

Did You Know??????

- That “ALL SCRIPTURE is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness” (II Timothy 3:16)?
- That Jesus said He did not come to abolish the Law and the Prophets? (Matthew 5:17-18)
- That Jesus “fulfilled” them by fulfilling prophecies? (Matthew 2:17, Matthew 26:34, Luke 4:17-21, Luke 22:37, Luke 24:27, Luke 24:44, John 17:12)
- That if you continue reading in Matthew 5, in verse 19 Jesus says:
“Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and so teaches others, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.” (Read v. 20 also.)
- That God established His “Law” even before Moses? (Genesis 26:5)
- That the Law or Torah was given as loving instructions for living a healthy, safe, and holy life and we are to delight in it? (Ps. 119 – the longest chapter in the Bible, by the way!)
- That God established His law forever? (II Kings 17:37, Malachi 4)
- That obeying the Law isn’t a Jewish thing, it’s a God thing! There were no “Jews” in the first five books of the Bible. **AND** Throughout the Torah, God says His covenant is not just for the Israelites, but also for those who are sojourners with them? (Exodus 12:49, Numbers 15:16,29; Leviticus 18:26) (meaning those who believe and follow Him/those who are grafted in -- see Romans 11)
- That the “New Covenant” is found in Jeremiah 31: 31-33, and it says God will write law on our hearts – same law- but inside us now because that’s where the Holy Spirit is!
- That our bodies are the temple now. (II Corinthians 6:16) What was the first thing placed in the temple? The stone tablets! God wrote His law on our hearts!
- That God pours out His blessings on those who obey Him, and curses those who don’t? (Deut. 28-30, Deut. 11, Lev. 26) *special blessings on those who keep His Sabbath (Isaiah 56, 58:13-14)
- That the Sabbath day that we are to “keep holy” (Ex. 20:8, Ex. 31:12-17) is actually the seventh day? (Gen. 2:3, Ex. 20:11) **AND** God never gave us permission to choose our own day. (see Ex. 16) The apostles and early church did not change the Sabbath to Sunday (Acts 13:14, Acts 13:27, Acts 13:42, Acts 13:44, Acts 15:21, Acts 16:13, Acts 18:4, Heb. 4:9) – this was done by Constantine and The Council of Laodicea in the 4th century when it was decided that Christians would be killed for resting on Saturday or keeping any of God’s feasts.
- That God is the same yesterday, today, and forever (Heb. 13:8, Num. 23:19, 20, I Sam 15:29, Ps. 33:11). **AND** The New Testament does not contradict the Old Testament.
- The apostles and teachers in the New Testament always consulted the Torah to verify what was being taught. (Acts 17:11). They were not teaching something new.

- That Paul obeyed the law (Acts 21:24, 22:3, 24:14, 25:8, I Corinthians 11:1-2, II Thessalonians 2:15), never spoke against God's law (Romans 7:12, Romans 3:31), but was misunderstood (I Peter 3:16) and falsely accused? (Acts 21:28) *He was trying to say that the law doesn't save you, which of course it doesn't! He even says he is not "under the law" in I Corinthians 9:20.
- That God gave us feasts and special days to learn more about Him and His ways, and they are not Christmas and Easter? (Leviticus 23)
- That Christmas and Easter both have their roots in pagan idolatry (PLEASE RESEARCH THESE HOLIDAYS!) and God commands us not to do what the pagans did, to not even mix or combine it with what He instructed. (Deuteronomy 12:29-32, II Kings 17:24-41, I Kings 12). God's people adopted pagan worship, but said (and thought) they were worshiping God. (Exodus 32: 1-6, I Kings 12:25-33, II Kings 17: 28-33)
- That God specifically said we are not to add to nor take away from what He said to do? (Deut. 4:2, Deut. 12:32, Ecclesiastes 3:14, Rev.22:18-19)
- That the 10 tribes of Israel are scattered among the Gentiles into the nations because of their refusal to obey God, and you might be one of them? (Ezekiel 36:19, Romans 9:24-26)
- That there is more information about the Last Days in the Old Testament than in the New? (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Joel)
- That we will not be raptured before the Tribulation? (Matthew 24:1-31)
- That we are saved by grace through faith (Ephesians 2:8) AND faith involves not just hearing, but doing? (James 1:22,25 , James 2:17-20) After we confess Him as our Lord and Savior we need to walk as He walked (WWJD) (I John 2:6). He obeyed the law perfectly (II Corinthians 5:21, Heb. 4:15). This is not legalism, but obedience out of love for God (Romans 3:31)
- That Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." (John 14:15) (I John 2:3-5, I John 5:1-3)
- "The conclusion, when all has been heard is: fear God and keep His commandments, because this applies to every person." Ecclesiastes 12:13