ a new and better covenant was presented. The law of Moses was canceled that was to be for ever by Jesus Christ. If any Christian attempts to follow any law of Moses of any small part we cut ourselves off from Christ falling away from God's

grace. We are to live by the Spirit through faith to receive the promises of God if we are to be right with God. If we take the body of Christ (this example being the word of God) unworthily by disobeying the commands of Christ, we sin. Sin separates us from God and eternal life with Jesus Christ. The law of the old covenant has been replaced. Don't be deceived when someone says we must observe this day as the Sabbath day, or don't eat this food or make an oath before God. Be washed in the word of God knowing the truth and be set free from those who would lead you into sin by doing the law.

This next study section I will present as the Lord presented the answer to me. This whole study is a result of a question Margaret, my wife, asked me about in Zechariah and how it applies to Christians in the new covenant. The Lord could have shorted my receiving knowledge and wisdom by leaving out the revelation teaching from the Holy Spirit and going directly to his written word to show me the truth that God wants revealed in this day. These scriptures have always been there for us to read, but until the Holy Spirit opens our minds to that truth we are blind. I myself have always had problems on understanding old covenant prophecies beginning with Samuel about the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for his Church without spot or wrinkle. Zechariah chapter 14 listed below becomes complicated and confusing unless we know in the word of God that Jesus Christ cancels the old covenant. But yet here is Zechariah prophesying the Lord's return and how it will be. All of the prophecy descriptions are based on old covenant law and the locations of Judah, Jerusalem and all the lands about. It is about animals and utensils to use for sacrifices. Please read Zechariah chapter 14 to understand what I have said.

Zechariah 14

The LORD Will Rule the Earth

1 Watch, for the day of the LORD is coming when your possessions will be plundered right in front of you! 2 On that day I will gather all the nations to fight against Jerusalem. The city will be taken, the houses plundered, and the women raped. Half the population will be taken away into captivity, and half will be left among the ruins of the city. 3 Then the LORD will go out to fight against those nations, as he has fought in times past. 4 On that day his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives will split apart, making a wide valley running from east to west, for half the mountain will move toward the north and half toward

the south. **5** You will flee through this valley, for it will reach across to Azal. Yes, you will flee as you did from the earthquake in the days of King Uzziah of Judah. Then the LORD my God will come, and all his holy ones with him. **6** On that day the sources of light will no longer shine, **7** yet there will be continuous day! Only the LORD knows how this could happen! There will be no normal day and night, for at evening time it will still be light. **8** On that day life-giving waters will flow out from Jerusalem, half toward the Dead Sea and half toward the Mediterranean, flowing continuously both in summer and in winter. **9** And the LORD will be king over all the earth. On that day there will be one LORD--his name alone will be worshiped. **10** All the land from Geba, north of Judah, to Rimmon, south of Jerusalem, will become one vast plain. But Jerusalem will be raised up in its original place and will be inhabited all the way from the Benjamin Gate over to the site of the old gate, then to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the king's winepresses. **11** And Jerusalem will be filled, safe at last, never again to be cursed and destroyed. **12** And the LORD will send a plague on all the nations that fought against Jerusalem. Their people will become like walking corpses, their flesh rotting away. Their eyes will shrivel in their sockets, and their tongues will decay in their mouths. **13** On that day they will be terrified, stricken by the LORD with great panic. They will fight against each other in hand-to-hand combat; **14** Judah, too, will be fighting at Jerusalem. The wealth of all the neighboring nations will be captured--great quantities of gold and silver and fine clothing. **15** This same plague will strike the horses, mules, camels, donkeys, and all the other animals in the enemy camps. **16** In the end, the enemies of Jerusalem who survive the plague will go up to Jerusalem each year to worship the King, the LORD Almighty, and to celebrate the Festival of Shelters. **17** And any nation anywhere in the world that refuses to come to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD Almighty, will have no rain. **18** And if the people of Egypt refuse to attend the festival, the LORD will punish them with the same plague that he sends on the other nations who refuse to go. **19** Egypt and the other nations will all be punished if they don't go to celebrate the festival. **20** On that day even the harness bells of the horses will be inscribed with these words: SET APART AS HOLY TO THE LORD. And the cooking pots in the Temple of the LORD will be as sacred as the basins used beside the altar. **21** In fact, every cooking pot in Jerusalem and Judah will be set apart as holy to the LORD Almighty. All who come to worship will be free to use any of these pots to boil their sacrifices. And on that day there will no longer be traders in the Temple of the LORD Almighty. (NLT)

We just studied that Jesus Christ established the New Covenant and canceled the Old Covenant, then how can we apply this prophecy today when it describes things about the Old Covenant including celebrating the Festival of Shelters, Jerusalem is the center of all happenings with time dating the prophecy by the animals in the enemy camps and doing sacrifices as required by the Old Covenant?. All of this always confused me. I have had others tell me we would be doing animal sacrifices before Jesus Christ comes. Others have written; keep your eyes focused on the country of Israel to see these things as they begin to happen. Yet the Lord has told me and has had me speak the destruction of the country Israel in prophecy. I have always had questions about this Old Covenant prophecy and others in the Old Covenant of being fulfilled. Praise the Lord, for those who ask, answers will be given but always in the Lord's time. For in these latter days of the last days, the Lord by His Holy Spirit is revealing to His people, the obedient and faithful, the truth we need to be the Church Jesus Christ is returning for to receive praise from His body being the Church.

As I pondered Zechariah 14, **the Lord spoke this to me**. "Old covenant prophecies were spoken to Israel based on the law of Moses that they may understand and repent of their sins and be given hope of a better time when the LORD will rule the earth. They had no understanding that the old covenant would be set aside and a new covenant be established by My sending My only begotten Son to die for the sins of the world. You under the new covenant cannot apply these descriptions on the how and where of the coming. Just as the laws no longer apply, these prophecies were until My Son came."

What can we glean from Zechariah 14? Only that the LORD is coming to rule the earth. Now we have a greater understanding because we have a new covenant and New Testament Bible with the book of Revelation revealing signs of the Lord's coming and how long he will rule before the heavenly Jerusalem will come forth.

This is what the Lord revealed to me. If you still have doubt, the proof is in the word of God and He revealed that truth to me. On that day in my prayer closet I read that scripture and stood up and started praying to the Lord. Suddenly the Lord opened my mind and the revelation of that scripture came to me and I said thank you Lord for revealing this truth to me. With what the Lord spoke and the scripture given, no longer will I have confusion as I read the Old Covenant prophecies. I now know how to apply that prophecy in our day. Remember what Jesus said in ***Revelation 3:6 6 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.*** (KJV) Because as I have sought the truth, the Holy Spirit has showed me that some

of the Old Covenant prophecy pertains today for our time. But if we have to apply the Law of Moses to see that prophecy fulfilled, then that prophecy part cannot apply. Without listening to the Spirit, if we speak about how and when and where concerning Old Covenant prophecy for the end of the age, we can easily become false prophets deceiving other Christians. Listed are the scriptures that give proof of what the Lord spoke concerning Old Covenant prophecy.

1. **Matthew 11:12-13** **12** *And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.* **13** **For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.** (KJV)

2. **Luke 16:16** **16** *The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it.* (KJV)

3. **Luke 16:16** **16** *"Until John the Baptist began to preach, the laws of Moses and the messages of the prophets were your guides. But now the Good News of the Kingdom of God is preached, and eager multitudes are forcing their way in.* (NLT)

4. **Matthew 5:17** **17** *Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.* (KJV)

5. **John 19:28-30** **28** *After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst.* **29** *Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth.* **30** *When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.* (KJV)

5. **Acts 3:24** **24** *"Starting with Samuel, every prophet spoke about what is happening today.* (NLT)

Also God did not reveal the secret plan to the previous generations (those under the Law of Moses) that all may have the promises of blessings through Jesus Christ. **Ephesians 3:5-6** **5** *God did not reveal it to previous generations, but now he has revealed it by the Holy Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets.* **6** *And this is the secret plan: The Gentiles have an equal share with the Jews in all the riches inherited by God's children. Both groups have believed the Good News, and both are part of the same body and enjoy together the promise of blessings through Christ Jesus.* (NLT) Now you have knowledge and wisdom that you will not be deceived when someone begins to give an interpretation of old covenant prophecy that clearly shows we must go back under the law to see that prophecy fulfilled. **Those prophecies were for those under the Old Covenant.** Jesus Christ changed God's order and canceled the old covenant commands that were to

be for ever. From the teaching above about the law and the prophecies of old, you now have an understanding of what Peter spoke in **Acts 3:21** *For he must remain in heaven until the time for the final restoration of all things, as God promised long ago through his prophets.* (NLT) in that Jesus Christ is coming to rule under the New Covenant and its rules that Jesus established and not by the Law of Moses.

An example would be as in this parable. "There once was a country that had its laws and government with promises of a great and mighty future. This great country became corrupted and was invaded and conquered. A new king and a new set of laws were established by that made the country greater than it was before. Can the citizens of the conquered country still expect all of the previous promises of its old king before it was conquered to be fulfilled by the new king?" Jesus Christ is our new king who gives better promises by the New Covenant he established.

Christians must understand how and why Christ came. Once Christians receive that knowledge and wisdom they will have understanding and will not be deceived.

1. Jesus came to do the will of His Father. **John 5:30** *I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.* (KJV)

2. Jesus was born under the law by woman. **Galatians 4:4-5** *4 But when the right time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law. 5 God sent him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that he could adopt us as his very own children.* (NLT)

3. Jesus Christ fulfilled the letter of the law without sin to cancel the old covenant and to establish the new covenant. **Romans 10: 4** *For Christ has accomplished the whole purpose of the law. All who believe in him are made right with God.* (NLT)

4. Jesus' came to teach turn from your sins. **Matthew 4:17** *17 From then on, Jesus began to preach, "Turn from your sins and turn to God, because the Kingdom of Heaven is near."* (NLT)

5. Jesus Christ told some that he healed to do as required by the law of Moses. **Matthew 8:4** *4 Then Jesus said to him, "Go right over to the priest and let him examine you. Don't talk to anyone along the way. Take along the offering required in the law of Moses for those who have been healed of leprosy, so everyone will have proof of your healing."* (NLT)

6. Jesus Christ also compared the law of Moses to His way of the new covenant as He taught. **Matthew 5:21-22** *21 "You have heard that the law*

of Moses says, 'Do not murder. If you commit murder, you are subject to judgment.' 22 But I say, if you are angry with someone, you are subject to judgment! If you call someone an idiot, you are in danger of being brought before the high council. And if you curse someone, you are in danger of the fires of hell. (NLT) Also see Matthew 5:27, 31, 38, & 43.

Jesus Christ was a Messiah of change. Being born of woman Jesus as He lived He did the will of His Father, fulfilled the Law of Moses and of the prophets, told some to do as required by the law of Moses after he healed them, healed some and told them to sin no more, forgave the sins of many, taught by parables because of the people's hard hearts, taught the disciples who were his apostles and died on the cross for the sins of many. After Jesus' death before he ascended to heaven he opened the minds of his apostles that they may know the scripture. **Luke 24:44-46** **44** *Then he said, "When I was with you before, I told you that everything written about me by Moses and the prophets and in the Psalms must all come true."* **45** *Then he opened their minds to understand these many Scriptures.* **46** *And he said, "Yes, it was written long ago that the Messiah must suffer and die and rise again from the dead on the third day.* (NLT)

The coming of the new covenant was begun by John the Baptist. It was Jesus Christ who completed the transition from the old covenant to the new covenant by his death and resurrection. What was done in the old covenant as commanded by God given to Moses for the Israelites was canceled by Jesus Christ. If anyone preaches or teaches a Christian to do the law or any of the festivals commanded by the law, separate yourself from them because you have been taught the truth and the truth has set you free from the law.

Then some will say, I will just disregard the Old Covenant. God forbid, we must never ignore the Old Covenant. It is our history lesson of the beginning of creation and God's plan for Adam and Eve. The Old Covenant teaches us that Adam and Eve sinned by disobeying God. The Old Covenant teaches us that after Adam and Eve, God began making covenants with others that were faithful to God. The Old Covenant teaches that Noah obeyed God and God's creations on earth lived. The Old Covenant teaches that Abraham believed God and the nation of Israel was born. The Old Covenant teaches that Israel was to be God's light to the world but they rebelled against God. The Old Covenant teaches that God sent prophets to Israel warning them to repent. The Old Covenant teaches after Samuel it was prophesized that God would send a Messiah in the line of David to set up His kingdom to rule over all the earth. The Old Covenant teaches that by the speaking of God's prophets, if they repented and returned to God, what

the nation of Israel would be like and how the end would be when the Lord came to rule the earth. The Old Covenant teaches that by the prophecies spoken that the prophets knew not the full purpose of Christ's coming. The Old Covenant teaches that by the words the prophets' prophesized the Messiah would rule the earth under the Law of Moses because temple sacrifices were included in their prophecies. The Old Covenant teaches that Law of Moses was to be for ever. The Old Covenant teaches that Israel wanted Christ's kingdom when he came according to what the prophets of the Old Covenant prophesized. The Old Covenant events were a warning to us not to following the examples of Israel but to obey the commands of Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 10:6-11 6 Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. 7 Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. 8 Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. 9 Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. 10 Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. 11 Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. (KJV)

The New Covenant teaches that God himself canceled the Old Covenant by sending His only begotten Son. The Messiah came fulfilling the letter of the law dying for the sins of the world and rose the third day in a resurrected body being the first of many to come. We no longer serve God by the letter of the law but by the Spirit if we obey the commands of Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ came the first time for the sinners of the world living in a flesh and blood body setting an example for those who follow him. We can be like him as we live in our flesh and blood bodies if we obey His commands. By obeying Jesus' commands we will be his Church when he comes again to receive praise and glory from his Church.

Then do we still prophets in our day? The word of God in the New Testament says yes. **The word of God says both God and Jesus Christ set apostles and prophets in the body of Christ.** These apostles and prophets are set in the Church of Jesus Christ to see that the word of God is completely taught and obeyed. The apostles and prophets plus the evangelists, pastors, teachers plus the nine gifts of the Holy Spirit are required to be set in the Church. It is the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost

that set gifts in the Church but Jesus Christ is the head and the authority of the Church. Without these gifts being in the Church, that Church can never come into the perfection of Jesus Christ. The Church of Jesus Christ is built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets who are given instructions for the Church by Jesus Christ who is the cornerstone and the head of the Church. Let us review the word of God. A church without these gifts within is not the Church Jesus Christ is coming for. For without the gifts how can the body of Christ move beyond the principles of the doctrine of Christ coming into perfection?

Matthew 23:34 34 *Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and some of them ye shall kill and crucify; and some of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city:* (KJV)

1 Corinthians 12:28 28 *Here is a list of some of the members that God has placed in the body of Christ: first are apostles, second are prophets, third are teachers, then those who do miracles, those who have the gift of healing, those who can help others, those who can get others to work together, those who speak in unknown languages.* (NLT)

1 Corinthians 12:4-11 4 *Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. 5 And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. 6 And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all. 7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. 8 For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; 9 To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; 10 To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: 11 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.* (KJV)

Ephesians 4:8-11 8 *That is why the Scriptures say, "When he ascended to the heights, he led a crowd of captives and gave gifts to his people." 9 Notice that it says "he ascended." This means that Christ first came down to the lowly world in which we live. 10 The same one who came down is the one who ascended higher than all the heavens, so that his rule might fill the entire universe. 11 He is the one who gave these gifts to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. (NLT)*

Ephesians 4:12-16 12 *Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ, 13 until we*

come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature and full grown in the Lord, measuring up to the full stature of Christ. 14 Then we will no longer be like children, forever changing our minds about what we believe because someone has told us something different or because someone has cleverly lied to us and made the lie sound like the truth. 15 Instead, we will hold to the truth in love, becoming more and more in every way like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church. 16 Under his direction, the whole body is fitted together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love. (NLT)

Ephesians 2:19-22 **19** *So now you Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens along with all of God's holy people. You are members of God's family. 20 We are his house, built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets. And the cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself. 21 We who believe are carefully joined together, becoming a holy temple for the Lord. 22 Through him you Gentiles are also joined together as part of this dwelling where God lives by his Spirit. (NLT)*

God has not left us in the dark about his plans or his ways. God himself changes not but God did make a way for all to be saved by Jesus Christ. We still have prophets in these days that give warnings of judgments to the Churches that are like the Israelites were being stiff necked and rebellious. Nothing has changed because the Churches today listen not to the prophets. The Churches doesn't kill the prophets yet but will not let them in or boots them out because of their message of repentance.

The book of Revelation was written by John one of the disciples of Jesus Christ. This book of prophecy is our book of warnings about the end of the age and the coming of Jesus Christ for his Church. Beware of those who have written books about the prophecies in Revelation. They have distorted the truth about when, where and how these prophecies will be fulfilled. These writers by their flesh man have expanded God's prophecies selling it as the truth. Without the Holy Spirit speaking to us to open our minds to the scriptures within Revelation, we can only read and be blessed by God in the reading, obeying what is written and heed the warnings in Revelation of the tribulation that will be. It is in this tribulation Jesus Christ will come for his Church. Christians must be ready at all times for the coming of Jesus Christ because we know not the day or the hour.

I finish this study by what the Lord by the Holy Ghost has opened my mind too. This revelation knowledge has come over several years. It began in 1999 after I was baptized in the Holy Ghost just as in the Book of Acts. Each time I would read Revelation, I would ask the Lord why Satan was let lose after the one thousand years. My first revelation came in the summer of 2001 while I and my wife were at a meeting in Tulsa at the Oral Roberts University. This is what the Lord spoke that day—"The thousand year reign of Christ on earth is to recreate the Garden of Eden on this earth to be tended by all with him by a chain of command. A time of final testing will be when Satan is released and all evil will be removed before the new heaven and the new earth where God reigns with no evil present."

Meeting with other Christians, they have stated that after Christ comes there will be those who Christ has changed and those who Christ has risen along with those of flesh and blood but not immortal. This statement of flesh and blood not being immortal comes from Old Covenant prophecies trying to be applied in the New Covenant age. One prime example is **Isaiah 65:19-25** *19 I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people. And the sound of weeping and crying will be heard no more. 20 "No longer will babies die when only a few days old. No longer will adults die before they have lived a full life. No longer will people be considered old at one hundred! Only sinners will die that young! 21 In those days, people will live in the houses they build and eat the fruit of their own vineyards. 22 It will not be like the past, when invaders took the houses and confiscated the vineyards. For my people will live as long as trees and will have time to enjoy their hard-won gains. 23 They will not work in vain, and their children will not be doomed to misfortune. For they are people blessed by the LORD, and their children, too, will be blessed. 24 I will answer them before they even call to me. While they are still talking to me about their needs, I will go ahead and answer their prayers! 25 The wolf and lamb will feed together. The lion will eat straw like the ox. Poisonous snakes will strike no more. In those days, no one will be hurt or destroyed on my holy mountain. I, the LORD, have spoken!"* (NLT) The Lord showed me by his word that the part about flesh and blood bodies being in the resurrection is false. In Revelation it states all flesh of men will be eaten by the vultures and the remnant will be slain with the sword. In Matthew Jesus states that we shall be as the angles of God.

Revelation 19:17-21 *17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; 18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the*

flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great. 19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. 20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. 21 And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh. (KJV)

Matthew 22:28-30 28 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had her. 29 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err; not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God. 30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven. (KJV)

From the word of God Paul writes that “we shall all be changed” and “we who are living will be transformed”. Are these not the Christians that are still alive on earth when Christ comes for His Church? Are these not Christians the ones that shall be caught up together with them in the clouds? Does not Jesus Christ destroy all of those not of Him when He returns? Then who is left on earth of flesh and blood? By the word of God from the above scriptures, there can be no flesh and blood bodies left on earth to live in the resurrection with Christ for 1000 years. If the Old Covenant prophecies from Isaiah, Micah or other Old Covenant prophets are applied, we have a conflict with the word of God and that should not be. If we apply the teachings of Jesus Christ from *Matthew 11:12-13 12 And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. 13 For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.* (KJV), Luke 16:16 and Matthew 5:17, we have no conflict with the word of God. The word of God is its own witness. There will be no flesh and blood bodies on the earth after Christ returns for his Church. Only those who were alive and changed in the twinkling of an eye and the dead in Christ who will be raised first, are the ones to be with Christ. These are the ones of the first resurrection that the second death has no power. Revelation 20:6. Remember all scripture is given by the inspiration of God as stated in *2 Timothy 3:16-17 16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished*

unto all good works. (KJV)

Those of the first resurrection are the ones that some will be deceived at the end of the thousand years when Satan is loosened. Another question I had for the Lord, if all with Christ on earth for one thousand years have resurrected bodies, how can they be deceived? The Lord gave me this revelation—It is by God's love, grace and mercy that many from all the denominational churches through out the generations since Christ ascended have received salvation to be with Jesus Christ. This is the scripture the Lord brought to my mind. *Matthew 19:25-26* **25** *The disciples were astounded. "Then who in the world can be saved?" they asked. 26* *Jesus looked at them intently and said, "Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But with God everything is possible."* (NLT)

Those in the resurrection with Christ will continue to be taught the word of God and be given time to come into the full knowledge of the word of God during the one thousand years because they disobeyed the word of God on earth. God keeps his word that is written that all who confess Christ will be saved and will be with Christ. In these latter days of these last days when God changes things to bring the Church of Jesus Christ to shine in the world, God's grace and mercy is ending. In judgment only those who have obeyed the commands of Christ in the word of God will be with Christ while all others confessing Christ by disobeying the word of God will be lost.

This is the part of the revelation that grieves my heart. Those with Christ in the thousand years that did not obey the word of God on earth, some will not obey and come into the knowledge of the word of God as they are taught during the thousand years. They will still be stiff necked and rebellious gathering themselves together according to their denomination they belonged to on earth. These are the ones Satan will deceive for they still have never given their hearts to Christ by disobeying the word of God. Without obedience to the commands of Christ they can never enter into the gates of the New Jerusalem. See Revelation 22:14. We will always have our free will just as the angles do and yet 1/3 of the angles in heaven that were deceived by Satan were bound until the end.

Just as the angles rebelled against God and his kingdom, there will be rebellion by those with Christ in their resurrected bodies being deceived when Satan is loosened at the end of the thousand years. The word of God in Revelation 20:9 says—**7** *And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, 8* *And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them*

together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. 9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. (KJV)

They were devoured which means to consume or destroy with devastating force. Remember these are part of the first resurrection and the second death has no power over them. See Revelation 20:6. The Lord by this revelation said they are done away with completely meaning the body, spirit and soul of the resurrected body. They are no more in existence. They will never be in the New Jerusalem or the lake of fire or sit outside the gates of the heavenly Jerusalem. Then one night as I was walking with the Lord before bed this is what the Lord spoke—“They being devoured, that is worse than being in the lake of fire and that is all I am going to say about this.” Matthew 10:28 second part of the verse states “*Fear only God, who can destroy both soul and body in hell.*” It is God that can do away with the complete essence of the human genome which is the body as well as the soul at any time or place. God is righteousness in all his ways and holy in all his works. Psalm 145:17.

The Lord also answered my question, then those sitting outside the gates of the heavenly Jerusalem where did they come from? Looking at Revelation 22, we find that the tree of life is within the walls of the heavenly Jerusalem and we shall see the face of God. Revelation 22:14 says—**14** *Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. (KJV)* Blessed are they that do Christ’s commandments may enter the gates of the heavenly Jerusalem having rights to the tree of life. The word of God and by revelation from God teaches that all Christians at some point must come into the fullness of the word of God by obeying the commands of Jesus Christ or they can never enter into the gates. That is why Satan was able to deceive the many at the end of the thousand years.

In the next verse, Revelation 22:15 says—*For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie. (KJV)* We know from the word of God that God never forces his will on any created being. We all will always have the freedom of choice. Some will still rebel against God and Christ in the heavenly Jerusalem and will be removed from the city never to enter in again. These kicked out are listed in verse 15. The Lord brings to memory Matthew 7:14 stressing the depth and the full meaning of scripture.

Matthew 7:14 *14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it. (KJV)]*

This teaching and the revelations within are from the Lord by the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit has taught by the word of God truths that have been hidden until this time. The Lord by the Holy Spirit has given revelation knowledge that warns all Christians confessing Christ will be held accountable to know the word of God and obey the commands of Christ that they may come into the perfection of Christ. It will be much better if Christians accomplish and come into the perfection of Christ in their life time on earth and be the Church Jesus Christ is coming for. There is more that have been given to me but the Lord said hold it until later because my people still refuse to listen to my prophets and teachers of my truth.

I close this teaching with a comment and quote.

Comment—God’s plan for us in eternity is not revealed in the word of God. The word of God only takes us into the heavenly city of the New Jerusalem. Then what plans has God for us in eternity? Ask God but if you ask expect an answer. **James 1:5-8** *5 If you need wisdom--if you want to know what God wants you to do--ask him, and he will gladly tell you. He will not resent your asking. 6 But when you ask him, be sure that you really expect him to answer, for a doubtful mind is as unsettled as a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. 7 People like that should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. 8 They can't make up their minds. They waver back and forth in everything they do. (NLT)*

Quote—from “Cradle of Saturn” by James P. Hogan—“Once people are trained in a particular theory, they become emotionally wedded to it. They can be literally incapable of seeing anything that contradicts it, and will invent the most amazing rationalizations. That’s why you have to wait for a generation to die off before you can move on.” Does this not sound like certain churches and Christians down through the generations?

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