



Messianic Christian Fellowship

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Ex.31:12-17 The Sabbath is a covenantal sign

It's a sign that it's the Lord who sanctifies us- He sets us apart

We are to observe the Sabbath for it is Holy to us

The Sabbath is the 7th day

The Sabbath is Holy to the Lord

It's a day of rest and it's a perpetual covenant

Exodus 35:1-4 We are not to kindle a fire; this means we are not to start a fire on the Sabbath

We know that in the tabernacle the Menorah was lit and continually burned- so there was fire on the Sabbath and they kept the fire going- but they didn't kindle or start a fire.

I apply this to my life by not kindling a fire on Shabbat; however I do use a candle to keep a fire going and If I need to use the stove for something; then I use the fire from the candle rather than starting a new fire.

We need to be careful not to add to or take away from the commandments of God-

The command is not to kindle a fire

Some people will interpret this as not starting a car, or not turning on lights, or not turning on anything electronic- like phones or computers.

Now while I can understand and respect how they come to this conclusion- it's important that we don't add to the commandments of God- the command is literally not to kindle a fire.

If you say the command is anything other than what it literally says- then you are adding to the commandment of God.

So if you say the command is not to turn on lights or start your car or listen to music on your ipod- then you are adding to the commandments of God.

Now if you say the command is not to kindle a fire and you take it to the extreme and honor God by not turning on your lights or starting your car or turning on your ipod- then that's fine as long as you don't say God commanded you not to turn on lights, or start your car, or turn on your ipod.

Ex. 16:16-27 Lets talk about cooking on Shabbat

We need to be careful not to add to the commandments of God nor take away from them.

Same principle here as with the kindling a fire. No where does God say don't cook on Shabbat- although I can understand where the idea comes from and that the scripture may even in some way imply it. But God doesn't say don't cook on Shabbat- so if you say that God commanded us not to cook on Shabbat then you are adding to the commandments of God.

I think the emphasis here in this passage of scripture is actually on the gathering on the Sabbath- rather than cooking.

Now I can understand how you can come to the conclusion of not cooking on Shabbat- and that's fine- but to say God commanded us not to cook on Shabbat is adding to the commandments of God.

Some may consider cooking as work and therefore would disqualify cooking on Shabbat because it's work- I can understand that as well- but I still wouldn't go as far as to say that God said don't cook on Shabbat.

I think that preparing your food in advance so you don't have to do anything vigorous on Shabbat is a good habit to get into. I will usually put aside some of the meal that I make for Friday night aside for Sabbath. Or I will simply warm up a pizza, or warm up some menudo. Some people will buy donuts and pastries rather than cooking breakfast.

We need to make sure that we have a good balance of keeping Gods commandments without adding our own interpretation to it when telling others of Gods commands.

Neh.13:15-22 No buying and selling on Shabbat

Jer.17:19-27 No carrying a load on Shabbat

Is.58:13-14 Turn your foot from your own business and striking bargains and delight in the Lord on the Sabbath

I want to talk about the New Covenant or the Re-Newed Covenant

Luke 22:20 This word 'new' is the Greek word kainos (2537) which implies Re-Newed rather than something never seen before; renewed in condition and quality.

Jer.31:27-40 Renewed Covenant 2318 Chadash

Jer.33:14-26 More information of what will take place in the Re-Newed Covenant

Rom.11:11-36 We are grafted into Israel- God is in covenant with Israel not with the church- If you want to be a partaker in the promises of God- you must be grafted into Israel

Gal.3:29- We are heirs through Yeshua according to the promise to Abraham which is the covenant God made with Israel

Rom.3:31- We don't nullify the law through faith in Yeshua- on the contrary we establish the law

Rom.6:1,2 we don't nullify the law through grace, but instead have a clean slate given to us in order to learn and keep Gods law

Rom.3:1,2 God intrusted His ways to the Hebrew people- to the Jews

Jer.12:14-17 It's about time we start to learn Gods ways which He entrusted to His people- the Hebrews or the Jews

To be a Hebrew- to be a Jew- is to be grafted into Gods ways- it means to crossover- we are to crossover from death to life- from our ways to Gods ways

The only way we can partake in this grafting into Israel is through repentance- We need to repent of our sins and put our trust and faith in Yeshua the son of God who without sin paid our debts for sinning against God- He satisfied or fulfilled the law on our behalf. Lets pay him back by walking in obedience to His ways to the best of our abilities.

Jer.32:40-42- something else we see in the Re-Newed Covenant is that God will put the fear of Him into our hearts and it will keep us from turning away from Him

Lets begin to learn to put the fear of God into our hearts.

Lam.3:39-40 also written by Jeremiah- His advice is to repent and return to the Lords ways.