

## BACK TO BIBLE AUTHORITY

### MAN NEEDS A STANDARD

**Jeremiah 10:23:** *O Jehovah, I know that the way of man is not in himself. It is not in man who walks to direct his steps.*

**Proverbs 14:12:** *There is a way which seems right to a man, but the end of it are the ways of death.*

**1 Corinthians 14:33:** *for\* God is not a God of unrest, but of peace.*

**Hebrews 8:5:** *who gives-divine-service to what is a copy and shadow of the heavenly things, just-as Moses had been divinely-warned while being about to complete the tabernacle; for\* behold, he says, 'You will be making\* all things according-to the pattern which was shown to you in the mountain.'* {Exo 25:40}.

**2 Timothy 3:16:** *All Scripture is God-breathed and is profitable for teaching, for conviction, for correction, for education, which is in righteousness.*

**Matthew 7:24:** *Therefore, everyone who hears these words from me and practices them, I will liken him to a prudent man, who built his house upon the rock.*

**Matthew 7:26:** *And everyone hearing these words from me and who is not doing\* them, will be similar to a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand.*

### SUMMARY

- (1) WITHOUT BROADLY ACCEPTED, RELIABLE STANDARDAS, THE WORLD WOULD BE IN CHOAS.
- (2) THE CREATOR OF MAN SAID THAT HE DIDN'T MAKE MAN WITH INBORN KNOWLEDGE.
- (3) NO MAN, LEFT ALONE, CAN DETERMINE WHAT IS RIGHT OR WRONG.
- (4) SOMETHING MAY SEEM CLEARLY RIGHT TO A MAN BUT BE CLEARLY WRONG TO GOD.
- (5) BOD WOULD NOT CONFUSE THE WORLD WOTH DIFFERING, CONTRADICTIONARY TRUTHS.
- (6) MAN MUST MAKE ALL THINGS IN HIS LIFE ACCORDING TO GOD'S PATTERN.
- (7) ALL SCRIPTURE IS (theopneustos) GOD BREATHED = GOD'S OWN BREATH.
- (8) THE BIBLE IS GOD'S YARD STICK, HIS PATTERN, HIS MEASURING ROD.
- (9) THE WOEDS OF JESUS ARE GOD'S FOUNDATION ROCK WHICH GIVES US RELIABLE TRUTH.
- (10) TO BUILD UPON ANYTHING ELSE IS TO BUILD UPON UNRELIABLE, SINKING SAND.

FEELINGS	FAMILY TRADITIONS	CHURCH PRACTICE
MULTITUDES	MODERN PROPHETS	OLD COVENANT
<b>UNRELIABLE AUTHORITY</b>		

**1. FEELINGS (EMOTIONS):**

**Jeremiah 17:9** : The heart is deceitful above all things and it is exceedingly corrupt. Who can know it?

**2. TRADITIONS (HANDED DOWN)**

**Matthew 15:3** : But he answered and said to them, Why do you ° also transgress the commandment of God because of your° tradition?

**3. CHURCH PROCTIVE (WHAT OUR CHURCH DOES):**

**Acts 9:14** : and he has authority from the high-priests here to bind all the ones calling upon your name.

**4. MULTITUDES (BIGGEST CROWD):**

**Matthew 7:13, 14** : Enter° in through the **narrow gate**, because wide is the gate and broad is the way, the one leading **to destruction** and many people are the ones who are entering through it. 7:14 Why is it? Narrow is the gate

and pressed is the way, the one leading to life and few are the ones who are finding it.

## 5. MODERN PROPHETS (“SPEAK FOR” GOD):

**1 John 4:1** : Beloved, do<sup>o</sup> not believe every spirit, but test<sup>o</sup> the spirits, to see if they are from God, because many false\* prophets have gone forth into the world.

## 6. OLD COVENANT (OLD TESTAMENT LAW):

**Colossians 2:14** : having wiped-away the handwriting in the decrees that were against us, which were an adversary to us. He has also taken these out of the midst of us, having nailed it to the cross.

### SUMMARY

(1) OUR HEART (EMOTIONS IS DECEITFUL AND CANNOT BE TRUSTED AS GOD’S AUTHORITY.

(2) OUR CONSCIENCE IS DEVELOPED BY OUR CULTURE, IF THE CULTURE IS WRONG ON SOME POINT THE OUR CONSCIENCE WILL LIKEWISE BE WRONG.

(3) THOUGH TRADITIONS MAY BE OFTEN RIGHT, THEY ARE YET SOMETIMES WRONG.

(4) SAUL THOUGHT IT WAS RIGHT TO KILL CHRISTIANS BECAUSE HIS RELIGIOUS LEADERS SAID SO.

(5) SAUL WAS CONFIDENT THAT EACH TIME HE KILLED ANOTHER CHRISTIAN IT MADE GOD HAPPY.

(6) BECAUSE SOMETHING IS BELIEVED BY MANY OR BY FEW DOES NOT DETERMINE IF IT IS RIGHT OR WRONG.

(7) A MAN CLAIMING TO BE A PROPHET MUST BE TESTED BY THE WRITTEN COMMANDMENTS OF GOD

(8) THE OLD LAW OF MOSES ENDED WHEN IT WAS NAILED TO THE CROSS (V.16: THE LAW WHICH MENTIONS THE SABBATH).

**GOD**

**RELIABLE AUTHORITY**



**EPHESIANS 4:6** : *one God and Father of all, the one overall and through all and in us all.*

**MATTHEW 28:18** : *And Jesus came near and spoke to them, saying, All authority was given to me in heaven and upon earth.*

**CHRIST**



**JOHN 13:16** : *But whenever that one, the Spirit of the truth, comes, he will be guiding you<sup>o</sup> into all the truth; for\* he will not be speaking from himself, but as many things as he may hear, these he will be speaking, and he will be reporting to you<sup>o</sup> the things which are coming.*

**MATTHEW 18:18** : *Assuredly, I am saying to you<sup>o</sup> , As many things as you<sup>o</sup> would bind upon the earth will have already been bound in heaven, and as many things as you<sup>o</sup> would loose upon earth will have already been loosed in heaven.*

**HOLY SPIRIT**



**EPHESIANS 3:4** : *to which, you<sup>o</sup> are able, by reading it, to perceive my understanding in the mystery of the Christ.*

**1 CORINTHIANS 14:37** : *If anyone thinks himself to be a prophet or spiritual, let him fully know what I write to you<sup>o</sup> , that they are the commandments from the Lord.*

**JONH 10:35** : *If he called\* those men gods, to whom the word of God came\* (and the Scripture is not able to be torn-down).*

**Apostles**

**SUMMARY**

**(1)** SINCE GOD MADE US, HE HAS THE RIGHT TO SAY WHAT WE SHOULD AND WHAT WE SHOULD NOT DO.

**(2)** GOD HAS GIVIEN CHRIST ALL AUTHORITY IN HEAVEN AND IN EARTH.

**(3)** CHRIST SENT THE HOLY SPIRIT TO GUIDE HIS APOSTLES UNTO ALL TRUTH.

**SCRIPTURES**



**(4)** THE APOSTLES WROTE THE NEW TESTAMENT BY THE HOLY SPIRIT.



**CHRISTIANS**

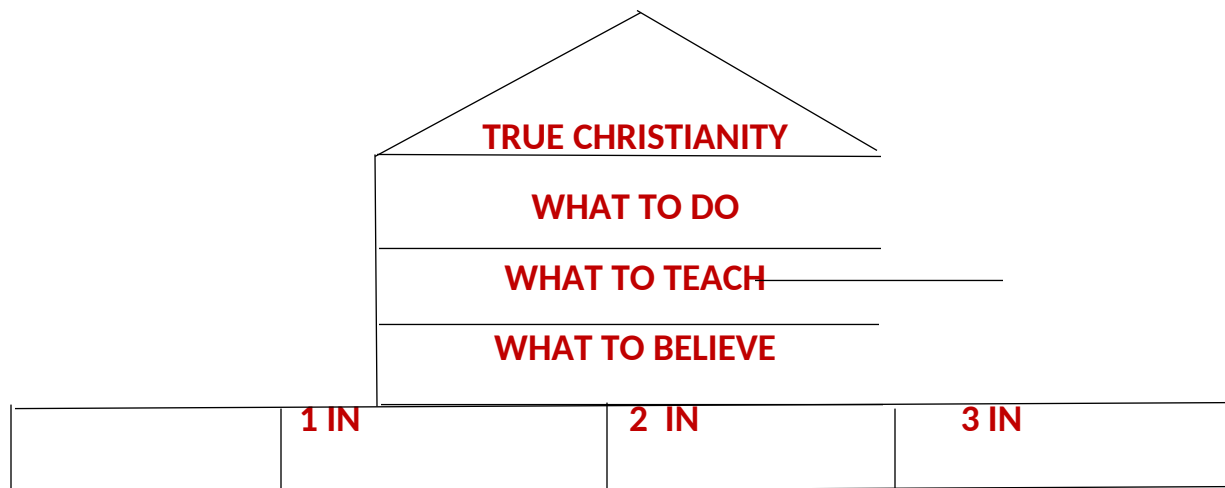
(5) THE NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES ARE THE BINDING AUTHORITY OF GOD.

(6) THIS WAS GOD'S PLAN OF AUTHORITY - WRITTEN DOCUMENT, THE MOST

(7) JESUS PROMISED THAT THE SCRIPTURES WOULD RELIABLY REMAIN WITH US.

(8) THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH GUIDED THE APOSTLES INTO ALL TRUTH TO WRITE THE WORD OF TRUTH.

(9) I AM RESPECTIVE GOD'S AUTHORITY WHEN I AM RESPECTION THE AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURES.



### MEASURE EVERYTHING

**MATTHEW 21:23 :** *And he came by himself into the temple, the high-priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, saying, In what authority are you doing\* these things? And who gave you this authority?*

**MATTHEW 21:25 :** *The immersion\* of John, where was it from, from heaven or from men?*

**JOHN 12:48 :** *He who is rejecting me, and is not receiving my declarations has the one who judges him; the word which I spoke that will be judging him in the last day.*

**ACTS 17:11 :** *Now these Jews were noble more than the ones in Thessalonica, those who accepted the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures every day, to see if these things hold up so.*

**REVELATION 22:18** : *I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book, if anyone should add upon them, God might add upon him the wounds which have been written in this book.*

**REVELATION 22:19** : *And if anyone should take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God may take away his part from the Tree of Life and out of the holy city, which have been written in this book.*

## **SUMMARY**

- (1) WE MUST ASK OURSELVES BY WHAT AUTHORITY WE DO ALL THAT WE DO IN RELIGION.
- (2) NEXT WE MUST ASK WHO GAVE US THIS AUTHORITY - HEAVEN OR MEN?
- (3) JUST BECAUSE YOU ARE FIGHT BY A RELIGION'S STANDARD DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU ARE RIGHT BY GOD'S STANDARD (THE BIBLE) WHICH SHALL BE THE STANDARD TO JUDGE MAN IN THE LAST DAY.
- (4) IF A THING IS TAUGHT IN SCRIPTURE, IT IS SO. IF NOT, IT IS NOT SO.
- (5) WE KNOW WHICH IS GOD'S TRUTH AND WHICH IS MAN'S ERROR BY WHAT THE APOSTLES WROTE.
- (6) IF WE DO, TEACH, OR BELIEVE MORE THAN IS IN THE BIBLE WE ARE ADDING TO THE BIBLE.
- (7) IF WE DO, TEACH, OR BELIEVE LESS THAN IS IN THE BIBLE WE'RE TAKING AWAY FROM THE BIBLE.
- (8) ANY THING SHORTER IS TOO SHORT, ANYTHING LONGER IS TOO LONG.
- (9) WE MUST MEASURE EVERYTHING ABOUT CHRISTIANITY BY GOD'S YARDSTICK.
- (10) THE WORDS OF JESUS ARE GOD'S FOUNDATION ROCK UPON WHICH TO BUILD OUR LIVES.

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