

# Let's Review



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For those who are new to our message, let's review a few things.

Mankind is fallen. God placed us in the Garden of Eden in our eternal bodies to manage things for Him. We did so by His revelation. At some point, we were tempted and chose to trust in our own talents and capabilities. This placed us under a curse, and we were burdened with the same mortal form as the creatures in the Garden we were tending. We lost our management position and were kicked out of the Garden.

The only way back in is to restore our submission to His revelation, symbolized by the Flaming Sword. It's the S/Word; the first command is nailing the flesh to the Cross. We approach that Word wading through this fallen existence, having to drag our rebellious fleshly nature all the way back. The flesh is Satan's chief ally, and he has been appointed to rule over this world. Our real enemy is not the people around us, but our own fleshly natures. The only escape is that S/Word.

The Word is represented as a Flaming Sword for a reason: It represents our God's revealed image as the Glorious Warlord. We are His feudal servants. In accordance to the imagery of the Ancient Hebrew culture, we submit to Him as Master and are adopted into His family. While we live in this world, the only safety is to remain within the boundaries of His camp. His camp is defined by the Covenant, also called Biblical Law. Up until the time of Jesus, the Hebrew Scriptures used "law" and "covenant" as synonyms. Only later did "law" as a term become corrupted by referring to the Talmudic false law.

When the leaders of Israel corrupted their understanding of the Word by embracing Hellenistic philosophy (roughly 300 BC) we got Judaism. That religion is legalism, not at all like the mystical faith of Moses. Judaism today is nothing more than the Pharisaism

Jesus condemned in His teaching. He called the people back to Covenant and the mystical viewpoint of Moses. This was to prepare the way for His vestment as the Messiah. That Covenant had to be fulfilled in the Messiah so that He could institute a new one.

His people had abandoned the Covenant and bore a false understanding of God. Those who insisted on staying with that false religion were excluded. The Old Covenant died on the Cross and He instituted a New Covenant in His blood.

*Following Jesus still puts us under the Covenant.* The word "Christian" means following Christ, and He was a Hebrew mystic.

The Covenant is not fulfilled by simply changing your mind about Jesus. It's not a matter of opinion, but conviction and total commitment. You are still obliged to submit to Him as feudal Master and stay within the boundaries of the Covenant. The Father does not recognize you as His family without the Covenant. If you are not consciously obeying His Son, you are not covered. You are outside the camp and under Satan's authority.

Every human government in this world today is under Satan's authority. Not one is under the Covenant. So God does not deal directly with any government, nor any human, until they submit to His Covenant in His Son. Jesus is the Covenant; He is the Living Law of God.

There is nothing to gain by attempting to shape human behavior through seeking to influence fallen human governments. You are foolish to try, playing into Satan's hands. Even if they were to obey laws we design for them, there is no blessing for them or us, until it is all placed under the Covenant. Activism is a dead end, a lie from Satan.

It won't matter what evil we can point out in any human government or other human agency; God has placed it in Satan's hands. The only actions we can take are described in the New Testament as teachings of how to obey the Covenant. In theory, you could, just barely, create a covenant community large enough to act as a local government in obedience to the Covenant. However, we have been warned repeatedly in the Word not to expect much in that direction.

Our whole purpose in life is to avoid any effort to try to fix this fallen world. Rather, we wade through it on our way back to Eden. Whatever Satan makes of this world is not our concern; it's his domain. We stay focused on the mystical otherworldly message of following Jesus to the Cross. We despair of any good thing in this life. Yes, we'll celebrate when God grants covenant blessings, but the real blessing is that He is preparing us to go Home to be with Him. Our lives here serve no other purpose but His glory while we are here.

Don't get entangled in this world. Don't respond according to human expectations, but always consider how the context can be exploited to boost the Father's reputation. Whatever price you must pay in this life, it is no great loss to suffer or die. This life is not precious.

The world is in turmoil as sin crescendos yet again. For now, nothing we see quite matches up to what God said would come with the End of Time. Instead, we are not approaching The End, but another Noah Event. The Father is currently stirring up our sun and the entire solar system is slowly plodding toward a vast solar catastrophe, a micro-nova. Most of the human population on this planet will die; that's how our God handles things when sin rises to such a level as it does now. That awful day appears to be coming within roughly 20 years (not much later than the mid-2040s), but maybe sooner.

The only useful response we have is to tighten our discipline, not by rules, but by our convictions, which are the voice of God in our hearts. We must rebuild the faith that once saw the earth tremble and the sky fall without solar disturbances. The Lord is opening up the treasury of blessings for those who come inside the Covenant.

Let's strive for His favor.

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