

Messianic Christian Fellowship

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"More Than Ten Commandments?"

We are going look at the giving of the 10 commandments, and piece together all the accounts of the giving of the 10 commandments to see if there was actually more given than just 10 words!

Duetueronomy 5:22-33 It would appear as though the people hung out at Mt. Sinai long enough to hear God speak the 10 commandments, but got overwhelmed and wanted to hear no more- So Moses was elected to hear the rest of Gods instructions and relay the message.

This of course would imply that there are more than 10 commandments!

Besides if Moses was up on Mt. Sinai for 40 days- you would think that was way to much time for just 10 commands!

Exodus 19:1-21 This is the first Shavuot (Pentecost), it's the third month 50 days First Fruits.

Exodus 20:18-26 and 21:1 Now it would again appear as though the people gathered at the Mountain to hear the 10 commandments but after hearing the 10 they wanted to hear no more. So Moses was elected to get all the instructions or commandments from God and then relay them to the people.

Also in Exodus 21:1 Now these or And these is a continuation of what preceded it. There is no distinction between the instructions that followed the ten commandments and the ten commandments themselves.

I like to think of the 10 commandments as the overall big picture, and the rest of the commandments are the instructions teaching you how to properly observe and attain to keeping the 10 commandments.

I've also heard it said that you can break down all the other commandments into categories listed under the original 10.

It is also commonly taught that the 10 commandments can be broken down into 2 categories- the first 4 deal with your relationship with God and the next 6 dealing with your relationship with man.

Exodus 24- this chapter seems out of chronological order to me- it seems to me like vs.12-18 should come first and then vs.9-11 and then vs.3-8; but anyway - God gives Moses 40 days of instructions - to give to the people.

Vs.7- How big of a book do you think you can write in 40 days? How big of a book do you think God could write in 40 days? A book with more than 10 Words or commandments?—I think so!

Vs.12- The stone tablets (containing the 10 Words) and then the Law (Torah, instructions, directions), and the mitzvah (commandments, precepts, statutes, ordinances); in order that you may teach them or for their instructions.

Vs.16 - God uses the telephone on Shabbat by calling Moses on the 7th day!

Exodus 34- the only other account I know of that talks of Moses getting the commandments from God on Mount Sinai.

Vs.15- harlot = 2181 physical and spiritual prostitution- Idolatry

I find it intriguing here that the Lord begins to mention the feasts.

Vs.34 summary- It would appear as though Moses continued to receive instructions from God to continue giving to the children of Israel of whom we are grafted in to.

Interesting in chapter 35:1-3 you already see more instruction concerning the Sabbath that's not mentioned in the 10 commandments but just as relevant as the 10 commandments.

Lets take a look at the feasts the Lord mentioned

Leviticus 23 Notice that the Sabbath is on par with the rest of the Feasts

They are all holy convocations which is a commanded assembly

Notice also that these feasts are called permanent commandments in vs.14,21,31,and 41

Lets look at these feast in **Numbers 28&29** – here we have an extra one added; it's called New Moon or Rosh Chodesh.

The main difference between Leviticus and Numbers- Is in Numbers you receive instructions about the **sacrifices** that are to be brought-

Lets take a look at some pictures of **sacrifices** being done in the future in the context of the mellenial reign of the Messiah on earth:

Zechariah 14:16,21 Not only are the sacrifices being done in verse 21 but so are the feasts in verse 16.

Jereremiah 33:14-26/ the sacrifices will be done all the days and by the levitical priesthood which will be restored

Jeremiah 33 is still in the same context as Jeremiah 31 where it talks of the New Covenant, and we will take a look at that in a minute- but first lets go to...

Malachi 2:1-4 Covenant with Levi will be continued

Malachi 3:1-4 This context of scripture appears to be in the future and it talks of the sons of Levi presenting sacrifices to the Lord – as in the days of old and as in former years. It also mentions a temple!

Malachi 4:4-6 This is a picture of what I think is going on even today; God is restoring His remnant to knowing, understanding, and keeping His instructions (Law).

Jeremiah 31:31-40 lets look at the new covenant

The Word new= 2319 from 2318- Chodesh = renew, rebuild, repair, to be new

Is Gods law really in our hearts? Or do we still need to write Gods laws on our hearts?

Like Paul said, "had it not been for the law, I wouldn't even know what sin was- for if the law hadn't said it was a sin to eat pork, I would have never known it was sin"

Paul was alive after the resurrection of Yeshua- and if the New covenant wasn't in full effect for him yet, then what makes us think the New Covenant is in full effect now? Maybe it is in part with Yeshua's sacrifice, but not in full because the Law isn't written on my heart- I must write it on my heart myself. And we still have need to be taught and to teach others.

Now will the New Covenant make null and void the old Covenants? No, absolutely not...

Galatians 2:15-17 no covenant nullifies another; they build one on top of another!

And something that will be part of it!

Isaiah 2:3- Out of Zion will go forth my law

Micah 4:1-2- From Zion my Law will go forth

My hope is that this will shed some light on the Law of God not being limited to just 10 commandments but rather in the Words of the Messiah in Matthew 4:4 every word that proceeded from the Mouth of God is what man should live by!

Lets make it our goal to learn all of God instructions, directions, commandments, and follow Gods ways.

Lets make God the center of our lives and the center of our focus and show him that we love him by our obedience unto Him.

Lets take a few minutes to pray and make sure our hearts are right with Yahweh.

Take some time to examine your hearts and make sure you are fearing God, learning His ways, and walking in obedience to Him. If you recognize sin in your life, confess it and forsake it- we need to have repented hearts and make our hearts line up with His ways. Rather than make Yahweh line up with our ways and our thinking, and our traditions.