## BLOG 102 D. Don't dismiss God's law.

It is imperative that we; have & teach obedience, (faith in action), to go along with prayer, as one without the other defeats God's purpose for all of us.

Prayer without obedience will bear no fruit & is no more productive than the legalistic "holy" standards of those that teach law without love & who base religion on what people say, do, are taught & not just on what God says & Jesus did.

You cannot have a true love of the power & love of God, without having a reverence & fear of what that power does & is capable of doing.

Remember the Law is the instrument used to put the old sinful nature to death, so that we can show grace, so that souls will be won, not so that people are just made to feel better about themselves.

Scripture tells us, the function of the law is so people will recognize & understand sin, which will lead to repentance and Grace, salvation. Romans 3:20, Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law, we become conscious of the sin & see that there is no way to keep the law to save ourself, which brings about the realization of the need for a savior & repentance, that if we didn't understand, we wouldn't repent from & would perish. 1 Cor. 1:18, for the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

We must understand like in the book of Acts- The church was never meant to be obsessed with worship, but to become consumed with reaching the lost & that Jesus, nor the apostles ever taught that by following the master, one would have a good easy life without hurt or pain. They also never taught, love Jesus & you will be saved; pray and you will have a good life, or any of the happy fuzzy life feelings that many lost churches teach today.

Many today teach the love of Jesus and have eliminated the Laws of God, they have created New Testament churches, with no need for the Old Testament which taught the truths & laws & need for repentance in our lives.

We cannot make it to Heaven on Jesus' love without understanding that we are condemned to hell by the law & we must understand this fully to see why we need Jesus. So once we carefully, but consciously get someone to understand sin & transgressions, in relation to the 10 commandments, then the Good news that we deliver will not seem foolish, or offensive to them, as they will understand the need for the saving grace & salvation of Jesus, where if they are not sorrowful about their sins, then they wouldn't understand the seriousness & may even believe that they are good enough & only need to believe in Jesus, even without repentance, in which there can only be death & be no saving.

It is not necessary to know The 10 Commandments by heart, though they should be seen & known & understood as God's mirror for sinful man & that the purpose is to allow people to come to realize that they are sinners separated from God, who do deserve hell, for breaking the law, and as God says, if you have broken one, then you have broken all, as it is one complete set, to be adhered to fully, and by knowing & admitting your failures in relation to these laws, then you can approach the Cross of Christ & become redeemed, so don't dismiss God out of foolish beliefs, but study & know His word, for your eternal salvation..