

Scriptures and Doctrine :: Spurgeon, A.W.Pink on Sabbath

Spurgeon, A.W.Pink on Sabbath - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/11 8:54

Greetings,

There has been a little discussion on the issue of 'Sabbath keeping' on the board. One or two people stood up for the remembering of the 4th commandment, while others opposed it, even hinting that one might be 'fallen from grace' to engage in Sabbath keeping.

quote from the thread on the 'Sabbath':

...."Do you not understand that Jesus came to fulfil the Law? He did not come to fulfill man's petty interpretations of the Law - or even the limited, temporary version given through Moses; He fulfilled the utter fulness of it - which is far, far beyond keeping mere rules. That includes the Sabbath...

Jay, either you have a dishonest agenda of your own, (dishonest in the sense of having no intention of understanding or being convinced of the truth) or you still have the veil over the heart, as did the Jews of Paul's day who did not yet believe in Jesus.

2Corinthians 3, and the beginning of chapter 4, speaks of this. This passage also speaks of the doing away of the Law of Moses, in exchange for a greater Law. There are other scriptures - many - but it's getting late and I've had a hard day)..

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I'm not accusing you of being stupid, but, unless you are deliberately avoiding truth for your own ends, there has to be some kind of blindness there!"....end quote.

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While praying for revival, let us consider these things, dear ones.

Sharon

Re: Spurgeon, A.W.Pink on Sabbath - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/11 8:58

Another quick quote from A.W.Pink:

But some may ask, "Has not the Law been fully abrogated by the coming of Christ into the world? Would you bring us under that heavy yoke of bondage which none has ever been able to bear? Does not the New Testament expressly declare that we are not under the Law, but under Grace; that Christ was made under the Law to free His people therefrom? Is not an attempt to overawe men's conscience by the authority of the Decalogue (ten commandments) a legalistic imposition, altogether at variance with that Christian liberty which the Savior has brought in by His obedience unto death?" We answer thus: So far from the Law being abolished by the coming of Christ into this world, He Himself emphatically stated, "Think not that I am come to destroy the Law or the Prophets (the enforcers thereof): I am come not to destroy, but to fulfill. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in nowise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled" (Matthew 5:17, 18). True, the Christian is not under the Law as a Covenant of Works nor as a ministration of condemnation, but he is under it as a rule of life and a means of sanctification." (A.W. Pink - The Ten Commandments)

In the grace of God, through our Messiah,
Sharon

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 9:52

Just an observation here... but why don't people on here argue their points using scripture anymore? Everyone quotes Spurgeon, Pink, Pratney... etc... as tho their words were God breathed.

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This is the same type of mentality that got me caught up in the Charismatic/WOF movement when I was first saved. I listened to men's opinions about the Bible instead of studying to show myself approved. But then... I was newly saved and very immature in the faith.

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Re: sabbath sermons - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/11 11:15

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Dear KrispyKritter,

This site "Sermon Index" has 15 253 sermons available for reading and listening to. While I prefer to always use Scripture, many people appear to benefit from the insights others have felt to express.

The quotes from Spurgeon and Pink (men whose works have been highlighted on Sermon Index), which I used, have strong biblical references in them, without which I would not have used their quotes.

I agree with you that the 'mentality' of saint and sage veneration can be dangerous.

Thanks for your input
Sharon :-)

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 11:31

But if you're going to come here and begin a discussion about following the law of the Sabbath, then you should do so with much scriptural backing. I have no problem discussing what men have said about this or that (reference the recent discussions about Calvinism... which is ALL about man's opinions since Calvinism is not scriptural at all)... but I believe you have an agenda, which is to convince us all that we need to observe the Sabbath. When doing so, you should have more than "Charles Spurgeon said....".

That's all I'm saying.

Do you keep the Sabbath? If so... which one? Saturday? Sunday? Do you allow for other believers to keep one day holy, and yet another believe to keep another day holy... as Paul did?

I'm not against a day of rest, and making that day a special day during the week in which you dedicate it totally to the Lord. My issue is when people make a law out of which day, which time of day, what you should or shouldn't do...

The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.

Krispy

Re: Spurgeon, A.W.Pink on Sabbath - posted by Isaiah64, on: 2008/2/11 11:56

I find it funny that any "sabbath-keeper" would quote Spurgeon and Pink to support their beliefs, since neither of these men observed the Sabbath from Friday evening to Saturday evening. From the apostles to all historic Christianity, the day of fellowship and "rest" has always been the first day of the week, Sunday.

I have found (<http://www.exadventist.com/Home/Sabbath/tabid/53/Default.aspx>) this page to be a great resource, you might want to look into it.

Re: Spurgeon, A.W.Pink on Sabbath, on: 2008/2/11 12:10

wildbranch/Sharon, why would you take that Sister's post and bring it here to display and answer, when she gave Scriptures that you left out of her post.

Spurgeon, Pink, and the poster whose post you partially quoted also believe in The Deity of Christ - you don't.

I'm sorry that I do see that as a main factor in ALL things - for "No other foundation can be laid, But Christ" ... anything that you try to build unto a 'different' foundation will not stand before HIM - The Alpha and The Omega, the First and The Last.

How can you fault the poster you've quoted ?

Re: an answer - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/11 13:05

HeReigns,

Are you castigating me for quoting from a fellow-posters comments and then addressing that portion? I see that done over and over again on the message board, and yet you feel to address me.

As to the deity issue- Do you not recall that the moderators requested that the subject be closed? Why are you constantly baiting me to enter into the debate again? You have in the past judged and condemned me, and now you are again trying to convene a 'pre-judgement seat' here. Yeshua Messiah will be my judge, and I trust in His merciful and righteous judgement, thank you.

I feel that I am in good company with the Apostle Peter when asked by Yeshua who He was, when I too declare: "**You are the Anointed One, the Son of the living God**". Yeshua said that Peter is blessed, for His Father in Heaven had revealed that knowledge to Peter, and upon it, Yeshua would build his church.

To further support my belief in who Jesus/Yeshua is, I will again use Scripture as my creed. Here is a re-post.

Matt 16: 15-17 "He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jona! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.

John 17: 3 "And this is eternal life, that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent".

Luke 1: 32-33 "He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there will be no end."

1 Tim 2: 5-6a: "For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all"

1 Cor 8: 5-6: "For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth -- as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords" -- yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist."

Acts 4: 10-12: "be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by him this man is standing before you well. This is the stone which was rejected by you builders, but which has become the head of the corner. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Acts 5: 30-31: " But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Acts 7: 55-56: "But he (Stephen), full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God; and he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing at the right hand of God."

Heb 7:21-22 "...The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind, 'Thou art a priest for ever.'" This makes Jesus the surety of a better covenant. The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens.

Rev 3:14 "The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God's creation'

Rom 1 3-4 "the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and designated Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord.

If you wish to continue addressing me on this subject, in a personal way, HeReigns, feel free to contact me via my e-mail. I will be more than happy to address all your concerns.

Peace to you,

In the name Yeshua, 'the faithful and true Witness, the beginning of the creation of God' (Revelation 3:14)

Sharon

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 13:17

Castigate - no. Sincere heart felt concern for one who is a member - yes.

I feel we should be concerned for each other. I'm into "each othering" as Chip Brogden and those teach. We should care. To care is not 'bating'. I posted Scriptures for your consideration because I still do feel that it is important to our souls to see Him rightly.

That was it and always has been.

Only The Word of God - both Christ Himself and His Word can "judge and condemn" - it is not something I can do.

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 14:50

Just a little FYI here. A Messianic Jew is not just Jewish believers, but a system of beliefs, representing both Jew and Gentile Believers.

Although I am a Born-Again Jew, I consider myself a COMPLETED Jew, because I am COMPLETE in Christ.

There are many things this Messianic System believes, and many you may be surprised. Some do not believe in the Deity of Jesus Christ.

Many do not believe in the complete Atonement at the Cross, but believe that won't be fulfilled until Jesus returns to earth. Wrong Answer! And because of these INCOMPLETE and inconsistencies we have the sabbath-keepers.

"Messianic Judaism" is the term used to define a system of belief and practice embraced by Jewish and non-Jewish people who believe in Messiah Yeshua (Jesus). Messianic Jews maintain a lifestyle and form of worship that identifies them with Jewish customs and traditions while believing that Yeshua (Jesus) of Nazareth is the promised Messiah of the Jewish Scriptures.

Messianic Judaism is part of the universal Body of Messiah, but Messianic believers claim the right to express themselves in a way that identifies with Jewish heritage and with the original Jewish context of belief in Yeshua.

However, reading Galatians, no such practices are taught by Paul.

Love in Christ

Katy

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 15:40

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Hi Sharon

Who exactly do you think is against the keeping of the 4th commandment? I'm all *for* it personally!

To say that someone who advocates keeping the *essential meaning* of the 4th commandment is against that commandment is as ridiculous as saying that *Jesus* opposed the Laws against murder or adultery, when He said that anyone who thinks or desires to commit the sin has already done it in his heart!

Keeping the true Sabbath is - as I said - far, far more (NOT LESS!) than keeping one day in seven.

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Yes, that's correct, as far as it goes - except that the Old Testament Sabbaths (as someone pointed out in the other thread) were more than one day in seven. And of course, what Spurgeon would have called the Sabbath was Sunday, not Saturday, so not strictly the Sabbath at all.

Quoting from a *children's* catechism seems a little dishonest though. One wouldn't attempt to explain the subject any further to a child (ie in the light of the New Covenant).

For one thing, children need clear rules and boundaries, so any further explanation would only confuse. And if the child

didn't yet know the Lord he wouldn't be *able* to keep the Sabbath as it should be kept anyway - any more than an unsaved adult!

Maybe someone, who knows more of Spurgeon's writings than I do, can find out where he writes of the meaning behind the Sabbath law? I can't imagine such a great preacher could be ignorant of it.

As Paul said:

Galatians 3:23f

23 But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.

24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

25 But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

Also in Jeremiah 31 it speaks of the *law written on the heart*, rather than on tablets of stone.

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In what way are these quotes connected with the subject of this thread?

I certainly get the impression you are in support of failing to keep "the whole counsel of God" through your extremely limited view on the meaning of the Sabbath.

But presumably the above quotes are *not* meant to confess this!

So what do you mean?

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-----they select certain parts of Scripture, where their own particular views are taught, and pass by other aspects of God's truth.

This certainly seems to apply to your understanding of the Sabbath.

No doubt we all do this, however hard we try not to, but at least some of us are willing to face that possibility. For example, the danger of doing that is the main reason I'm not a Calvinist, or an Arminian, and (while having opinions on the matter) don't commit myself to theories on the exact scenario of "the Last Days".

Can't you even consider the *possibility* that there is more to the Sabbath than merely keeping one day in seven as a rest day? It certainly seems as if you, and some others here, are so locked into this aspect that you can't see anything else. ...Even to the extent of imagining that others of us oppose the 4th commandment because we speak of the wider, spiritual truth of it!

in Him

Jeannette

Re: - posted by Miccah (), on: 2008/2/11 16:59

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Krispy

Thank you for bringing this up Krispy. I was going to respond about this point specifically but wanted to bring it to the Lord first. Your post helped to confirm what I was thinking as well.

If someone does not believe in Christ's deity, what can we learn from them? Seriously? All that can be learned is something that is not of God. Which I want no part of anyone that is trying to teach me that Christ is not who He is.

Thanks for the confirmation again.

Re: the judgement - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/11 17:07

Krispy Kritter: quote:
"Thats important for me to know when discussing anything with you because if we dont have Christ's diety in common... we have nothing in common... and therefore nothing to discuss"

I am sorry that you feel that way KrispKritter.:-)

However, I rest assured in the knowledge that **I stand accepted by the Most High God through the wonderful and glorious accomplishment of Yeshua, the Anointed One, the Son of the living God, and you will have to take up your case against me, with Him.**

I, however, feel confident because of His mercy and grace, and because of my High Priest and Advocate, Yeshua Ha Mashiach, to approach the day of judgement with **every hope** of being rewarded with eternal life. Thank you.

2 Corinthians 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

Acts 17:31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

Revelation 20:12-15 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. **And the dead were judged according to their works**, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one **according to his works**. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

1 Tim 2:5*: "For there is **one God**, and there is **one mediator** between God and men, the **man Christ Jesus**, who gave himself as a ransom for all".

In the name of the Mediator, the man, Christ Jesus,
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Sharon

Now who's being personal?

Actually, Sharon I think Annie (HE_Reigns) was trying to "defend" me, because of the way she (rightly or wrongly) felt you dealt with my post!

It's the old mother sheep instinct (I have it too), concern for the lambs who are under attack or might be caused to stumble...

Your post didn't bother me in that way, although I did get frustrated because you apparently won't even *try* to consider or understand what I was saying!

...Dear Annie, I'm a grown up lamb now, and don't really need you to rush to my defence (at least I think that was what you were doing) ;-)

Sharon, when you post your own agendas on this forum you can expect to be opposed, because you clearly don't want a discussion, just to push your own false teachings onto others.

Some of the things I *wanted* to say to you were probably stronger than anything Annie wrote. But for the Lord's sake, and for the sake of those reading this, and for *your* sake...

Blessings

Jeannette

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 17:32

Quote:
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OK, you don't feel your forgiveness of sin was complete the moment you received Jesus Christ?

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There are many cults and sects calling themselves Messianic this or that using this language.

Sharon, who do you say Jesus Christ is? You replied back to Krispy with:

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Sharon, many, or most, of us on SI *already have* eternal life. Don't you? Haven't you ever received Him?

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I agree. Merely knowing a name and thinking that gives a right to anything is more akin to witchcraft (ie knowing the name of a deity or demon in order to be able to control it - or perhaps to impress in this case?) Anyone can say the Name of Jesus or Yeshua or whoever, but having a real living relationship with Him, and operating in His authority is something different.

Remember the sons of Sceva in Acts?

If you are a fluent Hebrew speaker you would naturally use Hebrew terms when speaking with other Hebrew speakers. Even if you were Jewish by descent, (like Katy) but not a Hebrew speaker, it would still be an affectation.

Quote:
-----Sharon, who do you say Jesus Christ is?..

Sharon, Even "doubting" Thomas called Jesus, "My Lord and my God!" If you can't do so there is something very deep
y wrong with your faith.

If you can't accept even basic truths where *are* you going to be on the day of Judgement?

This is said out of concern, not to condemn.

Wake up! Before it's too late.

Jeannette

Re: 1 Tim 2:5 - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/11 18:26

Quote:

Miccah wrote:

Quote:

-----In the name of the Mediator, the man, Christ Jesus,

Sharon

Are you saying that Jesus is only a man, mediating for God?

Miccah, just quoting Scripture there (from Paul)

1 Tim. 5:5+6:

"For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all"

Is that ok?

:-)

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 18:55

Katy-did,

Wildbranch said :

Quote. I, however, feel confident because of His mercy and grace, and because of my High Priest and Advocate, Yeshua Ha Maschiach, to approach the day of judgement with every hope of being rewarded with eternal life. Thank you. Unquote.

This sounds like a wonderful testimony and quite scriptural. Why would you want to attack this ? You are correct in saying this sounds very HARSH.

Your use of the terms "cults and sects" sounds rude and unnecessary.

Katy-did, you said:

Quote: Is your Yeshua not God? You call Him *The Atoned one*. That's rather new and different. Is He the atoned one, or the One who has atoned? Unquote.

On reading Wildbranch's post I don't see 'atoned' One, but rather 'Anointed' One. You know that there is a very distinct difference between 'atoned' and 'anointed' no doubt? You should probably get back to her on this, because if you have confused me, I can only imagine her horror and amazement. :-)

LOL ... i'd be laughing if this wasn't such a sad testimony and poor witness to someone who seems to be sincerely seeking.

Shalom,

Stephen

"O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemers' praise"

Re: Void of the Gospel ?? - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/11 19:26

Katy-did said:.....

Sharon, why all the pretentiousness with this Yeshua Ha Maschiachstuff? do you think it gives you more power or authority or something ? I'm not impressed by it, and never was!!!! Sounds Harsh Huh! But I can see through all the pretentiousness a *void* of the true **Gospel**. No matter how many names you know God by....

That's your opinion Katy-did.

As for me ... I know in Whom I have believed.

Thankyou!

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 19:31

Jesus Christ is Lord God Almighty

1 Corinthians 12:3

Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

Acts 17:27-29

27That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:

28For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his off spring.

29Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or s tone, graven by art and man's device.

Colossians 3

1If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

2Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

3For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

4When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

13Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

14In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

15Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

16For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

17And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

18And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.

19For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;

20And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

21And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled
22In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreprouable in his sight:
23If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

Strider100, First of all, welcome to SI. I see you are new here.

And Yes, I apologize, Sharon did say Jesus is the anointed one....yet denies the Deity Of Jesus Christ, so how can this * anointed one* atone for anyone's sin?

If she see's him only as a man, and doesn't believe she is forgiven of sin, but has to wait until judgment day to see if " HER WORKS?" are good enough????? Hummmmmm! Doesn't sound like much of a testimony to me at all.

Edited:

Has anyone told you, you are a New Creation in Christ...no longer Jew or Gentile?

So to call oneself a Messianic Jew I find rather odd. Even Jews who deny Jesus Christ as the son of God call themselves Messianic Jews, because they are STILL waiting for the Messiah, rejecting Jesus Christ as the Messiah. and many Messianic Jews...real Jews, who believe as Sharon does, that Jesus is not God, still practice the Law, don't believe in the Complete Atonement, laid right up at the alter in Heaven itself.

So, much like the Catholics, you do not believe in the **Finished work of Christ** either.?????

So, we still have "ISSUES" here.

Sharon has been with us a while and much of this conversation goes back to other threads.

She and I have had several conversations, and she knows where I stand on these issues of her wanting to be a Jew rather than a *Christian*

The Disciples...(((followers of Jesus Christ))) were first called *Christians*...followers of CHRIST, not Messianic Jews.

Abel, Job, Enoch, Noah etc, were not Messianic Jew either, but put their faith in the coming redeemer.. They also knew whom they believed.

Love in Christ
Katy

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 19:57

Quote:

wildbranch wrote:

...As for me ... I know in Whom I have believed.

But do you know Who He is?

And if not, how can you really know Him?

Jeannette

Re: witchcraft?? - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/11 20:14

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Or are you simply degrading and attacking my character ?

Sharon

Re: more accusations?? - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/11 20:17

Katy-did accused:

*"So, much like the Catholics, you do not believe in the **Finished work of Christ**.*

*She and I have had several conversations, and she knows where I stand on these issues of her wanting to be a Jew rather than a *Christian**"*

Katy-did, I am wondering when you will stop accusing me of things?

For the record, Katy-did: I am not 'much like the Catholics' at all, I have NEVER said to you or anyone else that I want to be a JEW, and I do believe in the "Finished work of Christ".

I am dumb-founded by the list of accusations, 'witchcraft (from LittleGift), pretentiousness, like a Catholic, wanna be a Jew, void of the Gospel, not trusting in the finished work of Christ'....

Katy-did - *really??*

Sharon

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 20:48

Sharon, So sorry you find yourself dumbfounded, but by your own admitting, you do not believe in the Deity of Jesus Christ. You have been accused of this over and over, and have said NOTHING in your defense here. Why? Without this absolute TRUTH everything you say is suspect.

Can you say...Jesus Christ is LORD?

Do you believe you have been sanctified once and for all through the Body of Christ? Hebrews 10.

And If you are waiting until Judgment day to see if perchance you will be given eternal life...YOU DO NOT believe in the Finished work of Christ.

These accusations are by your own testimony.

Are you Born Again. Have you identified with Jesus Christ in death and resurrection Life? Has the Spirit of the Life of Jesus Christ SET YOU FREE from the Law of Sin and Death?...His Risen Life.....the Jesus we no longer see after the flesh, but the Glorified Christ sitting at the Right hand of the Father? Have you been raised up together with Him, seated with Him in Heavenly Places? Are you COMPLETE in Him?

Do you live by Grace or the Law.

Paul said.. I am crucified with ChristÂ....no longer I but Christ in me, and the life that I now live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the only begotten son who loved me and gave Himself for meÂ...I DO NOT MAKE VOID THE GRACE OF GOD, for if RIGHTEOUSNESS come by KEEPING THE LAW, Christ died in vain.

What does Galatians 2:20&21 mean to you.

Do you KNOW Jesus Christ?

Sharon, no one is trying to be mean here, however to preach ANOTHER JESUS will offend many believers here. If your Jesus isn't God, you are preaching another Jesus.

Now er could all take Krispy's lead, and not talk to you at all, and when you carry on because you are confronted, I will most definitely follow suit!

Love in Christ
Katy

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 21:04

Quote:

-----Katy-did wrote:

If your Jesus isn't God, you are preaching another Jesus.

That is the sad truth.

Re: Spurgeon, A.W.Pink on Sabbath, on: 2008/2/11 23:25

Wildbranch,

This topic seems to have gone off topic. I've just read yr first post on Spurgeon. Very interesting and telling point he makes.

Quote "...the reason why people become Hyper-Calvinists and Antinomians, is because some, who profess to be Calvinists, often keep back part of the truth, and do not, as Paul did, "declare all the counsel of God"; they select certain parts of Scripture, where their own particular views are taught, and pass by other aspects of God's truth. Such preachers as John Newton, and in later times, your own Christmas Evans, were men who preached the whole truth of God; they kept back nothing that God has revealed; and, as the result of their preaching, Antinomianism could not find a foot-hold anywhere." (Charles Spurgeon, Gospel of Sovereign Grace). Unquote.

It seems that Spurgeon understood the saving grace of God without rejecting the 'other aspects', as he puts it, of God's word. Even a preliminary reading of the works of John Newton and many other soldiers such as Spurgeon and Wesley will show that we have gone offtrack into rabid antinomianism.

Clearly we have something to learn here.

I am very encouraged by the fortitude you seem to exhibit in the face of persecution. Shalom

Stephen

Re:, on: 2008/2/11 23:33

2Co 11:4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.

Re: - posted by Miccah (), on: 2008/2/12 0:26

wildbranch wrote:

Quote:

As for me ... I know in Whom I have believed.

Thankyou!

The Lord didn't said "you never new Me", He says "I never knew you".

Matthew 7:15-20 (NKJV)

“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thornbushes or figs from thistles? Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Therefore by their fruits you will know them.

This is bad fruit.

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 0:49

Have you noticed the signature scripture on someone?

"Do we then abolish the Torah by this faith? By no means, rather we uphold the Torah." (Rom 3:30-31)

This is not what the Scriptures say.

Romans : simply state the SINNER establishes the law in it's right use and honor by confessing his guilt and just condemnation. Christ on the sinners behalf, establishes the Law by obediently keeping it's precepts, who endured it's penalty of death FOR US! He took our wrath and sin upon Himself. This is why Jesus went to the Cross to begin with.....The LAW and the penalty of breaking the law was not done away....but it was done away IN CHRIST. He fulfilled the penalty of the Law...the Law of sin and death. The Law SHOWS us our SIN. and the wages of Sin is DEATH. Jesus DIED in our place, that we may have life THROUGH HIM.

This IS the Gospel!!!

Love in Christ
Katy

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 3:50

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Sharon

I was making a statement of *fact*, i.e. "Merely knowing a name and thinking that gives a right to anything is more akin to witchcraft (ie knowing the name of a deity or demon in order to be able to control it".

We have a saying in the UK, "If the cap fits - wear it"

If the cap fits is your problem, not mine.

Jeannette

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 8:01

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Krispy

Re: answer for Miccah - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/12 10:59

Miccah wrote:

Quote:

-----In the name of the Mediator, the man, Christ Jesus,

Sharon

Are you saying that Jesus is only a man, mediating for God?

Miccah, just quoting Scripture there (from Paul)

1 Tim. 5:5+6:

"For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all"

Is that ok?

:-)

MICCAH - you asked a question and I was not sure if you were satisfied with my reply?

In the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, my Saviour

Sharon

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 12:14

If anyone gets a moment, this is a great article.

It's long, but please read to the end. You'll be glad you did.

<http://mysite.verizon.net/trueapologetics/messianicmove.html>

Katy

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 13:12

If perchance you did read this article, please keep in mind these scriptures.

Jude 1:18-20

18How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.

19These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit.

20But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

Romans 9:

6Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel:

7Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called.

8That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.

Philippians 3

1Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed is not grievous, but for you it is safe.

2Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision.

3For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

4Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more:

5Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee;

6Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless.

7But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.

8Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ,

9And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:

10That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;

11If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

12Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.

13Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,

14I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

15Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you.

16Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing.

17Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample.

18(For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ:

19Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.)

20For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

21Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

Ephesians 4:

4There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

5One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

6One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

To the Church...the Body of Christ...the NEW Creatures In Christ Jesus.

Katy

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 14:43

Thank you Katy, I've downloaded the article and copied it into Word to print out and maybe read away from the computer. At first glance it seems an excellent site.

I have come across folk who are trying to be "more Jewish than the Jews", but they were otherwise fairly orthodox in their beliefs. I had no idea there were such extreme and off the wall groupings as well.

I also liked your Jewish joke on the other thread :lol:! I think Jewish humour may be similar to Irish and Welsh humour - we poke fun at ourselves a lot of the time too!

Maybe I'll start a thread on the subject of national humour - we probably need a bit of comic relief!

Blessings

Jeannette

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 15:00

Quote:

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Thanks Jeannette,

Actually in reference to your quote here....the ONLY True test that qualifies of a true blue blooded Jew is if your Mother puts you on a guilt trip and keeps you there 24/7!!! :-P

I love your idea.

Katy

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 15:03

Quote:

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Krispy

Thank you for this Krispy. That's putting, in a polite way, the basic issue.

We argue and discuss many things here, and many of us have strong views on certain aspects of Bible interpretation, and are unwilling to budge from them.

**We may even think that those of other views are heretics!

But that is a world away from deliberately bringing up topics as a means of *forcing* one's own views on others. Especially when such views are basically cultic in nature, not Christian.

One can tell if they are "cultic" by a person's unwillingness and/or inability to even *consider* in the light of Scripture, what others bring up that doesn't agree with the fixed obsession of the cult member.

Through this forum, and other Internet dialogues, I have certainly been caused to look again at some doctrines I thought I understood as fully as possible, and had settled in my mind about. Probably others have found the same.

We may end up of the same basic opinion as before, even confirmed in it; but at least we have had the courage and honesty to examine other possible interpretations and understandings.

Being unwilling or unable to do this, even when others are gracious in their disagreement (as Krispy has been here (he will probably tell you he isn't always! ;-)) shows what spirit such a person is of.

Blessings

Jeannette

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 15:15

Sharon...

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word **was** God.

John 1:10 He was in the world, **and the world was made by him**, and the world knew him not.

Matthew 1:23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, **God with us**.

Isaiah 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name **Emmanuel**. (which in Matthew it's interpreted **God with us**)

John 8:58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, **I AM**.

The prophet Isaiah called Jesus God. The writers of the gospels called Jesus God. And then Jesus used the very name of God to describe Himself. Either Jesus is God, or the Bible (including the OT) is junk, not worth the paper it's printed on... and Jesus pulled off the great hoax in the history of the planet.

No, sister, Jesus is God...

Krispy

Re: - posted by broclint (), on: 2008/2/12 15:50

Well said Krispy.

The quote from C. S. Lewis comes to mind: "Lord, Lunatic, or Devil". First message to the Jews who took part in the crucifixion by Peter was defining who this was that they had crucified "both Lord and Christ", and that knowledge made them respond with "what shall we do".

If Jesus Christ is not the "I am", and if He had not said so, there would have been no crucifixion in the first place, and we could dispense with all the writings of John in the New Testament.

But thank God for the day when His glory will be revealed and every eye shall see Him and every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess...

Clint

Re: witchcraft - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/12 15:56

wildbranch wrote:

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Jeannette

Acts 19: 13-17 "Then some of the itinerant Jewish exorcists undertook to pronounce the name of the Master Yeshua over those who had evil spirits, saying, "I adjure you by the Yeshua whom Paul preaches." Seven sons of a Jewish high priest named Sceva were doing this. But the evil spirit answered them, "Yeshua I know, and Paul I know; but who are you?" And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, mastered all of them, and overpowered them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded. And this became known to all residents of Ephesus, both Jews and Greeks; and fear fell upon them all; and the name of the Master Yeshua was extolled."

The evil spirit was angered by this use of the name of Yeshua. It recognised and knew the name, but basically mocked those who thought to use the name unlawfully. It overpowered them in the end.

My use of the phrase "Yeshua Ha Maschiach" is done specifically to state exactly Whom I speak of. quote: *"I, however, feel confident because of His mercy and grace, and because of my High Priest and Advocate, Yeshua Ha Maschiach, to approach the day of judgement with every hope of being rewarded with eternal life. Thank you."*...

It was used to clearly show whom my High Priest, Mediator, and Advocate is. This in the light of the many **Inquisitorial** questions and accusations which were being leveled at me, specifically with regard to 'my salvation'. It appears that *many here have decided for themselves that I am not 'saved' and feel free to judge me and rendered the verdict in this public forum, without even knowing me.* After the judgement was made, some decided to take KrispKritter's lead and no longer speak with me. That is fine, I respect their decision. What I *do not respect*, however, are **spurious accusations** of witchcraft and pretentiousness after I used the Hebrew name of the Messiah, just as His early followers would have. So mehow, that stirred something, and, *for the record, the 'cap does not fit'.* Thank you.

Sharon

Re: not surprised - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/12 15:57

KrispKritter quote:

Sharon... you're being a bit over sensitive, aren't you? You come to this forum (which we're glad to have you here!) knowing full well you do not believe as we believe... and then are surprised when your theology and ideas are met with resistance?

No. Not surprised at resistance - just the poor display of those who are claiming to live under a 'higher law'. But then again, after reading the long, bloody account of how millions have fared in the hands of 'loving Christians', - actually not surprised.

Sharon

:-)

Re: 'cultic'?? - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/12 15:59

LittleGift quote: *Especially when such views are basically cultic in nature, not Christian.....*

I quite emphatically stated Whom I believe Jesus Christ my Lord to be.

Or is the 'cultic' judgement rendered because I agree with the Lord Jesus Christ when He said:

Matt 5: 15-19: **Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them but to fulfil them. For truly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ???**

Let me repost for clarification...

Please let me know which one of the following verses deem me as 'cultic'. Also, please identify in Scripture where someone believing these things is interrogated and judged as cultic for believing them. Not ONCE in Scripture was anything more required or taught. Read each verse carefully, and see if you can say Amen to them, as I do!

Matt 16: 15-17 "He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, **"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."** And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jona! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.

John 17: 3 "And this is eternal life, that they know **thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent**".

Luke 1: 32-33 "He will be great, and will be called the **Son of the Most High**; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there will be no end."

1 Tim 2: 5-6a: "For there is **one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus**, who gave himself as a ransom for all"

1 Cor 8: 5-6: "For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth -- as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords" -- yet **for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ**, through whom are all things and through whom we exist."

Acts 4: 10-12: "be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by **the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth**, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by him this man is standing before you well. This is the stone which was rejected by you builders, but which has become the head of the corner. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Acts 5: 30-31: " But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. The **God of our fathers raised Jesus** whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. **God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior**, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the **Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.**"

Acts 7: 55-56: "But he (Stephen), full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and **Jesus standing at the right hand of God**; and he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the **Son of man standing at the right hand of God.**"

Heb 7:21 "...The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind, **`Thou art a priest for ever.'**" .

Rev 3:14 "The words of the **Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God's creation'**

Rom 1 3-4 "the gospel concerning his **Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and designated Son of God** in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, **Jesus Christ our Lord.**

LittleGift. Which of the above verses lend you to pass judgement and use terms such a 'cultic' and 'witchcraft', when referring to my beliefs? Also, where in the Scriptures does anyone insist on any other statement of belief ? Please clearly outline your case against me, being very sure that when you take the case to the Most High God, He will confirm your judgement.

Thank you.
Trusting in my Saviour, Jesus Christ the Lord,
Sharon

Re: hebrew terms - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/12 16:00

Use of the terms 'Yeshua, Shalom and Torah'

I have been reflecting on the fact that some have stated their opposition to (and condemnation of) the use of those terms on this Message Board.

I participate in several discussion groups and forums, and these terms are well used and accepted. I am also studying Hebrew. Many have come to see that the expression of certain Biblical concepts and ideas are best expressed in the richness of the original Hebrew.

Let us take these three terms as examples:

1. Yeshua. More properly rendered in the older format as Yehoshua, meaning 'God will save'. Joshua would be the correct English translation.
2. Torah. The first five books of the Hebrew Scriptures. The prime root of the word, "torah," is "yarah" (Yarah means "to shoot, fire; to throw; to pour - i.e. to rain." It is used "to teach, instruct, direct, show, decide, enjoin, command.").
3. Shalom. Peace, well-being, Hello, good-bye.

Having said that, I can appreciate how these terms would be foreign to most people, and apologise for not thinking of that. :-) I do not quite understand the more outrageous objections, however. But.....as the saying goes "When in Rome....."

Thanks, and sorry for the offense,
Sharon

edit* corrected spelling mistake on 'outrageous'

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All I can tell you is... they were not Christians.

Kinda like the lovers of John Calvin, the oppressor of Geneva. He could do no wrong in the eyes of some on this forum... yet he was nothing more than a brutal tyrant... in the name of Jesus, of course.

Krispy

Re: - posted by ChrisJD (), on: 2008/2/12 16:24

Hi everyone,

Sharon,

You said here in this topic,

"This in the light of the many Inquisitorial questions and accusations which were being leveled at me, specifically with regard to 'my salvation'. It appears that many here have decided for themselves that I am not 'saved' and feel free to judge me and rendered the verdict in this public forum, without even knowing me."

In your first post in the thread titled "the ancient paths" which you started, you wrote,

"Peter warns us not to be carried away by the error of the lawless. He takes care to warn us that the ignorant and unstable twist to their own destruction the writings of Paul, and that we should be forewarned not to be carried away with the error of such lawless ones, those who oppose the eternal Torah of God, upheld throughout the scriptures, but cast aside by the man of lawlessness.

More to come,"

Re: tyrant - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/12 16:35

Krispy quote: *Kinda like the lovers of John Calvin, the oppressor of Geneva. He could do no wrong in the eyes of some on this forum... yet he was nothing more than a brutal tyrant... in the name of Jesus, of course...*

Agreed.

One example *of John Calvin's actions: **If one visited the town of Geneva on the 27th of October 1553, one would have been witness of that tragic scene which William Osler describes so poignantly and dramatically:**

....In reply to the exhortation of the clergyman for a specific confession of faith, there was the cry, 'Misericordia, misericordia! Jesu, thou Son of the eternal God, have compassion upon me!' Bound to the stake by the iron chains, with a chaplet of straw and green twigs covered with sulphur on his head, with long dark face, it is said that he looked like the Christ in whose name he was bound. Around his waist were tied a large bundle of manuscript and a thick octavo printed book. The torch was applied, and as the flames spread to the straw and sulphur and flashed in his eyes, there was a piercing cry that struck terror into the hearts of the bystanders. The faggots were green, the burning was slow, and it was long before in a last agony he cried again, 'Jesu, thou Son of the eternal God, have mercy on me!' Thus died in his forty-fourth year, Michael Servetus Villanovanus, physician, physiologist, and heretic....

Michael's crime: Not a Trinitarian, and did not believe in Infant Baptism.*

Thank God for separation of Church and State!

Sharon

*edit added phrase 'John Calvin's actions'
removed repeated phrase 'did not believe in'

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 16:40

What is the Office of Jesus Christ our High Priest ???

Quote:

-----My use of the phrase "Yeshua Ha Maschiach" is done specifically to state exactly Whom I speak of. quote: ..."I, however, feel confident because of His mercy and grace, and because of my High Priest and Advocate, Yeshua Ha Maschiach, to approach the day of judgement with every hope of being rewarded with eternal life. Thank you."...

It was used to clearly show whom my High Priest, Mediator, and Advocate is.

This is what one needs to KNOW ..

In the eighth chapter of Hebrews we see a contrast from the OLD Priesthood under the LAW(Old Covenant) to Jesus, the priest and mediator of the New Covenant, stating it is superior to the priesthood and mediator of the old. Also in Hebrews 8 is the contrast in the ministries of Jesus. As a priest, he is as high as the heavens. As a mediator, he is as close as our hearts. The ministry of Jesus is higher than any other, and it is lower than any other....the mediator between God and MAN, making the ministry of Jesus superior to all others because it is ****heavenly**** and it changes the ****heart****.

In Hebrews 7, the author presents Jesus Christ as a priest according to the order of Melchizedek, superior to the Levitical priests in Israel chiefly because He is eternal.

Hebrews 8 shifts to the ****heavenly**** aspect of the priesthood of Jesus, which enables a powerful ministry that is in effect here on earth, through the Power of the Holy Spirit indwelt in the believer. In verse 6, where the author of Hebrews says that Jesus has obtained "a more excellent ministry," in which he is a priest (8:1-6) and the mediator of a NEW Covenant (8:6-13). **In each case the ministry of Jesus New Covenant is shown to be superior to the Old Covenant.**

The old was by the flesh, the New is by the Spirit.

In the first seven chapters, Jesus is said to be the great high priest. In the last six chapters, He presents the New Covenant. Connecting this whole book together, Jesus is the HIGH PRIEST who mediates the New Covenant.

The New Covenant in His Blood...the BLOOD of the Everlasting Covenant...Hebrews 13:20 & 21.where HE is making you perfect in every good work to do His will:

Please read:

The High Priesthood

20Now 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,

21Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

How is Jesus High Priesthood working now in us on earth?

11But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

12Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.

13For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

14For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Love in Christ
Katy

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 16:49

Sharon, your recent tirade reminds me of the saying, "Attack is the best means of defence".

By claiming you are being unjustly judged or accused, you think to divert attention from the main focus of this thread.

We have been very patient with you for the most part, but everything you have said (and especially the manner of it) recently seems to *confirm* that you have no wish for real, honest discussion, only to push your own agenda.

Attempting to justify yourself by accusing others of attacking you is just a ploy to avoid facing the truth.

Jeannette

Re: tirade - posted by wildbranch, on: 2008/2/12 17:36

LittleGift quote: *Sharon, your recent tirade reminds me of the saying, "Attack is the best means of defence"*

Could you please explain and direct me to the 'tirade and attack'?

LittleGift quote: *you think to divert attention from the main focus of this thread.*

LittleGift,

I began this thread. I did not wish to divert attention away from the initial posts. Others did, however. Have you addressed the subject of this thread?

Katy-did said that I 'have not defended myself' You insist I am defending myself....???

I do not justify myself. There is One who does, however. Rom. 3:24, **"being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus"**.

Sharon

PS I await an answer from my previous post

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 18:26

Quote:

wildbranch wrote:

LittleGift quote: *Especially when such views are basically cultic in nature, not Christian.....*

I quite emphatically stated Whom I believe Jesus Christ my Lord to be....

...*Let me repost for clarification...*

Please let me know which one of the following verses deem me as 'cultic'. Also, please identify in Scripture where someone believing these things is interrogated and judged as cultic for believing them...

...LittleGift. Which of the above verses lend you to pass judgement and use terms such as 'cultic' and 'witchcraft', when referring to my beliefs? Also, where in the Scriptures does anyone insist on any other statement of belief? Please clearly outline your case against me, being very sure that when you take the case to the Most High God, He will confirm your judgement....

Sharon,

You seem to have conveniently forgotten what I actually said about the evidence that someone belongs to a cult, or cult-like body.

Let me remind you (my emphasis, below):

Quote:

-----One can tell if they are "cultic" by a person's **unwillingness and/or inability to even consider in the light of Scripture, what others bring up that doesn't agree with the fixed obsession** of the cult member.

Through this forum, and other Internet dialogues, I have certainly been caused to look again at some doctrines I thought I understood as fully as possible, and had settled in my mind about. Probably others have found the same.

We may end up of the same basic opinion as before, even confirmed in it; but at least we have had **the courage and honesty to examine other possible interpretations and understandings.**

Being unwilling or unable to do this, even when others are gracious in their disagreement as Krispy has been here (he will probably tell you he isn't always! ;-)) **shows what spirit such a person is of**

Instead of answering what I actually identified as being cult characteristics, you gave a list of Scriptures that you challenged me to deny!

Sharon, you have **cleverly sidestepped what I actually said**, and pretended that I was challenging Scripture. This is **a nother typical characteristic of a cult member** that I didn't think to mention, and further evidence of the truth that you do indeed belong to something that is cultic in nature.

The only other kind of people (as a group) who habitually sidestep and wriggle out of challenges and awkward questions like this (they, like you, are extremely good at it) are politicians!

Quote:

-----I quite emphatically stated Whom I believe Jesus Christ my Lord to be....

Anyone can make this claim, and sincerely believe it to be true. That doesn't mean it *is* true. Is there any evidence?

Sharon, if you feel yourself judged you only have yourself to blame. The more strongly you state that you believe in the Lord Jesus (or Yeshua, if you insist); the more you defend your relationship with Him; the more you complain about being persecuted (or whatever) the more obvious *you* make it that our fears for you are only too well-founded. (Yes, fears *FOR YOU*).

No one is condemning, only seeking to show you the truth before it is too late! Right doctrine is less important than the condition of a person's heart (for example, I wasn't sure about the deity of Christ when first saved), but *some* false doctrines can lead to disaster for the one who believes them. They are truly doctrines of demons, and the effect on many of those who embrace those teachings show that this is so. The manner and methods of JW's or Mormons seem very similar to yours, Sharon, that is the worrying thing.

Sharon, *for the sake of your own soul*, ask the Lord if your relationship with Him is as you suppose it to be. Never mind about us and what we think or say - ask HIM if the things that have been said here, that have offended you so much, have any basis. There is no need to fear if you will only go to Him, for He is merciful.

I've had to do that over many things, (though not over beliefs) since becoming a Christian, so am not asking anything I've not had to do myself.

If you are able to come to Him in sincerity and truth on this matter, He will not condemn nor cast you out, for He loves you far more than any of us possibly could. But if you keep on avoiding and wriggling out of this challenge you will never be free, and may in the end lose everything.

I have not judged you, you have judged yourself, in claiming to be justified.

As Katy said:

Quote:
-----Sharon, So sorry you find yourself dumbfounded, but by your own admitting, you do not believe in the Deity of Jesus Christ. You have been accused of this over and over, and have said NOTHING in your defense here. Why? Without this absolute TRUTH everything you say is suspect.

Can you say...Jesus Christ is LORD?

Do you believe you have been sanctified once and for all through the Body of Christ? Hebrews 10.

And If you are waiting until Judgment day to see if perchance you will be given eternal life...YOU DO NOT believe in the Finished work of Christ.

These accusations are by your own testimony....

Sadly that is abundantly true, and you are heaping up more and more evidence for this.

In His love (truly!)

Jeannette

Re:, on: 2008/2/12 18:33

Quote:
-----Wildbranch said:
Have you addressed the subject of this thread?

Yes, second post on page 2, after Krispy's.

I don't think you commented on it...

Jeannette

Re: - posted by Miccah (), on: 2008/2/12 22:45

wildbranch wrote:

Quote:
-----...Not a Trinitarian...

What is the definition of a Trinitarian?

What do you believe a Trinitarian to be?

Are Trinitarian's Christian's?

Considering the Trinitarian beliefs, what is your thoughts on the Trinitarian's beliefs?

Thanks

Re: - posted by Miccah (), on: 2008/2/13 13:25

HI Wildbranch,

Since I see that you are still on the boards, I was wondering if you could answer the below questions from my previous post.

Thank you.

wildbranch wrote:

Quote:

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What is the definition of a Trinitarian?

What do you believe a Trinitarian to be?

Are Trinitarian's Christian's?

Considering the Trinitarian beliefs, what is your thoughts on the Trinitarian's beliefs?

Thanks

Re: - posted by Nile (), on: 2008/2/14 9:19

Hey everyone, I don't know enough to debate this subject fully but I would like to make some comments.

1. The scriptures never explicitly say a person must believe Jesus is God to be saved. The best there is are inferences.
2. The scriptures never explicitly say that Jesus is God. Verses like Titus 2:13 are hotly debated on the correct translation (look up "granville sharp's rule"). Verses like "My Lord, my God" are not declarations that Jesus is God - that view must be inferred from the verses.
3. The apostles and disciples never explicitly teach the doctrine that Jesus is God. You will find no discourse on the divinity of Jesus and the importance of believing in this doctrine. If it is not worthy of a single paragraph in the whole of Paul's writings, why do people advocate it so strongly? (We see many paragraphs on who Jesus was, but simply no paragraphs on the fact that he was God.)
4. Everyone should realize that Sharon has studied these topics for some years now. Simply quoting John 1:1 or Titus 2:13 isn't going to rock her boat. You'll have to formulate your arguments much more precisely than that, and be ready to defend every point you make.
5. I think those who said they cannot learn anything from Sharon should strongly reconsider that statement. If nothing else

se you can learn how to respectfully, courteously, and intelligently discuss a topic (not to say that no one else is doing these things).

6. This topic was not about the deity of Jesus but on the keeping of the Sabbath (and the deeper issue of following the Law).

Matt

Re: - posted by LoveHim, on: 2008/2/14 12:46

Quote:
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brother nile, i must disagree with you on this. isaiah 9:6, john 1:1, john 20:28, acts 20:28, hebrews 1:8 and these are just the verses that call Jesus-God. that is not even beginning to show how Jesus is called the very names of God of the Old Testament; (ex. I AM, Alpha and Omega, Beginning and the End) to name just a few.

sorry, but i must disagree with you on that statement.

Quote:
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once again brother nile, i must disagree. just like with the above quotations, i have shown you that many times in the scripture, Jesus is shown to be divine. just like philippians 2:6, Jesus is said to be equal with God. brother nile, who is equal with God? only God himself. no one else can even be close to being called equal with God.

sorry brother, but i guess i just don't understand why you made these 2 statements. :-(

phil

Re:, on: 2008/2/14 13:22

Just asked a friend this question - thought it was time to get a new take on the whole thing.

Q: what is your understanding of the meaning of the Sabbath?

A: the Sabbath isn't a day it is a person " come unto me all you who labour and I will give you rest"

In the old testament it was a day but we live in a new day 24/7

WOW, YES!!!

Jeannette

Re: - posted by Lowly, on: 2008/2/14 13:38

Great Verses LoveHim

Colossians 1: 13-18 declares it powerfully!

"Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son;
In whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sin;

And here it is.....

Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature;

For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers; ALL THINGS WERE CREATED BY HIM AND FOR HIM
AND HE IS BEFORE ALL THINGS, AND BY HIM ALL THINGS CONSIST.

And just so you know it is talking about Christ Jesus.....

VERSE 18.

AND HE IS THE HEAD OF THE BODY, THE CHURCH; WHO IS THE BEGINNING, THE FIRSTBORN FROM THE DEAD; THAT IN ALL THINGS HE MIGHT HAVE THE PREEMINENCE."

Wow!

Niles,

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the WORD WAS GOD

John 1: 3 says the same thing that Colossians 1 states, listen with your ears to hear

"All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made."

Do you see it Niles? It is a glorious thing.

In His amazing love,

Lowly

Learn of Me for I am meek and lowly of heart.....

:-)

Re:, on: 2008/2/14 16:04

Nile, please, could we close this subject if it offends so many?

Re-read your last two threads if you must hear it all again, please. For the Love of Christ.

Here is the second of the two.

https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/newbb/viewtopic.php?topic_id=20396&forum=36#159777

Just to answer your first statement above only -

Joh 8:24 I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I Am, ye shall die in your sins.

John Wesley on Joh 8:24 - "If ye believe not that I AM - Here (as in Joh_8:58) our Lord claims the Divine name, I AM, Exo_3:14."

Vincent's Word Studies ~ "I am (εγω ειμι) the words are rather the solemn expression of His absolute divine being, as in Joh_8:58 : Â"If ye believe not that I am.Â"

See Deu_32:39; Isa_43:10; and compare Joh_8:28, Joh_8:58 of this chapter, and Joh_13:19."

A.T. Roberson ~ "The phrase egō eimi occurs three times here (Joh_8:24, Joh_8:28, Joh_8:58) and also in Joh_13:19"

We love you and are praying for your prayer requests.

Re:, on: 2008/2/14 21:51

Nile,

Just to comment on your excellent post :

1. The scriptures never explicitly say a person must believe Jesus is God to be saved. The best there is are inferences.

You are correct. Given that, it amazes me that some have been burned for this 'crime'.

2. The scriptures never explicitly say that Jesus is God. Verses like Titus 2:13 are hotly debated on the correct translation (look up "granville sharp's rule"). Verses like "My Lord, my God" are not declarations that Jesus is God - that view must be inferred from the verses.

Nile, again ... you are correct. Many of these verses have been doctored by the 'orthodox'. After many years of searching this subject out with the 'blinkers off', I have come to the conclusion that there is no evidence for the godman doctrine.

3. The apostles and disciples never explicitly teach the doctrine that Jesus is God. You will find no discourse on the divinity of Jesus and the importance of believing in this doctrine. If it is not worthy of a single paragraph in the whole of Paul's writings, why do people advocate it so strongly? (We see many paragraphs on who Jesus was, but simply no paragraphs on the fact that he was God.)

Excellent point Nile. It always amazes me that Paul, a Pharisee, who would have strongly believed in the Oneness of God would so casually have moved over to believing that God was 3 in 1 or 1 in 3. These Jewish people had for so long resisted the pagan godman, trinity myths, (to the point of giving their lives for it). You would think that Paul, in trying to convince them would have at least given a single paragraph in the scriptures to this!!! However, there is not a single mention that the SHEMA (God is ONE), has changed and the God is now three in one)... and yet Christianity has based its entire standing on this ... astounding.

4. Everyone should realize that Sharon has studied these topics for some years now. Simply quoting John 1:1 or Titus 2:13 isn't going to rock her boat. You'll have to formulate your arguments much more precisely than that, and be ready to defend every point you make.

Nile, I haven't been on the board for long. However, from what I've seen of Sharon's posts, I see one who has a lot of depth ... and sincerity to boot. Unlike some of the attack hounds I see knipping at her heels. (anyway, I guess she's gone now :-(. I trust these little 'attack poodles' (quote from her post) are happy now. In my opinion , it is our loss.)

5. I think those who said they cannot learn anything from Sharon should strongly reconsider that statement. If nothing else you can learn how to respectfully, courteously, and intelligently discuss a topic (not to say that no one else is doing these things).

I agree.

6. This topic was not about the deity of Jesus but on the keeping of the Sabbath (and the deeper issue of following the Law).

Re: - posted by Lowly, on: 2008/2/14 22:42

"Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers, 26Saying, Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive: 27For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them." Acts 28: 25-27 :-(

In His amazing love,
Lowly

Learn of Me for I am meek and lowly of heart.....

Re: - posted by Miccah (), on: 2008/2/15 0:30

Quote:
-----Everyone should realize that Sharon has studied these topics for some years now. Simply quoting John 1:1 or Titus 2:13 isn't going to rock her boat. You'll have to formulate your arguments much more precisely than that, and be ready to defend every point you make.

Actually, the burden of proof lies on those who wish to teach something that IS unscriptural, especially if they are professing to be a Christian. If someone professes to be a Christian, then it IS the Churches responsibility to point out errors and help to guide those in error to correction. If those in error do not take heed to sound doctrine and teaching, further measures WILL take place.

Titus 1:10-16 (NKJV)

For there are many insubordinate, both idle talkers **and deceivers**, especially those of the circumcision, **whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole households**, teaching things which they ought not, for the sake of dishonest gain. One of them, a prophet of their own, said, "Cretans are always liars, evil beasts, lazy gluttons." This testimony is true. **Therefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith, not giving heed to Jewish fables and commandments of men who turn from the truth.** To the pure all things are pure, but to those who are defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure; but even their mind and conscience are defiled. **They profess to know God, but in works they deny Him, being abominable, disobedient, and disqualified for every good work.**

Someone posted something like this before, but I am going to add to it.

If you do not believe that Jesus is who He said He was, you might as well throw out the entire NT, because He would never have been crucified in the first place. He was killed because He said that He was God, not because He didn't.

Re: - posted by LoveHim, on: 2008/2/15 9:26

dear brothers and sisters,

i thank God that the discussion has moved to the deity of Christ. this thread and the one that sister annie posted was meant to destroy our great Lord and Savior, but instead it has helped to open the multitude of scriptures that show His humanity and His deity. praise God.

ps. if anyone is gonna try to discredit the trinity or Jesus's deity, please address the multitude of scriptures posted in defense of this vital biblical doctrine.

phil

Re:, on: 2008/2/15 10:40

Quote:
-----Therefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith, not giving heed to Jewish fables and commandments of men who turn from the truth.

Thank You Miccah,

The main distinction of the first day is that on this day the Lord Jesus rose from the dead.

The word Sabbath implies a cessation of, God ceased His work of creation and rested on the Sabbath or 7th day.

Christ finished His work of redemption **It is finished** and rested on the Sabbath.

Christ truly perfected the law in His perfect sacrifice, His finished work of redemption, and His Sabbath rest.

For the Christian, Saturday or the Sabbath is the day of the ***dead Christ resting*** in the tomb.

Sunday is the day of the ****living Christ, alive forever more****.

The Sabbath commemorates the end of the old creation.

Not only was the first day of the week the day Jesus was resurrected,:

1. It was the day when Jesus first appeared to His disciples with a commission to evangelize John 20:19-23.
2. On Sunday the first gospel sermon was preached about Christ's death and resurrection Acts 2:1, Pentecost was always on Sunday
3. On that day the first converts were baptized and gathered into a Christian church Acts 2:41
4. On Sunday the disciples at Troas gathered together to break bread take the Lord's Supper, and Paul preached to them Acts 20:7.
5. On the first day of the week the Corinthian believers were to lay aside their gifts for the Lord's work I Cor. 16:2.

We serve a LIVING Savior.

I wonder, if SDA's or any other worshipping on Saturday really know what they are doing.....Are you saying Jesus didn't rise from the dead?

If He didn't **rise**, then your sin is not forgiven.

Your worshipping a day Jesus was still in the Grave...hummmmm!

Now connect that with the Deity of Christ, and Hebrews 13:20 & 21.....

So this Everlasting Covenant you say is still in effect for the Sabbath Day has actually NOW passed with the Risen Christ to the New Day...the Day of our Jesus Christ!

Love in Christ
Katy

Re: - posted by luvvom, on: 2008/4/17 3:57

This is a strange forum. I'm not use to this type of "blog" I feel lost so if I don't comment correctly that's why. Actually, I posted this somewhere but have no idea where. I hit the button "Start a new thread" and that didn't seem right and it wasn't, but neither does the way I'm doing now seem right...but at least it will be within this section.

It is sad when people get caught up in the "Oneness" heresy. If Wildbranch has been studying this for years and still holds to the heresy that Christ is only man, then it is obvious that the Holy Spirit is not in her to teach her the truth.

Also, someone else has very bad info on Calvin. He didn't have anything to do with that young man's death. He was only brought into court to testify against the man's heretical beliefs. That was all. There are sites which depict Calvin as a horr

ible person but they are wrong. I suggest reading his writings in the Institutes of the Christian Religion. The first one you should read is on prayer. I know you will come to see who Calvin really was. Read what HE wrote not what SECONDARY SOURCES write. There are a lot of people who hate Calvin and they are quite willing to tell lies about him. Anyway, I probably won't find my way back here. Search, read, and learn.

Re: - posted by jayyou, on: 2008/4/17 6:58

Hi There everybody, May the peace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with all of us.

Please allow me to add my comment on this thread.

I am very aware that this thread was supposed to be about Sabbath Day versus /any day, every day/ no day, but for some reason it changed direction and moved on to a different subject.

Please I do not want to offend anybody here, but as a Sabbath Keeper and believer in the Trinity, I respect everybody's point of view but I believe that I should make a distinction here that not everybody that advocates Sabbath Keeping share the same view when it comes to the Trinity.

This why I say this:

Throughout the bible we have in many places the confirms that God is One.

Deuteronomy 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one!

1 Corinthians 8:6 yet for us there is one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we for Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and through whom we live.

Absolutely correct, there is one God.

but then the bible tells us this...

John 1:1-3 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

Who is John describing here?

No one but Jesus Christ....

Hebrews 11:3 By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

Here we have a description that the worlds were made by the word of God and in John we have a very clear description that the worlds were created through Jesus and without Jesus nothing that was made was made.... and John goes on saying that Jesus is God..

but to me, this is the most amazing proof that Jesus was with God, Jesus was and is God, is this text.

Genesis 1:26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness.

You can research this text in any language and you will find this verse translated as:

OUR IMAGE,
OUR LIKENESS,

If God was alone there and then, He would have said:

Let me make man in MY image.

So, to me Jesus was God, is God and always will be God and he is so unique that he is the only Being in the whole universe that is able to claim to be God and man at the same time.

Jesus had to be God to save us, for:

Jonah 2:9 Salvation is of the LORD."

Psalm 37:38-39 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together; The future of the wicked shall be cut off. 39 But the salvation of the righteous is from the LORD.

Jesus also had to be a man, for:

Man sinned man had to die...

Ezekiel 18:4 "Behold, all souls are Mine; The soul of the father As well as the soul of the son is Mine; The soul who sins shall die.

Ezekiel 18:20 The soul who sins shall die.

So, Jesus is the only one that satisfied all the criteria to save a lost world.

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To me there is no doubt as far as the Deity of Christ is concerned.

May the peace of Jesus Christ the Saviour of the world be with us all.

Jayme

Re: - posted by jayyou, on: 2008/4/17 7:03

Helle again.

I have a couple of questions for you all:

I have a question though in regard of the Ten commandments

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Revelation 11:19 When the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of His covenant was seen in His temple. And there were lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail.

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Based on what John said, please comment on these questions?

We know that the earthly tabernacle was an exact copy of the heavenly one.

What is inside the ark that John saw?

Is the fourth commandment still there or it is only nine?

If one would take the Ten Commandments out of the ark, would it be described as a day or as a person?

Thanks....

Jayme

Re:, on: 2008/4/17 9:37

Quote:
-----Revelation 11:19 When the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of His covenant was seen in His temple. And there were lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail

When Jesus died on the Cross, the veil in the Temple was rent exactly the same time Jesus' flesh was pierced in His side, signifying the way into the Holy of Holies had been opened ((The Tabernacle of God))

The Holy of Holies is that Temple or Tabernacle

and that which was made with Hands was a picture/pattern of Jesus Christ Himself.

Because we can only come to God through Jesus Christ.....all outside of Christ will endure the wrath and Judgement coming.

Hebrews 10: 19 Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,

20 By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;

29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?

30 For we know him that hath said, Vengeance belongeth unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people.

31 It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

All wisdom and knowledge is in Christ.....

Revelation 13:18

Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.

Colossians 2:2-4

2 That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ;

3 In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

4 And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words.

2 Corinthians 3:

13 And not as Moses, which put a veil over his face, that the children of Israel could not stedfastly look to the end of that which is abolished:

14 But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which vail is done away in Christ.

15 But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart.

16 Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away.

17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Those still under the Law of Moses are blinded and have not the Wisdom that is in Christ...and have not entered through the veil.

Galatians 2:

20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

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

Katy

Re: "Where can I lay my head, where can I dwell?", on: 2008/4/17 11:04

"Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of any holy day, or in the new moon, or of SABBATH DAYS"

"which are but a shadow of things to come; BUT THE BODY IS OF CHRIST"

The JUDEAIZERS followed Paul's ministry around like flies on honey, ripping away the foundations of Grace and Mercy, replacing them with the deadly chains of the LAW. Christ was the end of the law, and righteousness for all who believed.

In my somewhat limited exposure to "Messianic" "believers" in Israel, and here in America, I was stunned to discover that many, many Messianics view Jesus as another balance to even out the scales of the Law. They claim Him, yet cling to all the customs, and worse, traditions that Judaism provide.

Whether if this is done to avoid persecution, I do not know. There is a heightened hatred of Jesus as Lord in Israel.

Many of you in America may support these Organizations without realizing that they are not Christian at all, but have simply adopted the lingo. American Christians are very generous in giving to the true Messianics in Israel, and there is money to be made, and, remember, like "Jehovah's witnesses", some are very, very sincere, in attributing Jesus of Nazareth angel status, or less. They may keep their legalism and true belief system hid, also, for financial gain. People don't like to support cults.

Saying that, maybe a more gentle approach would have been appropriate. On the other hand, Paul, speaking of the wolf who comes knocking on your door SELLING.

"If any man comes to you with another gospel, Do not let him in your door!"

Another thought on the Sabbath.

"I will put My laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts; and I will be unto them a God, and they shall be to me a people"

Born again Christians have God the Spirit to walk with, and obey, not a belief system.

The Sabbath rest is ABIDING in the resting God the Spirit dwelling in every Born Again Christian.

So many Sabbath keepers are nice, on Saturday, or Sunday, dress up and go to a meeting, nap a bit, and relax, and have an easy day of it, but yet bear the filthiest and blackest selfish heart imaginable, Sabbath after Sabbath, Shabot after Shabot. The religious crowd is the worst, for they despise the freedom of walking in Jesus Free, and as then, is now. They loathe a Spirit filled believer who believes that Christ is the END of the Law, and righteousness for all who BELIEVE.

Paul wished that these who bound others with the chains they themselves bore would be "cut off".

Christ has come that we may be free, so be not entangled again in the "YOKE OF BONDAGE"!

Re: - posted by Christinyou (), on: 2008/4/17 16:44

Quote:

"If one would take the Ten Commandments out of the ark, would it be described as a day or as a person?"

In the fulfillment of the Law in Christ, a resounding cry, A PERSON, Amen Jesus Christ Himself.

Jhn 1:3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. Including the Sabbath.

Hbr 7:19 For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a better hope ; by the which we draw nigh unto God.

In His Sabbath, not made with hands of men, but even Chrsit.

Act 17:24 God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

Act 17:25 Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

In Christ: Phillip

Re: - posted by jayyou, on: 2008/4/18 8:25

Dear sister Katy-did,

I am not sure if you tried to answer my questions, but if you did then please try to answer then one by one. I failed to identify if you were trying to answer my questions.

Please go back to my questions and answer then one by one, and please back up your answers with scriptures.

You can say that the temple curtains were torn and all but one fact remains, John saw the ark in the heavenly tabernacle and He wrote about it. I am curious to know why would God show Him that?

====If the law are done away, why was the ark that contains the law of God shown to John?

====what is inside the ark?

====tell me about the fourth commandment of the law that was put inside the ark down here on earth, taking into account that whatever was done in the earthly tabernacle was a copy of the heavenly one?

====If one would open the ark, would the fourth commandment be described as a day or as a man, if it was changed, then please give the scriptures to back up your claim.

(Please read the comment that follows before answering this last question)...

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I understand that the fourth commandment stated that we should dedicate the seventh portion of time to Him and the other six portions we should dedicate to the obligations of life.

Please do not come back to me saying that I am saying we should be holy one day of the week and then be allowed to do

o whatever we want in the other six days, this is a lousy argument, for the bible tells us that we should be holy because He is Holy.

One more thing I do not worship a day, I worship the creator of that day.

People say that Jesus is the Sabbath, I do not agree with it because to me Jesus is the creator of the sabbath and not the sabbath itself, and on the sabbath I worship the Lord of it all, and as He says Himself, He is the Lord of all including the Sabbath.

May the Lord of it all, give us understanding to follow His will in our lives.....

Jayme

Re: - posted by jayyou, on: 2008/4/24 10:01

I have posted some questions here and so far no one tried to answer them, could anybody please comment of them.....

Jayme

Re: - posted by a-servant, on: 2008/5/3 2:31

Jayme, I read these 8 pages the other day. And once this came up: "One more thing I do not worship a day, I worship the creator of that day. People say that Jesus is the Sabbath, I do not agree with it because to me Jesus is the creator of the sabbath and not the sabbath itself, and on the sabbath I worship the Lord of it all, and as He says Himself, He is the Lord of all including the Sabbath."

I said "thank God, someone understood it after all". Actually, your point of view is the only one clearly reflected in the Bible, all the others talk as if they separated themselves from what the Scriptures really say (and what the apostles practiced as well) and their "advanced spiritual view" is something the apostles did not follow, neither should we. Sabbath in theory only, but "fulfilled in Christ" and so practically without practical consequences for us, but Sunday practically yes, sorry to say most bought into traditions of man that make the word of God of none effect. You must be secretly read different books than you claim you do.

They went too far and astray with this sunny Pope day on the day of sun worship, just as the apostles went to far at one time when they asked "saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"

And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

If you read all the explicit commandments in the Bible regarding the Sabbath, as in the 10 commandments, and also as in: Exodus 20:8 And Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Exodus 20:10 But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: Exodus 20:11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it. Exodus 31:14 Ye shall keep the sabbath therefore; for it is holy unto you: every one that defileth it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever doeth any work therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his people. Exodus 31:15 Six days may work be done; but in the seventh is the sabbath of rest, holy to the LORD: whosoever doeth any work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death.

Exodus 31:16 Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations, for a perpetual covenant. Exodus 35:2 Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you an holy day, a sabbath of rest to the LORD: whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death.

..and do not understand the meaning of the words "perpetual covenant" as a child does, But instead come up with "adult" rationalizations you are personally more comfortable with, then Jesus words above as in Matthew 18:3. apply. Someone should warn you, it's a most serious problem of misunderstanding in human culture that creates their own rules in separation from the God of the Bible. "Shall be put to death" should be clear. It's the same as "will not have everlasting life", "have not the spirit" or "shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven"

Matthew 18:3 was not only spoken to believers, it was spoken to apostles. If someone thinks themselves to be exempt from it, so in effect standing above that....i have to question if they ever been regenerated yet at all, to become indeed a new creation, that is fully enabled to understand these simple things. Just as a child can understand them and would. And do these things. That's what it means to be a child, and that my dear friends of high intellect, is required to enter into the kingdom of heaven. Jesus said so, and if you have real faith you can believe it. If your faith is "made in America" you simply can not believe that.

Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought: But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: 8 ¶ Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 1 Corinthians 2:6