



Acts Chapter 5 Continued

RECAP LAST WEEK

Okay so lets recap a little bit of what we learned in Acts Chapter 5 last week. We spoke about the “two Christian Gods” of modern day Christianity, and that many denominational charters of men teach and preach that Jesus is a God that has replaced his father as God.

According to many different denominational charters of men the one True God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob who said very clearly that there are no other Gods or Saviors other than him in Isaiah 43:11, Isaiah 45:5, Hosea 13:4, and so on, is out of the picture and his son has replaced him all together by nailing his laws to a tree somewhere.

And yet still many different Christian denominational charters of men want to color Yahshua (Jesus) as an all encompassing all loving, and all forgiving God, who has taken the place of the “Old Testament” God.. the Father Yahovah the one true God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob.

Many of these Christian denominational charters have all but thrown out the Torah, the Tanakh, and what we know today as “The Old Testament” as being old and outdated, and nailed to the cross, and all but done away with.

Jesus is our kind loving all forgiving God today, and because he did it all for me at the cross... I can “Do As Thou Wilt” because I'm “Once Saved Always Saved” and it's all good. That old God of the “Old Testament” is done away with, his laws are done away with, his commandments, precepts, and his appointments... are all nailed to the cross.

Therefore I live in a dispensational state of grace and bliss. They will preach and teach that God was different in the beginning back when his laws meant something to him... but that he has changed today and has all but forgotten his laws, commandments, precepts and appointments in this dispensational time of “grace” and “love”.. but then he will change back again in the end when he re-institutes his laws, commandments, precepts, and appointments when he returns to set up his kingdom.

Our God.. the God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob.. who we read is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow, is now all of a sudden a God of change they will tell us. A God who knows no wrath. A God who only loves, and who does not punish anyone for any reason, and that hell is

just a myth.. “Once Saved Always Saved” they preach from the rooftops! “Dispensational Grace” they will proclaim! “Pre-Tribulation Rescue” for all who have bowed the knee for a 60 second prayer of confession!

And for all of this prosperity all you have to do is drop one tenth of your income in the golden plate... which is an “Old Testament” Levitical Law by the way.. the only Old Testament Levitical Law that they seem to hold fast to... how ironic.

And this is what they're selling the general public. And this all works well for most people because they have chosen these would be teachers for themselves because they preach prosperity, and their own brand of love, and the own brand of truth, which indeed is another Gospel to be sure.

It is another Gospel other than the one preached by the Apostles from the very beginning. It is a Gospel of deception, contrary to what the Gospel of our Messiah came to bring us.

They say that the “New Covenant” was given to the new Gentile church who has replaced Gods only chosen Israelite people even though we are told in both the Old Testament in Jeremiah 31:33 and in the New Testament in Hebrews 10:16 that God said the “New Covenant” would be made only with the “House of Israel” and that he would write his laws in the hearts and in the minds of his people so that his laws would never be forgotten.

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2Ti 4:1 I solemnly charge you before God and the Messiah Yeshua, who will judge the living and the dead when he appears and establishes his Kingdom:

*2Ti 4:2 **proclaim the Word!** Be on hand with it whether the time seems right or not. **Convict, censure and exhort** with unfailing patience and with teaching.*

*2Ti 4:3 For the time is coming when people **will not have patience for sound teaching**, but will cater to their passions and **gather around themselves teachers who say whatever their ears itch to hear.***

*2Ti 4:4 Yes, they will stop listening to the truth, **but will turn aside to follow myths.***

2Ti 4:5 But you, remain steady in every situation, endure suffering, do the work that a proclaimer of the Good News should, and do everything your service to God requires.

Now just to get a firm grip on this set of commandments I want us to look at 3 of the most accurate translations and I want us to compare them and to know and understand that all three of them say the exact same thing. I want no one to be lost or divided here

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2Ti 4:1 I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom:

*2Ti 4:2 **preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort,***

with complete patience and teaching.

2Ti 4:3 For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions,

2Ti 4:4 and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths.

2Ti 4:5 As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

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2Ti 4:1 I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

2Ti 4:2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

2Ti 4:3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

2Ti 4:4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

2Ti 4:5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

We also spoke last week about how it was the Roman Catholic Church who has lead many of Gods people into myths just as it was prophesied in 2nd Timothy 4:4 with their 1st day of the week Sunday Sabbath, Good Friday, Easter, Advent, Lent, Christmas, Valentines Day, Halloween (also known as “All Saints Day”), and it's praying to dead saints and replacing the power and authority of Yahshua with his mother Mary, who they also refer to as the “Queen of Heaven” and of course we all know that the original “Queen of Heaven” in ancient Pagan times was the Assyrian and Babylonian goddess “Ishtar” who was also called “Ashtoreth” which is where they get the very name “Easter”. And we could get into that history but for times sake we'll keep it short.

But never the less even today's “Protestant” churches have fallen prey to their mother church of Romes myths, traditions, and rituals.. all of which are man made, man fabricated, man created doctrines of demons perfectly manufactured by our adversary for maximum effectiveness as tools to ensnare the ignorant and the unstable.

We talked about the Biblical definitions of “Love” and of “Sin”. And we learned that according to scripture “Love” is not just words and emotions. “Love” is an action word, and we remember clearly what our own Messiah once said in Matthew 15 verse 8 and 9:

Mat 15:8 'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far away from me.

Mat 15:9 Their worship of me is useless, because they teach man-made rules as if they were doctrines.' "

He also told us that if we loved him we would keep his commandments in John 14:15, and the

very definition of the “Love of God” is that we keep his commandments and that his commandments are not a burden to us... also found in 1st John 5:3.

1st John 3:4 tells us clearly that “Sin” is the “transgression of the law” also known as the “violation of Torah” so the Biblical definition of “Sin” is... “The transgression of the Law” according to scripture.

We also talked about what happened to Ananias and his wife Sapphira, and we talked about how this proves with out a doubt that the laws of God still stood even then after the death burial and resurrection of our Messiah. A man and his wife were struck dead for disobedience to the Torah, and yet today we hear the same old repetition from those pour lost souls who preach and teach that all of Gods laws are nailed to some tree somewhere.

And we spoke about how many dared not follow the Apostles after what happened to Ananias and his wife Sapphira, and because of their fear... they had missed out on the multitudes of healings that took place at the Temple when throngs of people brought the sick and crippled to the Apostles to be healed, and even the shadow of Peter healed those it fell upon, and that every one of them that came that day were healed.

And last but not least we talked about the “Angle of Yahovah” who was a manifestation of God himself that opened the door of the Jail cell that Peter and John were thrown into by the Saducees, and the Pharisees to set them free.

So if you missed our last teaching on the beginning of Acts chapter 5.. once again I urge you to go back, and start from the beginning so that you'll be able to keep up as we move forward here today in the 5th chapter.. of the book of the “Acts of The Apostles” also known as “The History of Christian Origins”.

Moving Forward Into Acts Chapter 5:

Romans 13 And Obeying Governments of Men Instead of God:

As we move into the second part of our study in Acts chapter 5 I want to also address another false teaching often taught by today's many modern day Christian denominational charters of men.

Another false teaching that the Apostles themselves throw to the ground here in the book of Acts. And that is the false teaching of men that says that as Christians, Gods people need to always bow the knee to our human government.

Once again this false man made doctrine stems from those who are ignorant and unstable. It

stems from men who cherry pick a scripture from the Apostle Paul, and then turn it into lasciviousness, and just like they do the other scriptures they bend and twist the scripture into their own man made, man created, man fabricated nonsense.

This scripture that they will almost always quote is Romans 13, verse 1:

Rom 13:1 Everyone is to obey the governing authorities. For there is no authority that is not from God, and the existing authorities have been placed where they are by God.

Rom 13:2 Therefore, whoever resists the authorities is resisting what God has instituted; and those who resist will bring judgment on themselves.

Rom 13:3 For rulers are no terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you like to be unafraid of the person in authority? Then simply do what is good, and you will win his approval;

Rom 13:4 for he is God's servant, there for your benefit. But if you do what is wrong, be afraid! Because it is not for nothing that he holds the power of the sword; for he is God's servant, there as an avenger to punish wrongdoers.

Rom 13:5 Another reason to obey, besides fear of punishment, is for the sake of conscience.

Rom 13:6 This is also why you pay taxes; for the authorities are God's public officials, constantly attending to these duties.

So clearly Paul is talking about rulers that have been set up as rulers by God the Father. Men who are “no terror to good conduct”. Let me ask you something my friends. Do you suppose that the rulers of today who put Christians on the “Terrorist Watch List”, are “no terror to good conduct”?

Paul says that these rulers that he's talking about are Gods servants who are avengers to punish wrongdoers. So what about rulers that behead Christians and rape women, and who are steeped in pedophileism?.. are these governing authorities Gods servants who are avengers to punish wrongdoers?

So what happens when ISIS is the governing authority in the land? Are Gods people to follow Mohammad, and kill our brothers and sisters in the faith because the governing authority of ISIS demands that we do so?

Think.. my friends. Would Paul condone our doing such things? Would Paul have us murder our Christian brothers and sisters because the governing authorities command us to do so?

Or could it be that Paul was talking about a specific God ordained governing authority? A governing authority that he himself had placed upon the Earth? His governing authority... his prophets, priests, his Levitical Priesthood.. his court system.. his Levitical Priesthood and his High Priest?

What did the Devil tell Yahshua when he took him high upon a mountain top to try and tempt

him do you remember? Lets take a look at that scripture:

Luk 4:5 And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time,

Luk 4:6 and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will.

Luk 4:7 If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours."

And what did our Messiah say to him in return? Did he say no Devil you are a liar, the authority and the glory of these earthly kingdoms do not belong to you?

No he did not! He simply said.. and I quote:

Luk 4:8 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, "'You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.'"

So who has authority over the kingdoms of the world according to this scripture?

According to scripture the Devil has authority over the kingdoms of the Earth.. but why?

Because man has bowed the knee to the wicked one instead of bowing the knee to the one true God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob. Man has made the decision to make Gods adversary the "god of this world".

2Co 4:4 In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

Joh 12:31 Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out.

1Jn 5:19 We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.

Joh 8:44 You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

Joh 8:45 But because I tell the truth, you do not believe me.

Now... I want us to understand this scripture in Romans 13 because it will often be used to put a Christian under the control of a ruling man made government. This very scripture in fact, was used by Hitler himself.. to get the Christians of his time to submit, and to turn in their fellow Jews over into the hands of his henchmen.

With this scripture in mind.. I want us to see and understand what Peter and John told the

governmental authorities in their time back in Acts Chapter 4.

Act 4:19 But Kefa and Yochanan answered, "You must judge whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you rather than God."

Now.. I want you to understand... that what I am going to present to you here today on this topic is going to become even more important in the days to come. And I think it's more than fair to say that most Christians today can already see the world warring against Christianity and the truth of Gods Holy Scripture just like the Pharisees and Saducees were warring against Peter and John in Acts chapter 4 and 5.

The world is warring against those of us who believe in the Gospel message of our Messiah, and we are even now being placed on the "Terrorist Watch List" here in the Untied States of America, for doing nothing more than believing in Gods Word.

The same Word I might ad, that our founding fathers believed in over 200 years ago. The same Word that is mentioned in the Mayflower Compact that was written before they even ever got off the boat.

The same Word that George Washington and many United States Presidents after him had put their right hand upon when they were officially sworn into office. Yes that very same Word. And yet today those of us who believe in that very same Word that we have believed in for generations.. are now being listed on what today's Department of Homeland Security calls their "Terrorist Watch List".

Now with that being said I want us to understand what Paul said in Romans chapter 13, in contrast to what we see the Apostles saying and doing in the book of Acts when God himself broke them out of Jail in Acts 5:19.

Did the Apostles bow the knee to the powers of those men who were governing over them that day? No they did not... in fact we see that this governing body of men had them beaten and flogged in Acts chapter 5 verse 40, and back in verse 33 we're told that they even wanted to kill them and would have done so if Gamliel would not have stood up and warned them that they may be fighting against God himself in verse 39.

So then we must ask the question.. why did the Apostles not obey the governing body of that day? Does it not seem that according to Paul they should have obeyed the governing authorities?

Let me ask you this my friends.. did God put these Saducees, and Pharisees and these "High Priests" in position of authority or did man?

Did we not explain clearly... that after the Maccabean revolt back in 164BC the Hasmon family under the authority of the Maccabee's removed Gods High Priest who was in the blood line of Arron? And did we not talk about how they replaced the High Priest of God with their own High Priest?

According to Levitical law Gods High Priest had to be from within the blood line of Arron, but after the Maccabean revolt they removed the descendant of Arron and replaced him with their own leadership.

So is this man made, man created, man fabricated governmental body now ordained by God? I would submit to you my friends that it was not, and neither are today's rulers ordained by God the Father (at least not many of them).

Why did the Apostles not bow the knee to those governing over them like Paul said they should in Romans 13?

I would submit to you my friends that the Apostles in the book of Acts chapter 5 did not bow the knee to the men who were governing over them for the same reason that Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego did not bow the knee to King Nebuchadnezzar. We are to obey those who govern over us as long as it does not conflict with the Laws of our Father.

Now let me try to focus in on exactly what that means, and what Paul was trying to tell us. I think that we can all agree.. that Paul would never condone or agree with anyone obeying man instead of God.

One of the best ways to understand this is to understand the difference between “Preference” and “Morals”. Both our “Preference” and our “Morals” cause us to make certain decisions, and I want to help us draw a line between the two.

If I say that I like Country Music over Rock and Roll, that's my “preference”, it's not a “Moral” issue, it's simply my personal “preference”. If I like the color blue instead of the color yellow that's simply a matter of “preference”.

My “preference” can be either of the two colors and I am in no way offending God my father no matter which color I choose. I can choose freely with out condemnation. God gives me the freedom to choose which ever color I like over the other.

Now “moral” decision are different. If I decide that abortion and murdering a child in the womb of it's mother is okay because we need to protect a woman's choice. That's a “moral” decision. And that decision goes against the laws of God our Father.

You see I'm not free to make that decision. I am bound to obey my Fathers will, and not mans. "Moral" decisions are a matter of human will, and human will is lead by the Ruach Hakodesh also known as the Spirit of God that dwels with in every believer.

Meshack, Shadrack, and Abandigo knew that it was forbidden to bow the knee to any other god even though the King that governed over them commanded them to do so. So Meshack, Shadrack, and Abandigo were sent into the fiery furnace. Meshack, Shadrack, and Abendigo, stood for what was right in the eyes of Yahovah God rather than man, and even though there were bound and thrown into the fiery furnace... they were delivered.

David also knew that it was wrong for any man to command him not to pray to the God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob, and so he broke the law commanded by King Darius who governed over him and was sent into a den of lions, and yet.. he was delivered.

These were "Moral" laws. These men had a decision to make when it came to obeying man or God, and they rightly chose God. And so it is that when we read scripture that seems to be hard to understand.. we must look back at scripture to find examples of these kinds of situations in order to know and understand what the scripture is actually trying to tell us.

Paul clearly wanted us to live in peace with our surroundings as much as it depends on us.

Rom 12:18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

So the question then becomes.. is it possible to always live peaceably with all? Can we live peaceably under the governmental rule of ISIS do you suppose? Not while obeying our Father we can not.

Notice what Paul says here.. "as far as it depends on you" "if possible". Now when governments and charters of men begin to make Godless laws outside of the will of God, are we then to bow the knee to his adversary? Is that okay as long as we are obeying the will of our man made governments?

I want to read you an article from a website called "Culture News" dated December 5th 2007: <http://culturecampaign.blogspot.com/2007/12/pastor-found-guilty-of-hate-crime.html>

The day and the hour is coming when we as Christians are going to be forced to make these kinds of "Moral" decisions. In fact we're already being forced to make them, even though most of us sit quietly in our shame and do nothing as millions of children are murdered in the wombs of their mothers and their body parts are cut out of them on cold steel trays and sold the the highest bidder.

The day and hour is coming when we as Christians are going to have to wake up, and make that

all important “Moral” decision as to whether or not we stand with the “World” and with the “Majority”.. or whether we stand with the one true God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob.

The day and the hour is coming when many of us will be thrown into prison for the name of Yahshua our Messiah, and yet even as I am proclaiming this very day and hour is soon to come... many Christians watching this very video teaching will simply roll their eyes and will scoff.. even though this very day and hour has been prophesied by our own Messiah over 2000 years ago:

Mat 24:7 For peoples will fight each other, nations will fight each other, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various parts of the world;

Mat 24:8 all this is but the beginning of the 'birth-pains.'

Mat 24:9 At that time you will be arrested and handed over to be punished and put to death, and all peoples will hate you because of me.

Mat 24:10 At that time many will be trapped into betraying and hating each other,

Mat 24:11 many false prophets will appear and fool many people;

Mat 24:12 and many people's love will grow cold because of increased distance from Torah.

Mat 24:13 But whoever holds out till the end will be delivered.

Mat 24:14 And this Good News about the Kingdom will be announced throughout the whole world as a witness to all the Goyim. It is then that the end will come.

Notice that our Messiah does not preach or teach about a “Pr-Tribulation Rescue” in this scripture. In fact this is what it says in Luke chapter 12 verse 11:

Luk 12:11 "When they bring you before the synagogues and the ruling powers and the authorities, don't worry about how you will defend yourself or what you will say;

Luk 12:12 because when the time comes, the Ruach HaKodesh will teach you what you need to say."

If we think that we are going to be able to ignore God and bow the knee to man because of what Paul said in Romans chapter 13... we'd better think again.

What Paul was trying to tell us is to live peaceably as long as it is up to us, but when governments of men begin to write “immoral” and “UN-Godly” laws and demand that we bow the knee to the god of this world rather than to the God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob.. it is no longer up to us to live peaceably among the Gentiles of the World.

Is civil disobedience ever allowed according to scripture?

My friends I would submit to you that according to scripture.. and the truth that we can clearly

see concerning men like Meshack, Shadrack, and Abendego, who were sent into the fiery furnace for standing up against the governing power of King Nebuchadnezzar, and King David who was sent into the lions den for standing up against the governing power of King Darius, and our own Messiah who fashioned a whip out of cords and cracked that whip and turned over the tables and chased those evil men out of his Fathers Temple.. according to the truth of scripture that we see even after our Messiah's death burial and resurrection in Acts chapter 5 and all throughout the New Testament writings as the Apostles continually engage in civil disobedience and rebel against the governing power of men.. There is no doubt.. that civil disobedience is not only allowed.. it is at times required of us.

In America especially we have today the freedom of speech at least for the moment. We have the power of the vote, we have the power of numbers with over 75% of the United States still professing to be... Christians.

God has given us everything we need to make a difference in this country. God has given us every tool we need to stop abortion... God has delivered into our hands the tools we need to fight peaceably... against the indoctrination of our children in our schools, and the wickedness of men who teach and preach homosexuality, and transgenderism, and pedophilia as an option for our children.

Today my friends we can stand and fight peaceably and with out fists and weapons.. but rather with our voices, and our votes, and in our numbers.. but I warn you my friends... those tools that we have been given if not used today.. will indeed fall away and the window of opportunity to fight peaceably will be taken away if we do not use it, and if that happens... our children will pay the ultimate price, and you can rest assured.. that our Father will not be happy with our immoral decision to sit and do nothing when we had the opportunity to stop it.

We will not only be judged for what we have done my friends... but also for the things we did not do.

They will herd our children like animals, and they will use them for their good pleasure, and there will be nothing that you will be able to do about it. They will continue to write laws that help Pedophiles to enter into not only their rest rooms but also their locker rooms and showers to make our children easy prey for any predator.

They will teach our children how politically correct, and how noble it is to become homosexuals, and part of the transgender, and LGBT community. They will strap our children down to gurneys and force vaccinations of D&A altering drugs into their veins full of wicked things that they have genetically modified in their laboratories.

The children that our adversary can not lawfully murder through abortion he will genetically modify through homosexuality, and transgenderism, vaccinations, and mind altering drugs. Men

mixing their D&A with men, and women with women. He will change their original human D&A with that of animals and insects. He will destroy their minds with mind altering drugs so that they will no longer be able to have the free will to believe or have faith in their Messiah.

He will make them believe that their Messiah is a joke.. a myth.. and that all things were created through evolution. He will mesmerize them, and hypnotize them with his music industry and his entertainment industry and his movies and the child you sent to school this morning will not be the child that returns to you that evening.

Our adversary is working diligently to take away the tools that we have to fight with peaceably... and not only to take away the tools that we have, but to throw us into prisons so that we can be silenced and easily dealt with behind closed doors.

You see the illusion that most Christians have is that they will be jailed and persecuted for being Christians, but that's not going to be the case my friends. We will not be jailed and persecuted for being Christians. We will be jailed and persecuted for being "hate mongers". We will be jailed and persecuted for being "Terrorists". We will be jailed and persecuted for standing up for a make believe God who is full of hate and discord.

If we learn nothing else from Acts chapter 5 let us learn the importance of standing for what is right in the eyes of God our Father. The freedom given to us by God is not a "freedom" to do as thou wilt.. it is the freedom to do as we ought to do in the eyes of God.

And for those of us who shrink back and do nothing.. for those of us who refuse to put our hands to the plow... for those of us who continue to hide under our beds and pray while bowing the knee to the god of this world.. know what is written in Hebrews 10: 37 through 39:

Heb 10:37 For, "Yet a little while, and the coming one will come and will not delay;

Heb 10:38 but my righteous one shall live by faith, and if he shrinks back, my soul has no pleasure in him."

Heb 10:39 But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.

The difference between professing Christians who honor him with their lips but who's hearts are far from him and us my friends is that we will never shrink back and be destroyed.

The Ruach Hakodesh is rooted firmly in us, and our hearts belong to him.. and by the grace of God our Father and his through the power of his Ruach Hakodesh we will STAND and we will endure to the end.