

## 10 Truths Christianity Has Forgotten! Part 2 - Jim Staley 2024

What in the world have we forgotten over the last almost 2,000 years as Christians that has *radically* taken this train and put it on a different set of tracks? That's what we've been talking about over the last two broadcasts. We've been talking about what are the top 10 things that Christians have forgotten, and we don't even know that we've forgotten, and that's the sad part. We talked about last week the top five. This week, we're going to talk about the bottom five. If we get to all of them, let's talk about it right after this.

Hello, everyone. I'm Jim Staley, Passion for Truth Ministries, and this ministry is built upon *you*. It's built *for* you. God is creating an opportunity for you to draw closer to Him through this ministry, which ultimately is through His Word, because that's what we're all about, the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, combined with the Spirit, *Ruach*, wind in Hebrew. We want to bring to you the ancient truths of Scripture and put them in the 21st century context. That's what this ministry is all about. We want to do Bible things in Bible ways. We want to go past Protestantism, past Catholicism, and all the way back to the 1st century. What did the author believe when he wrote it? Unfortunately, today, most of the Bible has been interpreted from a Greco-Roman, 21st century Western perspective, from a seminary perspective. That's not built upon the original Hebraic foundation that the Bible was written in. All of the authors of the Bible were Israelites, Hebrews, or Jewish. When you get to the New Testament, it becomes *paramount for understanding* the New Testament, what we call the New Covenant language, all of these letters that Paul wrote in the Gospels, because they're all written from that Jewish point of view.

If we don't understand the culture, we don't understand language, idiomatic expressions, and the context, we will read into it, quite frankly, what we already believe, and we won't pull out of it anything of what the author originally intended. Or I should say, we won't pull *all* of the beauty and the gold that's there. So that's what this ministry is designed for, that's what we're dedicated to. If this type of content is what you're looking for, please hit subscribe right now on our channel and share these videos. You will learn more in this one video about what you didn't know before. If you're brand new to this channel, and I know a couple hundred thousand of you probably are, but if you're brand new and you've not heard what I'm about to go through right now, I want you to hold onto your seat, give it a chance, and let the Bible speak for itself. It's going to challenge you. These last five of the top 10 things that Christians have been forgetting and missed over the last 2,000 years is going to potentially rub against what your pastor might have taught you or

what your denomination teaches, or what that manual says of whatever doctrinal creed that you belong to. But let's belong to one creed, and that's the biblical text. That's what it's all about. It's not about what we *feel*, it's about what *He said* and coming in alignment with that. Because the truth can only do one thing, my friend. What does it do? It sets us free.

All right. Let's go through and let's quickly go through the top five last week, I should say, I almost said last year. Then we'll start the process of going through the last half. **The first one** that we came to is we learned that **God is the truth**. He's the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Now we might say that we haven't forgotten that, but ultimately culture is starting to creep in, woke theology, philosophy is creeping into the church and we're forgetting that truth is truth. When God said it's the truth, the whole truth, and it cannot be altered, period, and it's unfortunately being altered in churches today. All right.

The **second thing** we learned is that the Word is the truth. That's right. That's what your church says, not what your denomination says, but **the Word of God is the truth.** We gave some scriptures for that. And then **number three**, we learned that **the entire Bible is the truth.** The entire Bible is the Word of God. Now you might say, how in the world have we forgotten this? Very simply, we don't really believe it. We do not believe as far as, and I mean, we as collectively the Christian church today really does not in practice or believe that the entire word of God is actually true and applicable for today. Most denominations believe that the Old Testament is just that, it's old covenant, it's done away with, it was for the Jews, not even realizing that there were 11 other tribes that were part of Israel. Jews were only one tribe or to be a little bit more accurate, the Southern two tribes in the Southern kingdom. That's for a whole other story. By the way, if you're a Bible nerd and you are interested in learning more about tribal identity and all of that, how it fits into scripture, you need to watch "*Identity Crisis*." We will put the link. It's in the description.

Okay, what we want to do is we want to learn that at the end of the day the entire Bible is the Word of God. All of it is true. It's true all the time. It's applicable all the time, unless God says otherwise, what he said stands. And that's why we said that's something that is forgotten here in Christianity today. We tend to believe the New Testament is the truth and we discount at the very least we discount the Old Testament. Not a lot of pastors will say, you don't have to listen the Old Testament it's not true. They'll just say it's not applicable for today, which means that we're discounting it. Now watch what happens when we get to the final number 10, it's going to blow your mind. What the Bible is going to say about what I just said. All right.

**Number four**, let's move on, **the early church was Jewish**. Absolutely, almost the entire early church was Jewish for a decade or so until Cornelius came along and Acts chapter 10, he was the first Gentile, and that Gentile was a proselyte in the process of converting to Judaism. God stopped him in his tracks and said, "Peter, I want you to give him the gospel," and that whole four cornered sheet was not about not eating clean or unclean. It was a metaphor about the Gentiles were always called unclean animals. God said, "Hey, I want you to stop calling what I am calling clean, unclean, go and eat, meaning go and give him the gospel." Okay. We'll go more into that at a different time, but the early church was Jewish and that is really, really

important to note. The whole foundation was Jewish in the first century, all the disciples, all the early apostles, everyone following them was Jewish until this thing broke out into the Gentile communities. All right.

When it did break out into the Gentile communities, we came to **number five** last week, which was **the Gentiles met in the synagogues**. That's where they met. They didn't have their own church service themselves early on. They met in the synagogues. **Acts chapter 15**, **verse 21** made that very clear, when James made the ruling saying, "Hey, if they're going to be part of our fellowship, they can't do these four things because they'll learn the rest every Shabbat, every Sabbath," Moses, or the Torah is being read in the synagogues, they'll learn the rest there. There was an expectation from James who was the head, if you want to call pastor or the Bishop over *all* of the messianic congregations, the believing congregations in Christ in the known world at that time in the middle East, he was the head guy. He expected the Gentiles to hear the Torah being read *every single week* to learn more of what scripture had to say. That's why when you get to **Second Timothy 3:16**, when it says, **"all scripture is worthy for, for doctrine and reproof and correction, the ways of righteousness,"** the only scripture that existed at that time was not the New Testament didn't exist. The Scriptures were what we would call the Old Testament. They call them simply the Scriptures. The *value* that the early church put on the Old Testament, what we call the Old Testament, was very, very, very high.

One of the points of this broadcast, it's really important for you to know this. I'm not going to belabor the point because we have a lot to go through and I know I'm talking fast, but you can hit pause and rewind. But it's really important that you know, that if you're going to understand the Bible, if you're going to understand the New Testament specifically, if you're really going to understand the new covenant, you must go back to the original framework from which the new covenant was written in, you must understand what the author meant when he wrote it. We cannot read into it what we believe. We have to take out of it, exegetically, it's called exegesis, we have to exegetically pull from the Scriptures, what the author intended. That's why we've got 45,000 different denominations with everybody saying, "lo here's Christ. Here's Christ. Here's what this means." The reason is because we're not going back far enough into the original culture and language. What did the authors believe when they wrote this? Not what we think they meant, not what we believe currently, but what did they mean? In order to do that, you have to know their culture. You have to know their framework, and that's what we're going to do here today.

We're going to show you something that I believe is for those of you now, not everybody watching this broadcast cares honestly about the Word of God. Not everybody wants to be challenged. Not everybody likes to audit their belief system to make sure that they're serving God, the way that He wants to be served. Honestly, most people I meet are very comfortable with how they're serving God and going to church and doing their thing, because it's all about them. But if you are one of those people that you understand, **it's not about you. It's about how He feels. It's about what He believes and how He wants to be worshiped, then this conversation becomes very, very relevant, because this is going to be, quite frankly, an audit of what we believe as a Christian church. And you're going to find out what Passion For Truth** 

believes and how we move forward in doing Bible things in Bible ways is the move of the Spirit. Because the Spirit is *everything*, but the Spirit operates inside of the truth. Okay? All right.

Let's go back to our PowerPoint here. We talked about how they met in synagogues. We talked about, by the way, that not only did they meet in the synagogue on Saturday, on the seventh day, the Sabbath, in Hebrew the Shabbat. But that evening, Saturday night, when the sun went down, that's when the Gentiles would meet - all the ones that were believers in Christ. The Jewish believers, the Gentile believers, they would meet in one, typically a home, and then one of the apostles or one of the disciples or leader would preach. That's when we learn that Paul was preaching for so long Saturday night that Eutychus falls out of the window, dies, and Paul has to resurrect him from the dead. We know, it says it's the first day of the week, but we've forgotten as Christians that days don't start in the daytime like they did here in Rome, Roman times, Gregorian calendar, where it starts at midnight. The day started at 6 p.m. They started normally when the sun went down. So, when the sun goes down Saturday night, we know that that's when they met. That's when the first day of the week is. And that's the only way that it could be the first day of the week and midnight at the same time. If it was Sunday at midnight, it would be the second day of the week because the second, it would be Monday already. When the sun goes down Sunday night, that's when the second day of the week started. So when the text says that it's the first day of the week and Eutychus falls out of the window at midnight, dead giveaway, it's Saturday night at midnight. And that's why it's called the first day of the week. They're not meeting Sunday morning. They're meeting on Shabbat. This is just like the Scriptures say and command. They're resting on Sabbath, meeting with their non-believing Jewish friends, in the synagogue in the afternoon, and then they're all going out to eat together, just like we all do today. Okay. And we try to beat the Baptist after church, right to the buffet.

All right. So now this week, we're going to go through the top five, even though I've labeled it as six, seven, eight, nine, and ten. And we're going to do our absolute best to do that and to get through it. We're already halfway through this broadcast so we'll see how far we get. But number six, on the top 10 of things that Christians have forgotten, or I should say, have not learned or not burned into their memory, that is so critical to understanding why we do what we do and how to really understand the scriptures and what happened in the first century that caused such a schism between the Jew and the Gentile believers is this. Number six, the destruction of the temple changed everything, ladies and gentlemen. The entire Judeo system of worship of the one true God, Yahweh, centered around the temple system. It's centered around what the idiom was, was a city on the hill. When Christ says that you are a city on the hill, He's pointing at what was called the city on the hill, which was the temple that was on the hill. He said, "you are the temple. You're the city on the hill." How cool is that? Right? When the temple was destroyed in 70 AD, this drastically changed the way life as we know it, because inside of the Jew, believing Jew and Gentile, there was a split where the Jewish believers, they fled to Yavneh, okay, and the Christians, they fled to Pella. During that siege on Jerusalem, where Jerusalem was destroyed, the Jews went to Yavneh, the Christians went to Pella, and there for the very first time, in 40 years, an entire generation was for the very first time that Christians, Gentiles, were separated from really their fathers. They were separated from their Hebrew teachers. They were separated from the ones that could explain the Tanakh

and the Torah, the prophets, the sayings, the Psalms. They could explain what Moses meant, that they were learning in the synagogue, every week, that the Christians had no idea because they grew up Greek and Roman. They couldn't because they didn't know come here from sikkum. They depended on their Jewish counterparts to teach them what they had been learning for 1,500 straight years since Moses.

When the split happened, it changed the course of history because it was from that moment that Gentiles began to infiltrate and begin their own churches. Now they're in charge, and they're bringing their cultural background as more and more got saved coming out of paganism, they're bringing some of that pagan philosophy into the church. They don't know any better. They don't know the forbidden instructions that God gave in the Torah and in the Scriptures, saying that you're not allowed to mix the holy with the profane. They had no idea. They're thinking, oh my heart is pure. I'm trying to do what's right. That's exactly what the Israelites were trying to do. With the golden calf, right? The golden calf, as a matter of fact, let's just go there real quick, I'm just feeling led to do this. Let's go there because most people don't believe me when I show them this. So, let's go to Exodus chapter 32, let me show you this because this is really incredible. They were not worshiping in their minds another God. From their perspective, they're worshiping the one true God, Yahweh. It's from God's perspective that they were in idolatry. Listen carefully. "5So when Aaron saw it," (talking about the golden calf) "he built an altar before it and Aaron made a proclamation and said, 'tomorrow is a feast to the Lord. Tomorrow is a feast to Yahweh." From Aaron's viewpoint, he's worshiping the Lord God. There's nothing in his mind that he's worshiping a different God. Are we to believe that Aaron, the high priest of Israel, brother of Moses, was right there involved with all 10 plagues? It's his staff, they open up the sea, they walk through the sea, and all of a sudden Aaron decides, because Moses is gone for 40 days, that they're just going to worship a different God after all of this? No. It was Egyptian culture that had the worship of the bull, and they understood that you can never communicate to the gods independently. You must go through a teraphim. You must go through an idol, the household idol. You must go through an idol. Because Moses was the mediator between God, Yahweh, and the Israelites, and they had lost Moses, they needed another mediator. But nobody would be brave enough to even dare to take his position, so they defaulted back to their pagan roots and to what was comfortable, and they decided they were going to do a feast unto the Lord and hope that God would come and speak to them again. That's why he says tomorrow's a feast to the Lord. Then, of course, the next scripture is as God says, "Mo, get out of my way, I'm going to kill everybody. I'm going to give you everything because they're worshiping another god." That's why the second commandment says no graven images. He knew what was in their mind. He knew what was in their culture. So why am I saying all this? Because it's important for you to understand that when the temple was destroyed and the Gentiles went and did their own thing, they started bringing in their own ideas that came out of paganism of how to worship God, and God said you can't do that.

Matter of fact, let's look at one more scripture that says that very specifically is **Deuteronomy chapter 12**, okay? He says in the very end of this chapter, let's just go there so you can see it. He says "When you cross the Jordan River, when you go into the land, I don't want you," he says right here, "<sup>30</sup> Take heed to yourself" in verse 30, "that you are not ensnared to follow

them, the pagans, after they are destroyed from before you and that you do not inquire after their gods saying, how did these nations serve their gods? I will also do likewise."

Now, you might be tempted to think that He means, they mean that I want to worship their gods. Not at all. They are looking into how they worship their gods, and then they're going to borrow those practices and worship Yahweh, the one true God, and look what Yahweh says. God says, "30 You shall not worship the Lord your God in that way; for every abomination to the Lord which He hates they have done to their gods; for they burn even their sons and daughters in the fire to their gods. 32Whatever I command you, be careful to observe it, you shall not add to it or take away from it." You can see right here in Deuteronomy, God knows us. He knows that we are not concerned 100% about the worship of the one true God, His way, okay, that we want to add our way to it. We want to mix it. We want to make it about what we think.

As a matter of fact, from a guy that's done a ton of marriage counseling for a lot of people for a long time, even in my own marriage, any problem that I have ever had in my own marriage, you know what it comes down to? I'm looking through my lens. I'm being selfish of what I want to do. When a husband or a wife stops looking from the other person's perspective, their spouse's perspective, everything falls apart. You fell in love, why? Because you're totally consumed with their perspective. You're consumed with conversation about their life. And then 10 years later, 20 years later, it becomes all about you, and everything that you want to do, and everything that you want to talk about. And so, the relationship begins to disintegrate. It's the same with God. In our relationship with Him, when we begin to worship Him our way, doing what we want to do, and we don't audit about what He wants, or even care to look into it, there's some people that will be offended by this message right now, just because it goes against what they believe. Instead of taking the humble perspective and approach of let's hear this guy out, let's see what the Scriptures say, let me look into this because it's not about me, and if I'm wrong, I want to make an adjustment to serve my God at the greatest capacity.

If we're going to serve the Lord God, we should be open to looking into what makes Him happy. Audit what we're doing. Make sure. We don't want to stand before God someday and Him say. "depart from me, I never knew you." Or at the very least, say, "why didn't you do what I asked you to do? I wrote it down. You didn't believe what I said?" That's exactly what the serpent said in the garden, "God doesn't really mean what He said. He's not really going to keep His word and say that you're going to die. You will be wise." The enemy is always taking the position of God didn't mean what He said. And today, in today's modern-day Christianity, the majority of denominations don't believe that God meant what He said. The enemy has convinced God's people that God's commandments, that are meant for our blessing, right, are somehow bad, and they're the bad guy. It's incredible to me how we've not only swallowed hook, line, and sinker, that God's law, His commandments, His instruction manual, His bridal book of how to love Him and have deeper intimacy and more power, a spirit-filled power in your life, is done away with. And then we believe that it was God's idea to do away with something that He said, that He said is a blessing. So, we're going to look into that. It all started right here, when the temple was destroyed, everything went, and we lost the Christian roots of our faith, which were Hebrew in nature. All right.

Let's move on to number seven because number six is powerful enough, but it just gets worse. Number seven is Constantine sealed the deal, he sealed the change. How did he do that? "In the early 300s, the Roman Emperor Constantine decided to make it easier for Romans to convert to Christianity by changing the biblical day of worship from the God-commanded seventh-day Sabbath to the already existing first-day Sabbath of the pagans, which was called Sun's Day. It was the Sun God's Day. Then he changed the day of Passover on top of that and the resurrection from their biblical foundations to the new Roman foundations that were centered around the goddess Ishtar, where we get the word Easter from. He would also change the birth of Christ to December 25th, which was coincidentally the birthday of Soledictus, Constantine's Sun God." Now, if you don't believe me on that, I encourage you to watch "December 25th On Trial." It will absolutely blow your mind. If you've not seen that, I think hundreds of thousands of other people have seen it already and it will be a centrifuge for giving you a documentary on where we even get December 25th. It will shock you.

Now again, some of you may be saying, why does any of this matter? You just need to love God. Well, we're going to find out the definition of love. Okay, according to **First John chapter 5** is keeping God's commandments, and if we've done away with keeping God's commandments, how do we express our love for Him? Just having a quiet time? Is that expressing our love for Him? I can tell my wife all day long that I love her, but if I don't *do* what I know pleases her, I'm not expressing my love in the way that makes a difference.

Okay, my friends, if you don't believe me that Constantine made a major change and sealed the deal here as the Roman Church took over the early church when they split off and the Christians went to Pella, Jews went to Yavneh mainly. Eventually that ended up becoming the Church of Rome filled with Gentiles that were over the top of the Jewish leadership in the East, but the Western Orthodox Church ruled the day. That's where the Pope was. That's where the Emperor was. That's where everything happened, and Constantine's court Bishop said *this* about the Sabbath quote. Well, let's put up on the screen so you can see it. "All things whatsoever. That was the duty to do on the Sabbath" talking about the seventh day of the week, "We have transferred to what they called the Lord's Day [the first day of the week] as more appropriately belonging to it." -"commetary on the Psalms," Cox's "Sabbath Literature," Vol. 1, page 361.

My friends. Did you hear that? They literally are bragging that they changed the Sabbath from the seventh day and they're saying everything that the Bible says that you should do or not do on the Sabbath. We're transferring to the Lord's what they call the Lord's Day. Now just because Jesus rose from the dead does not ever change the Sabbath day, which is the **fourth commandment**. That was set in the garden before man ever sinned. It's not a Jewish thing, this is a God thing, this is a mankind thing. It was given to all mankind. The Sabbath was made for *man*. It doesn't say that it was made for Jews, it's made for *man*. Okay, when we think of the seventh day Sabbath, we're thinking of either the Seventh Day Adventist, which I'm not one or the Jewish people who keep it. But, why wouldn't we just think that we should be doing this? All the early Christians did, all the early believers did this. Jesus did this, the disciples did this, God himself did it in the first week of creation. This is the most amazing blessing that you could have

is to keep the Shabbat, remember it and keep it holy. The Bible says the fourth commandment and most Christians that I know of believe in the Ten Commandments, but we don't believe in the fourth. Why? Why don't we believe in the fourth commandment? Because we're following what Rome did. *They changed it.* Okay, and this was just simple proof right here. All right.

Let me just show you a few of these quotes because this is just extraordinary. It says, and this comes from our Sunday visitor. Okay, February 5th 1950, which is a magazine says, "Protestants accept Sunday rather than Saturday as the day for public worship after the Catholic Church made the change, but the Protestant mind does not seem to realize that in observing Sunday, they're accepting the authority of the spokesman for the Church, the Pope" -Our Sunday Visitor, February 5, 1950. Because they believe that Pope is Christ on Earth. He has the right to change the times and the seasons, and they know that there's no scriptural evidence to change the Sabbath. They just arbitrarily did it. We're going to find out in just a second why. Let's continue here.

Here's another quote. This comes from Albert Smith, Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, replying for the Cardinal in a letter dated February 10th 1920, says this "If Protestants would follow the Bible, they would worship God on the Sabbath day. In keeping the Sunday, they're following a law of the Catholic Church." -Albert Smith, Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, replying for the Cardinal, in a letter dated February 10, 1920. You see this is not a Protestant thing. This is a Catholic thing a Roman Church made the change. Protestants are following along with it.

Here's another quote. This is by Pope John Paul II. Okay in 1998, he says this is the reason why they made the change. So, he's going to tell you the reason why we made the change the "Pastoral intuition suggested to the Church the Christianization of the notion of Sunday as 'the day of the sun,' which was the Roman name for the day, and which is retained in some modern languages. This was in order to draw the faithful." This was what? The reason why we changed it from Saturday to Sunday was in order to draw the faithful "away from the seduction of cults which worship the sun," on that day "and to direct the celebration of the day to Christ, humanity's true 'sun." John Paul II, Dies Domini, 27. The day of Christ-Light, 1998.

In a nutshell what he's saying is the reason why they made the change from the biblical seventh day to the pagans first day is because they wanted to make it easier for the Roman citizens and the pagans to convert to Christianity and not have to make all that great of a change because they're so used to celebrating on Sunday, they know they're going to be predisposed to continuing that. So they said "okay, to make it, one, easier on you, and two, we know that we all don't like the Jewish people because of great antisemitisms at the time (which still exists today incredibly). We don't want you to appear Jewish, we know you're going to have a problem with that, so you can maintain Sunday worship, but just do it for Christ." That's why they did it, the intuition, he says of the early Church fathers was to compromise. You see that the intuition of man is always to compromise. It's always to do what he thinks is right in his own eyes. That's why God says, "do not do what everyone is doing today and doing what's right in your own eyes." I believe that's **Deuteronomy chapter 12 verse 8**. You can check me on that.

All right, so it's not just the Catholics that believe this, my friends. It's the Protestants as well. Let's take a look at what the Protestants say. It says this in the Baptist manual. Okay. This is Dr. Edward T Hiscos, author of the Baptist manual. This guy is the author of the Baptist manual, and he has this to say "There was and is a commandment to keep holy the Sabbath day, but that Sabbath day was not Sunday. It will be said, however, and with some show of triumph, that the Sabbath was transferred from the seventh to the first day of the week..." Where from the seventh to the first day of the week..." Where from the seventh to the first day of the change of the Sabbath institution from the seventh to the first day of the week." -Dr. Edward T. Hiscos, author of The Baptist Manual, in a paper read before a New York ministers conference helf November 13, 1893.

My friends this is telling when the guy who invented and wrote, an author of the Baptist manual, says "look without a doubt that the biblical Sabbath is Saturday the seventh day of the week, and there's zero scriptural evidence that says that it was changed and we know who changed it, we knew why we changed it" and he goes on to say that "they believe that it should be on Sunday because Christ rose from the dead." Okay. What if He rose on a Monday? Do we change the Sabbath to a Monday? Raising from the dead has nothing to do with the fourth commandment. It was an absolute, it was not a coincidence, it was preordained that he rose on Sunday, and it wasn't Sunday was the issue, it just so happened the Sunday that He rose from the dead, was the first Sunday after Passover when He died and that was the Feast of Yom Bikkurim, First Fruits. For 1400 years the Jewish people, the Israelites, the Hebrews, they were celebrating the feast of Yom Bikkurim every single year (the barley harvest) and the high priest, right at the crack of dawn would cut the barley loose and wave it before God asking for a great harvest in the fall, Yeshua, Jesus, was rising from the dead out from the earth, being waved before the Father asking for a great harvest of souls in the fall, meaning the second coming before He comes back. It's absolutely incredible. He fulfilled every one of the feast days! As a matter of fact, if you would like to learn more about the feast days, you can check out our our "Feast Days of the Lord" intro video which goes over all seven feast days of God's calendar. If you want to know what God's calendar is you want to be on it. You want to learn about the first and second coming of Christ, specifically the second coming of Christ, it's all in His calendar. It's not on our Gentile Roman calendar. It's on His calendar. As a matter of fact, if you would, if you want a cheat sheet, I've got a free download. If you would text "feastday" to 844-763-9543. That's 844-763-9543. Type the word "feast day" and you'll automatically get a free download on that to go over - a whole article going over all of the feast days. You'll be blessed because you did. In any case, let's move on.

The Baptist say that. So what else we got? We've got Moody Bible Institute. Look what he has to say. Moody Bible Institute says this "The Sabbath was binding in Eden, and it has been in force ever since. This fourth commandment begins with the word 'remember,' showing that the Sabbath already existed when God wrote the law on the tables of stone at Sinai. How can men claim that this one commandment has been done away with when they will all admit that the other nine are still binding?" -D.L. Moody, Weighed and Wanting, p. 47. This is Dr. DL Moody ladies and gentlemen. How in the world has Christianity got to the place that we can say exactly what the

opposite of what Moody is saying that we're saying that God's law is done away with? That the Sabbath is done away with, but we believe in the other nine? There's just no biblical foundation for it. I'm telling you the only reason why we do this is because the Roman Church changed it. It instituted it and we've never looked back since and we'll talk about that a little bit more as we move through this broadcast.

Again, what we're trying to do, the purpose of this, is not to get legalistic about anything. It's about getting the *most* out of your life with Christ. It's about getting the most out of your life with you, with your wife, your spouse. The more that you are in connection to know what your spouse desires and the more that you move in the direction of pleasing them of what pleases *them*, the deeper intimacy that you will have. I was talking to my daughter today, my 17 year old, one of her love languages is gifts, but not in like, you know expensive gifts, she don't care about any of that. But when someone gives her a gift that's thoughtful, that means something to her that took note. It really makes her feel loved because they're loving her the way that she wants to be loved. In the same way God wants us to give Him gifts, but His gifts that He desires is from what He's already asked us to do. So, the greatest gift that you could give God, He says, "is to love your neighbor as yourself, is to love Him with all your heart, mind, soul and strength and to love your neighbor as yourself." And he says, "the rest" listen carefully, "the rest of the law and the prophets hang off of these" you can't divorce them.

What Christianity is trying to do is we've divorced, we have forgotten, that the **Torah and the prophets are connected**. The point, the purpose, the entire end of the spear, **the mission of loving God and loving your neighbor as yourself is the** *point* **of the law**. That's why **Romans 10:4** says, "**that the end of the law is righteousness."** No, it doesn't mean the **end of the law**. It means the **point**. That word **telos** in the Greek means the **purpose of the end result of the law is righteousness**. Christ is the end of the law, not the end of the line of the law. He's the purpose. He's the point. He's the whole goal and reason. Okay, the end of marriage is children, right? Actually, I probably shouldn't have said that you might take that the wrong way. I have six and they're amazing, right? So no, the point is that the more that we learn about our spouse, the more we're going to fall in love. the deeper connection we're going to have okay. That's what this is all about. This is not about keeping God's law just to keep God's law or to get some sort of checkmark on Judgment Day. No, this is about love. It's about a love relationship. Okay. So here we go.

The Methodist say the same thing, "take the matter of Sunday." This comes from here Harris Franklin Christian Advocate, July 2nd, 1942. "There are indications in the New Testament as to how the church came to keep the first day of the week as its day of worship, but there is no passage telling Christians to keep that day or to transfer the Jewish Sabbath to that day." -Harris Franklin Rall, Christian Advocate, July 2, 1942.

Now what he's talking about? Of course, here is **First Corinthians chapter 20** and **Acts** where he's talking about they met on the first day of the week. But as we already learned the first day of the week started on Saturday night and that's when they met because Sunday was a workday in Jewish culture. They would have not just taken off, they worked on that day. Okay,

we just assume that it's Sunday morning because that's when we meet and that's we've been taught by the Roman Church. All right.

Not only did they change the Sabbath. They also changed the Passover. I have to show you the scripture. I'm sorry. I'm a nerd about this stuff. This is from the first Council of Nicaea in 325 AD. Okay. This is the epistle to the church in Alexandria. Listen to what it says. "We also send you the good news of the settlement concerning the Holy Pesach." So, they had this big meeting about what to do and how to solve certain problems in the church and one of them was when do we celebrate the resurrection? When do we celebrate Passion Week? Okay. It had always been done on Passover. Why is there anything to discuss? But there was because they're Gentiles and then there's a Jewish part of the church. So, he says "good news. We came to a reasonable result conclusion." It says, "namely that the question has been resolved in answer to your prayers. All the brethren in the East who have hitherto followed the Jewish practice," meaning the Bible "will henceforth observe the custom of the Romans and yourselves and all of us who from ancient times have kept Easter together with you." -First Council of Nicaea of 325 A.D.-Epistle to the Church in Alexandria.

What is he saying here? My friends. He's saying, "look, we've made a decision. No one's going to be celebrating Passover anymore. You're going to celebrate the resurrection on Easter like we do here in Rome." One fell swoop of the pen and the Apostles can't even celebrate Passover. Even though Jesus, Yeshua in Hebrew, Jesus Himself said at the Last Supper, which was Passover, said "do this in remembrance of me." Do what? Do Passover in remembrance of me. You don't need to do it remembrance of leaving Egypt anymore. That was all symbolic of your leaving sin, the bondage of sin. I am the bread of life that is going to be I am the new Moses, I'm taking you out of slavery. Do Passover in remembrance of me and literally the Church of Rome said "no, we're not doing that anymore. We're not doing that anymore. We're going to do it this way."

That was a lot; just in the number six and seven and we haven't even gotten to eight nine and ten. So, we're going to stop there because it's going to get a little bit long here. But there's a lot to digest ladies and gentlemen, we want you to go back through this. We want you to take a look at these reasons. If you're brand new to this channel, brand new to this concept, you don't have to believe me, believe history, believe the Scriptures. I'm not saying that every law of God is as applicable for today. There are laws you can't even keep because there's no temple. There are no sacrifices that are happening. Christ is the sacrifice for sin. But at the end of the day, salvation only comes through Christ, faith in Him only, period, without a doubt. There's no salvation outside of Christ. We're not talking about salvation. We're talking about how do we please our spouse? How do we love God if there's no written word? How do we do that? The early church had the Spirit of the Living God. They had the Scriptures what they called the Scriptures what we call the Old Testament and they lived by that, all doctrine. Second Timothy 3:16, all doctrine, correction, reproof and learning how to live in righteousness came from what we call the Old Testament. That was their word of God that they believed in. The point of this broadcast and what part three will be, in extreme detail, okay, part three is really the climax of all of this, is to explain that we've devalued in modern-day Christianity, what I call the front of the

book, the foundation of the Word of God is the front of the book. It's the Old Testament. They had such a high value on it because it was their scriptures. And today we flipped it, they put Paul's letters, although they were great, but the Scriptures were way up here in their eyes. What we've done is we've said "okay, the New Testament is way up here, this is our value system," and it should be a high value. I believe it's scripture as well, but we've devalued what they considered extraordinary value.

If we want the power of God to show up in our life and our services and our communities and our families and we want things to be healed, if you got brokenness in your life, brokenness in your family, I'm here to tell you the God has a formula to make it right to make it better to bring restoration. The Bible says in the book of Psalms, all through the book of Psalms, that when you follow God's instruction manual, it's like a river of life coming through your desert life and everything begins to bloom. You don't even know where the flowers came from out of the parched dry ground where you thought that your marriage wasn't going to make it. I've been there. I've had my own challenges in my life; great incredible challenges and some of you know what those are, very public challenges, but at the end of the day massive flower gardens grow when you trust God, when you hold on to His tallit.

So, at the end of the day, I want to encourage you, share this video with someone that you know will be challenged by this, who will be encouraged by this and we want you to know that we are behind you, that all of the we're doing here is for you and to serve you. I want to say thank you guys so much for spending the time with me on this broadcast. Make sure you share this, subscribe to our channel and send this to someone right now and comment. Let us know what you think about this. If you have any questions or anything that you would like me to cover in the future put it in the comments below. We read all of them. In the meantime, we love you, we appreciate you. Thank you for partnering with us for those of you that do, and we will see you in the next broadcast.

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