

# *Resurrection Life of Jesus Church*

## **BACK TO THE BOOK OF ACTS (BBA)**

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### **PART 8C: THE DOCTRINE OF THE SECOND COVENANT**

#### **EXPECT AN ANSWER WHEN YOU PRAY**

Jesus was now beginning to help the people to have faith in God, and when they prayed, they were to expect an answer from God. This was contrary to what most Jewish people living at that time experienced; they were used to formal, repetitious prayers that never received an answer from God. **Matthew 7:7-11**

#### **THE GOLDEN RULE**

This is a quote that religious people like Freemasons and New Agers are fond of saying, but notice that Jesus did not attach salvation to this commandment; He simply stated that this was a spiritual law in force on the earth. If it is kept, a man will be blessed on earth, but it has nothing to do with salvation. **Matthew 7:12**

#### **USING THE NAME OF JESUS DOES NOT SAVE A PERSON**

Jesus told the crowd that proclaiming "Jesus is Lord" or performing works in the name of Jesus does not save a person. To be saved, a person has to do the will of the Father. Jesus explained what the will of the Father is at another teaching session to Nicodemus.

There are two kinds of people on the earth, those who are building their lives on sinking sand and those who are building it upon the Rock (Jesus Christ). **Matthew 7:21-27; John 3:1-8**

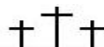
**NOTE:** When Jesus gave the commandments under the First Covenant to Moses, if a person broke the law, physical punishment was to be carried out by the State. Thus, the First Covenant set forth was a "Theocracy." It was an earthly kingdom also known as the "Nation of Israel."

The Second Covenant is a spiritual covenant and has no physical kingdom on this earth. **John 18:36**

In the Second Covenant, there is a penalty for breaking the commandments of Jesus, but it is carried out by God's holy angels and demonic forces which have the legal right to afflict people when they break God's laws. **Galatians 6:7-9**

There will be a final judgment with payments to be made at the Great White Throne Judgment. **Revelation 20:10-15**

***Jesus did not teach like the Jewish scribes, who quoted a certain rabbi and had no absolute doctrine. Jesus had authority because He is God and not a man. Jesus had a human body but He was still God clothed in a human body. Matthew 7:28***



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