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New Radio Programs

Four new programs on the First Book to the Corinthians have been uploaded to the radio archive:

1 Corinthians 2:3-9 Hidden Wisdom

1 Corinthians 2:10-14 Spirit of God

1 Corinthians 2:10-16 Instruction of God

1 Corinthians 3:1-4 Milk of the Scriptures

Question about the Law

I hope you and your team are doing well. I have a question about what Christians should be doing in terms of feasts, celebrations, rituals (if that's a Godly thing to do?), etc. What should they be doing?

I ask because they celebrate Christmas and Easter, both of which, it is my understanding, are pagan and rooted in evil. Also because Jesus Christ changed some (but which ones specifically??) of the physical activities and rituals that used to be required through His death and resurrection. For example, there is no longer

the killing of any animals for sacrifices. Also, it is my understanding that Saturday is actually the Sabbath day, not Sunday as the pagans have essentially taken over God's creation and commands for what time it is (are we really in 2025?), what the days are called, what the months are called, so on and so forth.

It's my understanding that we are not to add to, nor take from, any of God's word. And I think that practicing any of these pagan rituals, and trying to justify it (like somehow Christians could have 'converted' an evil celebration and made it good), or remaining ignorant of them, embodies the adding to or taking from His word.

Have you already done a sermon on this? Do you have materials that already address these questions and concerns? I'd like to see them if you have! If not, can you please provide some clarity or answers on this?

Your help and guidance on this is greatly appreciated.

THE RESPONSE:

I have not produced any specific recordings on this topic, but the fundamental issues are scattered throughout the radio programs in the archive. There are some programs that would likely be of more interest, such as the ones I recorded on the Sabbath, and Keeping the Commandments.

The first thing to keep in mind is that if you believe doing these things are important, then you should start with changing your life so that you are observing these things. You will not likely find anyone interested in you or I telling

them to observe these things, as everyone will do what they believe is right regardless. So, I would encourage you to stay true to your convictions, and be sure that you are in obedience to God to His satisfaction.

I of course have different convictions, but I could point out a few things you might find interesting to consider.

With regards to the Sabbath day, being Saturday and not Sunday, most assemblies are meeting on Sunday. This allows you to observe the Sabbath by staying in your dwelling place, and not traveling to assemble with others. Assembling on Sunday was commemorative of the resurrection of Jesus, and also allowed for people to observe the Sabbath law on the day before. I understand there are a lot of people who would like to say Sunday is the sabbath, but I don't think this misunderstanding has any significance at all. Those who want to believe Sunday is the sabbath do not normally observe the requirements of the sabbath law anyway on Sunday, so calling it that, and observing it are two completely different things. There are assemblies around who like to meet on Saturdays, but I personally feel that this is in violation of the Sabbath law by leaving their individual dwelling places to assemble together.

With regards to the appointed festivals, I would just point out two of them to start with. The Feast of Tabernacles has the requirement that you are physically present in Jerusalem, and you dwell in a temporary structure composed of 4 plants (not just decorated with them) for 7 days. It is unlikely you are going to get a permit there in Jerusalem to do that, even if you manage to physically arrive there every year. The Passover is similar, in that you are required to physically be in Jerusalem, but there is no temple to sacrifice your lamb, and it might be a challenge to find a place where you can roast it by fire, suspended by a stick made of olive so the steam from the moisture in the wood does not boil the meat as you cook it. My point is that if you want to believe that God requires us to

observe the festivals, they you be sure that you do it. Do not pass judgement on others who are not, especially when you don't hold true to your convictions yourself.

I have interacted with a lot of pagans in my many years of being in Christ. I am very familiar with the paganism of Greek Philosophy, to Romans and Catholicism, and several of the modern variants that have little to do with either. What I can say that might be of interest is that they would all be offended at your suggestion that Christians are observing pagan rituals, celebrations or holidays. The reason why is not complicated, it is because the Christians are not observing them correctly according to any of the pagan standards. So, I can understand why you might be offended at what Christians are doing, but I can say with confidence that the pagans are likely much more offended than you are.

In the midst of all of these things, I personally feel there are other questions that have more importance to the Lord. What does God want, and what is God doing? I don't think either of those have anything to do with what you have brought up here. However, if you feel that these things do have importance, like I said, definitely start with yourself.

Also, next time you contact me, please do not do so anonymously. You know who I am, so you tell me who you are.

Hope this helps, Aaron,

Most Sincerely, Aaron Teaching Pastor for Living God Ministries

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