

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

RELATIONSHIPS THAT PLEASE GOD

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PART 1C: WHAT GOD INTENDED

GOD IS A HOLY GOD

To understand God we must stop projecting human attributes to Him. God is love but He is also a God of judgment. God is merciful, but when His mercy is rejected, His wrath will come upon the people who reject His mercy. God is our father but that doesn't make Him our "buddy." God is holy and wants to be treated with respect, reverence and obedience. **Exodus 19:14-24; 20:18-21**

Through Christ we can come boldly to the throne of God, but we must approach the throne with faith, love and respect. **Hebrews 10:16-22**

In order for God to receive our worship, we must come to Him in spirit and in truth. **John 4:21-24**

When we approach another human being, regardless of their status, we should always treat each person with the utmost respect. **Ephesians 4:32**

As we begin to understand God's holiness we will also recognize that God's laws are holy and they must be loved, respected and obeyed. Let's continue to examine God's basic laws.

MURDER

God set up a universal law that every murderer should be executed. Murder was rampant prior to the Flood. As soon as the Flood was over, God gave a specific law to Noah and his three sons that if they murdered someone, they would forfeit their own life. **Genesis 9:3-6**

When God set up the laws for the nation of Israel, He reiterated that murder would not be tolerated and that a murderer must be executed or the land would become polluted. **Exodus 21:12; Numbers 35:30-34**

DOMESTIC LAWS

Very few Christians have understood and appreciated the domestic laws that God gave to Moses. When Moses left Egypt with some 3 million people, they needed laws to govern them if they were going to survive as a nation. We find in reading the books of Moses (Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy) all the laws that God wanted Israel to live by so they could prosper as a nation.

There are three sets of laws given:

1. THE MORAL LAW governed how God wanted to be treated and how we are to treat people around us. **Exodus 20:1-17; Leviticus 20:10-17**



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2. THE PRACTICAL LAW contained laws against crime and how to stay healthy. **Leviticus 11:1-47; 15:1-12**

The first two sets of laws had nothing to do with salvation or forgiveness of sins and are just as valid today as they were some 4,000 years ago.

3. THE SACRIFICIAL LAWS governed mankind's atonement for sin and were valid until Jesus died on the cross when they were fulfilled and done away with forever. **Matthew 5:17-19; Hebrews 9:11-26**

The nations in Western Europe and the United States of America have laws of God as given to Moses as their foundation. Most other nations in the world have based their laws upon religions like Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism and the different pagan religions. The Soviet Union and China and other Communist nations have based their laws on the satanic writings of Moses Hess and Karl Marx, which is a mixture of the Cabbala, Freemasonry and Satanism.

For the last 300 years, Cabalistic Jews, Freemasons, Satanists and others have worked hard to change the laws little by little in Western Europe and in the United States. The result can be seen in the chaos of increasing crime, men and women addicted to all types of drugs, sexual immorality, families falling apart, couples living together, and the rise of homosexuality.

THE FAMILY

The family is the basic building block and nations are only as strong as the families which dwell in them. If a nation's laws are good, it will reflect upon each family. If a nation's laws are evil, it will cause destruction in the families. Evil laws are a cancer in a nation. **Proverbs 25:5; 29:2**

The laws in the Roman Empire were evil. As people accepted Christ and became born again, the apostle Paul set forth the divine domestic laws for each Christian family. **Ephesians 5:18-33**

The Christians could not change the laws of Rome during the first century but they did adopt their own laws as given by God and created a mini-state within the state. The laws in the United States are becoming increasingly evil and Christians must live by God's divine laws and create a nation within the nation.

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

DO YOU HAVE AN EAR TO HEAR WITH?