Yes, But is it a Salvation Issue?

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Chapter 1: The minimalist faith

amen thank you Glenn okay here we are strange title for a lesson but I thought it was necessary yeah but is it a Salvation issue why am I doing this lesson well for a number of reasons I think all of us can probably attest to the fact that when we're talking to people about um focusing their attention on the entirety of of God's word uh for the purposes of obedience we've we've probably run up against this question uh from people in the church uh certainly uh I have used this question a number of times uh in my life so I thought it was important to talk about

it because the the audience that this is really targeted to isn't necessarily those in this group it's not necessarily those people who have already circumcised their hearts to be obedient to the ways of the lord it's it's for those people who are wrestling with it it's for those people who might even be opposing it uh so I thought it was important to kind of quickly go through it it's not an intensely deep lesson but something that I thought would be good for us really to know how to respond to it as well if if someone rattles off this question to you so yeah but is this this

is a Salvation issue examining the dangers of a minimalist faith and I think I coin that phrase minimalist faith I think it just came to my mind uh because that's really what we're talking about we're talking about someone who uh has a a faith that in which they only do that which was is absolutely required unfortunately that's the tenants of many religions in the world today and so let's get into it here during my time in the Christian

Chapter 2: Addressing salvation issues

church I frequently encountered and personally wrestled with the question is it a Salvation issue when confronted with the call to obey God's word this question I've have come to realize reflects what I have called a minimalist approach to Faith one that prioritizes securing eternal life while minimizing the perceived need for obedience such reasoning often functions as a rationale to disregard scriptural commands deemed inconvenient or unnecessary however a biblically grounded Faith does not reduce obedience to a question of necessity for salvation but rather views it as the natural response of love and covenantal loyalty to God when someone asks that question is it a Salvation issue to me

what it is what it sounds like is in the simplest of terms that question is similar to what's the least I need to do in the way of obedience to secure my place in eternity now it goes without saying that when it comes to earning your salvation we know that's impossible one secures their place in eternity through their faith in Yeshua and the sacrifice he made on the cross okay but then there are things that we do in response to that things that we obey in response to that salvation and it's those things that end up being called into question by many people in the Evangelical world

as to what they absolutely must do to stay safe spiritually so to speak another way of saying it is what can I get away with not doing another way of saying it is if it's not a Salvation issue I'm not going to do

it so all of these are very similar to the origin original question of is it a Salvation issue because that's really at the heart of what your a person is asking when they ask that and we ask many questions like this many of us did many of us have and many of us hear a lot of questions like this when confronted with being obedient

to certain commands which commands things like Shabbat Sabbath uh things like food laws things like the festivals these are the things that really get rejected or objected to with questions like this isn't that just a a legalism aren't you just being legalistic hey we're under grace we're not under law one of my favorites as long as my heart is in the right place because God knows knows my heart and this last one aren't we free in Christ now you look at that list and you go wow sh that's those are I've said those things we've all said those things before we came into an understanding of the

ways of the Lord I have and since coming to an understanding of the ways of the Lord every time I hear these things even though I'm guilty of it myself it just is like rubbing fingernails crossed a a chalkboard and and I wanted to for the sake of this lesson not just dig into our original question of whether or not it's a Salvation issue but I wanted to look at some of these as

Chapter 3: Delighting in God's law

well okay so is it a Salvation issue compare that question I want to just take a moment to com compare that question that one might ask to a few things that David had said in regards to the ways of the Lord Psalm 19 he says the law of the Lord is perfect converting the soul the testimony of the Lord is sure making wise the simple the statutes of the Lord are right rejoicing the heart the Commandment of the Lord is pure enlightening the eyes the fear of the Lord is clean enduring forever the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether more to be desired are

they than gold yes than much fine gold sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb so right off the bat if you're watching this YouTube viewer because you're curious to whether or not certain things are salvation issues I want you to take a moment and compare those two statements one being a question is it a Salvation issue to David's words and thoughts and heart towards the ways of the Lord you see completely two different things there he does it again Psalms 25 he does it hundreds of times but I've chosen a couple of them here show me your ways oh Lord teach me your paths Lead Me In

Your Truth and teach me for you are the god of my salvation on you I wait all the day long so when we ask that question is this a Salvation issue that question makes it sound like whatever command is in question let's just pick one for the moment of conversation let's just say it's Shabbat when you ask that question in response to a challenge to be obedient to shabbat it makes it sound almost like it's not worthy of being obeyed it's not important enough it's not worth your investment as if yah gave us optional Commandments and open for discussion inst instructions instead we should be delighting in

every word of God asking if something is a Salvation issue is you putting it on the table and considering whether or not you're going to obey it because if it doesn't benefit you some way then maybe you shouldn't bother obeying it in the first place Psalm 40 in concerning Delight ing in the word of God I David Delight to do your will oh my God and your law is within my heart now if you're watching this you might initially your knee-jerk reaction might be because this was one of my knee-jerk reactions back in the day well you're showing me passages about David in the old Testament delighting

in the law of God but we live under the New Testament right so if that's the case then nobody in the New Testament should be delighting in the law of God the way David did of course what do we see we see that Paul who supposedly is the champion of lawlessness in the Christian world making the emphatic statement that he like David Delights in the law of God according to the inward man so again if you're watching this and you're toying around with this question in your heart you should already begin to see some challenges you should already begin to see some things not making s and

this this statement

Chapter 4: The weight of disobedience

here is super important and I and I may need to uh do some clarification we as a people need to understand that any commandment willfully and intentionally rejected or ignored is potentially a Salvation issue what do I mean by that we can come to faith in Christ and for whatever reason make a decision that we are not going to obey something again for the sake of conversation let's pick one let's call it Shabbat which is an eternal command a sign between yah and his people if we come to faith in Christ and we are confronted at some point with the command to observe Shabbat and we willfully

or intentionally reject it or diminish it or lower its importance then that absolutely can potentially be a Salvation issue now I'm not the judge none of us are the judge we're not gonna be able to tell you or anyone that you're going to quote unquote hell for making that decision only he can make that decision but it is potentially a Salvation issue why which of us are going to tell God which of his commands we're not going to obey we see this passage in Hebrews 10 that for many people in the Christian World scare them to die death but I think it it's not it's it's not

it shouldn't scare us to death it should help us to understand the nature of willfully and intentionally rejecting any command or teaching from the Lord he says in Hebrews 10 here if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth okay we should really stop there and talk about that for a moment Glenn um when you read this as a Christian you know in your life the truth correct me if I'm wrong the truth that you thought you had come to a knowledge of was probably something about Yeshua and salvation or something about discipleship or something about baptism would that be accurate that's correct

so is that the truth though that the writer of Hebrews here is talking about when I'm not sure if you were with us back then Glenn but some years ago before I was recording these lessons we did a lesson on truth and we did a deep dive on what truth is and who gets to own truth and we learned that that only the father gets to own truth and everybody else is a liar you may recall well what was that truth the truth that we determined in our deep study was obedience to his ways obedience to his truth obedience to the law that's that's what we arrived

at we could tell that the the truth in this regard wasn't necessarily Yeshua dying for our sins although that is a Monumental truth the truth that we discovered was what it meant to respond to that amazing gift of Salvation how we ought to live in response to that amazing gift of Salvation and that response was to be obedient to every word of God everything that we could possibly be obedient to that is what it means to come to a knowledge of the truth so once we've come to that knowledge of the truth a truth being that Shabbat is still with us and we should still be observing

it that the food laws never went away and we shouldn't be eating bacon that the festivals were all about Yeshua and we should be observing those and rejecting the the false pagan holidays of the world those are those are the things that we came to understand as the truth so once we have come to understand those things if we willfully decide that we're not going to do that or that we're going to ride the fence having one foot in the church and one foot out then he goes into this there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins what does he mean by that the sacrifice has already

been made so if you willfully decide once you understand the truth to not follow that truth then there is no more sacrifice left for you in other words there's no other way to save you but a certain fearful expectation that word certain means inevitable fearful expectation of judgment and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries which is an interesting word he uses here or she whoever the writer of Hebrews is because right there in that first sentence we can see that that person who willfully rejects something is considered an adversary and that's not how many in the Evangelical world would see themselves hey I'm a follower of

Jesus but now I don't follow Shabbat but I'm still following Jesus well no you're not and according to the author of Hebrews you're actually an adversary of the truth anyone who has rejected Moses's law died without Mercy on the testimony of two or three Witnesses of how much worse punishment do you suppose will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot counted the blood of the Covenant by which he was Sanctified a common thing and insulted the spirit of Grace okay we have to talk about that Glenn when you read the letters in blue what is that telling you who is the audience

who is he talking to here well if it's Hebrews probably talking to the Jews but I'm sure it applies to the Gentiles also well more specifically he's talking to somebody who has been Sanctified somebody who has come into a relationship with the Creator right they've receiv knowledge of Truth yes they have received the knowledge of the truth but they've treated it as a common thing something that's not that important and it becomes an insult to the spirit of Grace considering the cost that was paid to buy that sanctification so I go back up to my original statement any Commandment that we willfully or intentionally reject or ignore

potentially is a Salvation issue for you now what does that look like on Judgment Day I don't know and I'm not here to tell you that I understand that all we can do is read the word and what it says 1 John 2 this is how we know that we know him if we keep his Commandments again if you're watching this and you're wrestling with whether or not to keep Shabbat or whether or not to eat that ham sandwich this is how we know this is how you know viewer that you know him if we keep his Commandments he who says I know him and many people

do in the world and does not keep his Commandments is a liar and the truth is not in him so here we see in both these passages some very direct challenging words in Hebrews 10 the person who rejects or willfully denies is an adversary in 1 John 2 he's a liar and the truth is not in him whoever keeps his word truly the love of God is perfected in him by this we know that we are in him he who says he abides in him who's the him him Yeshua ought himself also to walk just as he walked so it's very simple as followers of Yeshua we

are to walk as Yeshua walked and how did he walk he was the Spotless lamb he was obedient to every law so instead of questioning whether something is a Salvation issue and entertaining the idea of

disregarding it perhaps we should ask how did Yeshua walk when we recognize that he lived in perfect harmony with every command in the Hebrew scriptures we are left with no other valid response other than to Delight in his every word so what that means if you're wrestling with this is the words the question is it a Salvation issue should never ever never ever never again come out of your mouth because that's

not the heart that we are called to have as followers of the way the term legalistic as a religious

Chapter 5: Defining legalism

concept does not originate directly from the Bible we probably all already knew that but it's a theological term developed over time to describe an attitude or approach toward the law of God that emphasizes rigid adherence to rules over the spirit of Faith Grace and relationship with God what I didn't have on this slide is title that we've moved on to legalism and that's why we're reading this definition isn't that just legalistic aren't you just being legalistic when you tell me I have to observe the sabbath the term legalism and its derivative legalistic became prominent in Christian theological discussions particularly during the Protestant Reformation this is a this

these two points here I got from AI I asked AI show me the history behind this legalism this legalistic mentality that's so big in the Christian church and this is the answer that it gave reformers like Martin Luther and John Calvin critiqued the Catholic Church's emphasis on works as a means of salvation of course we don't get salvation by means of Works they argued for justification by faith alone solfi and identified certain practices indulgences Penance as forms of legalism over time legalism became a way to describe any religious system or mindset that prioritizes works or rules over faith and Grace now there's a couple of things that

we need to get from this should obedience to a religious system be prioritized over faith and grace and the answer is simple no never obedience to a religious system not being the actual Bible but being a religious Dogma or a religious system that takes priority over faith and Grace should never be the case however we all know that in the Christian world this accusation of legalism has been levied against so many people when the idea of of rigid biblical obedience is suggested the Pharisees enforced a rigid adherence to their Doctrine to their Town mood and in that case that was true legalism but when you apply that

same attitude towards the Bible towards actual scripture it should never be counted as legalism or assumed to be legalistic although the term does not have its origin in scripture we can see where people have been rebuked for exemplifying the definitions that we see above and I asked this question care to guess the only people in scripture to ever be rebuked for being legalistic Glennon you want to guess who those people were guess who the people who have been rebuked for being legalistic in the scriptures yes I don't know oh come on sure you do the Pharisees oh okay the the Pharisees were the only people in Scripture

to ever be rebuked for being legalistic that's interesting we got to pay attention to that Matthew 23 this is Yeshua woe to you scribes and Pharisees Hypocrites you pay tithe and mint and Anis and cing for you have neglected the weightier matters of the law Justice mercy and Faith these you ought to have done with without leaving the others undone blind guides who strain out a gat and swallow a camel

now Glenn looking at the words that I have there in yellow what is the issue that Yeshua had with the Pharisees and their so-called obedience just answer based on what you see in yellow well he's rebuking

them for for not doing the things that they were called to do yes when I look at that I see Yeshua rebuking them for choosing which laws to elevate and which to diminish these you ought to have done without leaving the others undone so legalism in their regard was this idea of choosing which laws were more important to you and which laws weren't in other words you are making the decision as to which laws you think are super important and which laws are not so important you're choosing which to elevate and in which to diminish again in verses 27- 28 wo to you scribes and Pharisees Hypocrites

they're all like whitewashed tombs which indeed appear beautiful outwardly but an inside are full of dead men's bones and all uncleanness even so you outwardly appear righteous to men but inside you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness so what do we see here these Pharisees weren't being rebuked for being too rigid with yah's law but with their own law now it just so happens that Glenn and I come from the same background in the same church come up in the same church and I don't I know about you Glenn but I can certainly remember times in the church where we elevated uh our own ways laws guidelines

rules over the Bible or it sometimes didn't use the Bible at all things that are coming to my mind right now or some of the Dating Rules that we had going on some of the the mandates to be at certain meetings that were all rigid in our approach but they didn't come from the word they were manmade laws that they that we were being rigid about that is if we go back to the previous Slide the definition of true legalism and we see it in mark one well I might add it it to me it became a system of of uh levels of authority and you would

always work to reach the next level so you would be seen as a more spiritual person um and I don't want to say power because at times my heart wasn't that way but you kind of um felt that others would look at you differently if you achieve that particular level of of authority uh there is no question about that me being one of those people that achieve that level of authority I can definitely speak to that there's there's some truth to that um and unfortunately some men and women rode that wave a little too well um and and they didn't use the authority that was given to

them in a Godly way again these words that Yeshua is speaking to the Pharisees would have been applicable there um in Mark 7 we see Yeshua talking to these Pharisees and identifying their legalism in yellow teaching as doctrines the Commandments of men while at the same time laying a side the Commandment of God in order that they might hold to the tradition of men now again I'm going to use the Shabbat because I've used it throughout the lesson is the Shabbat a commandment of God yes it is but they lay aside that commandment of God to hold to the tradition of men what would be the tradition

of men in regards to the Shabbat in today's church or churchianity Glenn number one or Glenn number two since you're sitting across from me Sunday okay yeah Sunday the Lord's day would be yeah they've created this tradition that goes way back to uh Constantine thank you my love that is found nowhere in scripture and yet it's a tradition that they hold to and they will fight to the death to just so they can reject or lay aside the Commandment of God that is legalism and it's important for us to know the difference so what is legalism we just looked at it choosing which laws to elevate and

which ones to diminish being more rigid about your own law your own rules or guidelines over Gods laying aside the Commandments of God to follow man's tradition that is legalism so when someone is trying to encourage you to be obedient to something that's actually in the Bible that is not legalis is M and we should not treat it as legalism the heart of true legalism is this Mark 7 All Too Well you reject the Commandment of God that you may keep your tradition for Moses said honor your father and your mother and he who curses his father or mother let him be put to death but you

say that is the heart of true legalism but you say the Bible clearly says his law is eternal but you say the Bible clearly says his Shabbat is a signed between him and his people for forever but you say if you ever look at a commandment of God and the first word or thought that comes to you is but you may have the heart of a Pharisee and if you're listening online you're watching this online I I want you especially if you're toying with the idea of being lawfully obedient or maybe you're not maybe you're just you happened upon this video and you're happy and you're Christianity

I want you to consider this question if you come across the Commandment that comes directly from the father and in your heart or out of your mouth comes the word but but what about but how does then you may have the heart of a Pharisee and need to pay attention to the things that Yeshua says to them because but you say should never be a part of our Lives we it can't be we have to tremble at his word Isaiah 66 shared this verse a few weeks ago really camped on it but I I want to do it again the father will look on that man who

was poor and contrite spirit and who trembles at my word not one who says but yeah but no the man the woman who hears reads his word and trembles and doesn't offer an option and doesn't offer an alternative to the command but is obedient to the command so isn't that just legalism

Chapter 6: Obedience vs. legalism

no no it's not it's called being careful to obey him and I bolded him on purpose because we shouldn't be careful to obey man-made laws but rather him over all else in Matthew 16 we see his disciples had come to the other side they had forgotten to take bread and Jesus said to them take heed and Beware of the leav of the Pharisees and the Sadducees and they reasoned among themselves I can almost picture this these guys kind of you know under their breath kind of wording what what is it because we have no no bread you know why why did he say that Jesus being aware

of it said to them you ding bats you little oh you of little faith why do you reason among yourselves because you've brought no bread do you not yet understand or remember the Five Loaves or the 5,000 and how many baskets you took up nor the seven loaves of the 4,000 how many large baskets you took up how is it you don't understand what I do not speak to you concerning the bread that I did not speak to you concerning the bread but to be aware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the Sadducees then they understood that he did not tell them to Beware of the

leaven of bread but to the doctrine of the doctrine of the Pharisees and the Sadducees beware of that now this is important viewer especially if you you're new to this channel because many Believers in the Christian World think that Yeshua had a problem with the Pharisees because they were overly obedient to the Torah and that's why he was rebuking them that's not the case they didn't get rebuked because they were overly obedient to the Torah they got rebuked because they were overly obedient to

their own Doctrine which stood in opposition to the Torah that's why he says beware of their Doctrine we must be careful to obey

him and of course that word Doctrine is viic or dasco a summarized body of respected teaching reliable timeh honored so the question is if legalism is excessive adher adherence to law or formula then the question is is whose law or formula and this is where I'm trying to help you understand this legalism bit because it's important there's an important difference here we have to pay attention to we have to excessively adhere to one law or the other it's going to be his law or it's going to be your pastor's law your teachers law your rabbis law your Church's law whose law or which law should we be

excessively adhering to and would that be considered legalism if we excessively adhered to the Torah to the law we see in the Bible Christianity has led us to believe that excessive adherence to yah's law is being legalistic while at the same time claiming to be free in Christ free from what if you're free in Christ are you trying to say that you're free from obedience because this gives us this makes a this creates a problem for us if being too excessively obedient to yah's law is legalistic then he himself is legalistic because he tells us over and over and over again be careful to do

Chapter 7: God's call to obedience

Deuteronomy 5 diligently keep Deuteronomy 6 carefully keep Deuteronomy 11 observe and Obey all these words Deuteronomy 12 if being legalistic is being too aggressive or too obedient to the law then these verses make our God himself legalistic right Yeshua said why do you call me Lord Lord and not do the things which I say so this can't be true legalism can't be carefully obedient and I think it's funny Glenn maybe you can speak to this maybe not I thought it was funny how nobody has ever been accused of being legalistic in obeying Yeshua in the New Testament that's true have have you found that to be true

yeah people only cry legalism legalism when you talk about lawful obedience Shabbat food laws or the festivals big question here is based on the verses from above doesn't it seem that yah himself is being legalistic or have you just learned this Christian ease that's Christian ease is Christian talk as a way of keeping yourself from obeying the king of the universe and that's really what it is and this is my favorite as long as my

Chapter 8: The myth of heart-trust

heart's in the right place God knows my heart Glenn have you ever said that oh of course GL number two have you ever said that yeah with fear and TR yeah we all have right my heart was in the right place or God knows my heart and this should never be your defense this fact needs to scare you to death because he does he absolutely does know your heart and you are oblivious to it our hearts are never in the right place we always like to say they are but it's going to be our hearts that judge us in the end there's not a single verse in

all the Bible that tells us to follow or to trust our hearts not s not not one instead we see this the heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked the Hebrew behind desperately wicked is incurably sick who can know it I the Lord search the heart I test the kidneys what yep when you look in your in in the Hebrew that word there is not mind that word is kidneys why is it kidneys well it's interesting

that word is kilia and that's kidney or the mind in ancient NE Eastern cultures the kidneys were thought to be the center of a person's emotional and moral life

much like the heart is considered in modern Western thought the kidneys were also important to the sacrificial rituals described in the Old Testament where they were offered to God as part of the peace and sin offerings this reflects the belief that the offering the innermost parts of an animal symbolized offering one's deepest self to God I the Lord search the heart I test the mind or the kidneys even to give every man according to his ways according to the fruit of his doings okay now what do we see here Glenn we see him challenging the notion that the heart should be trusted only to finish off by

saying what it's not the heart that should be trusted but your ways and the fruit of your doings are actually going to be tested not your heart how what you do with what you know not according to what you think is your good heart but actually what you do your obedience to the law yeah yeah well we all want to believe that our hearts are in the right place always I don't know about you but for me I always want to believe that my heart is as pure as the driven snow on one matter or the other and that's just my deceitful heart deceiving me that's my

incurably sick heart lying to me we see in Hebrews 4 let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest which rest Shabbat the final rest lest anyone fall according to the same example of what Disobedience for the word of God is living in powerful sharper than any double-edged sword piercing even to the division of Soul and Spirit joints and Marrow it is a discerner of the thoughts and the intents of the heart and there is no creature hidden from his sight but all things are naked and open to the eyes of him to whom we must give account so does he know your heart yeah brother sister

you better believe he does and that shouldn't give you uh reason to be at peace that should give you reason to fear because he knows who you are he knows what you are he knows the intents of your heart and the thoughts behind it the motives so how do we cut through this well we stop trusting in our heart we stop trusting in the things that we think our good heart says and we just be obedient to what we read in the scriptures Proverbs 26 he who trusts in his own heart is a fool but whoever walks wisely will be delivered Genesis 6 the Lord saw that

the wickedness of man was great in the earth and that every intent the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually thees this was way back in the days of the flood turn on your television and watch the news for an hour and tell me if this isn't the same if not worse today Ecclesiastes 9 truly the hearts of the son of men are full of evil Madness is in their hearts while they live and after that they go to the dead should we trust our hearts should the words as long as my heart was in the right place or God knows my heart should those words

ever come out of your mouth again no because he does aren't we free in Christ well this is perhaps the most dangerous and damnable heresies to ever come out of the Reformation movement because that that's where it came from aren't we free in Christ and this freedom in Christ became a banner for a lot of Christian churches that they were somehow free from obedience just me and the Lord were good pals good friends and I'm free to do whatever I want don't chain me down with all those burdensome laws and rules that that became the Mantra of so many Christian churches but to be free in Christ

is not being free from his legalistic rules that you think are legalistic that's not what being free in Christ means being free in Christ means you are free from the result of being disobedient to those you're free from that death there's only seven verses verses in the New Testament that directly or indirectly speak

to having freedom in Christ and none of them talk about being free from the ways of the Lord or the holy law none of them in fact here's one John 8 if you abide in my word that's what that's obedience that's following the ways of the Lord then you'll know the truth and the

truth shall make you free so being free in the Lord or free in Christ Christ has nothing to do with being free outside of his word Romans 6 and having been set free from sin you became slaves of righteousness speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh for just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for Holiness now one of the things I wanted to show you here is in this verse we see Paul contrasting if you will lawlessness to righteousness now is being GL number one

is being obedient to the law being righteous of course yes is that the righteousness that saves us no our righteousness that saves us comes from our faith in Christ that's the righteousness that saves us however being obedient to the law is still being righteous we're just not dependent on that righteousness for our Salvation the opposite of that righteousness according to Paul here in Romans 6 is lawlessness right we see this look at this verse here Romans 6:20 when you were slave to sin you were free in regard to righteousness okay you were free in regards to lawful obedience I don't know about you but I studied that

verse this week and I thought about this verse this week a great deal and here's what I see this is what so many Christians believe of themselves today that they are free in regards to righteousness I don't have to obey the law I've been freed from the law I'm not under law I'm free in regard to righteousness but in reality this is their condition before yah if you think you're free in regards to lawful obedience you are in fact a slave to unrighteousness or lawlessness we know in 1 John 3 that whoever commits sin is committing Lawless because sin is breaking the law so if you think

you're free in regards to righteousness then what you actually are is a slave of sin you're a slave of lawlessness that leads to more lawlessness so listener viewer it's important for you to understand that Yeshua didn't call you to lawlessness he didn't free you from being obedient to the ways of the Lord that's just what you were taught by your teachers and your pastors and your reverends and your ministers your priests no you're either a slave of righteousness or you're a slave of sin and Paul here is making the argument that you have to choose coming in for a landing here we're under grace not under law

Romans 6 for sin shall have shall not have dominion over you for you're not under law but under grace this is another one of those things that so many Believers so many Christians want to cry when they're confronted with the idea of being obedient to the ways of the Lord we're under grace not under law well and they use this this passage here in Romans 6 I've beat this horse to death in other lessons most recently this one I want to encourage you to go back and watch this series but as it pertains to being under the law part two deals with that a great deal I'm

not going to rehash it in this lesson I'm just going to say that a person is under the law or under its curse when they are outside of the Covenant in other words when they're unsaved not a Believer Unforgiven without Grace that's what it means for a person to be under the law you're under its curse for violating that law so what does it mean for sin to have dominion over you well it means that you're

subject to its penalties which is death to be under the law does not big bold red letters does not mean being subject to its Authority we are all under its Authority

how do I know how can I know that we are all under the authority of the law today Glenn is it still possible for you to sin sure yeah it is if it's still possible for you to sin there must be a law we're under that law if it's still possible for me to sin then there must be a law that I have transgressed sin is not imputed where there is no law so the law was abolished that I'm under grace not under law then I can't sin but because we can sin and we know we can there has to be a law there that says I've

broken it does that make sense the law doesn't change doesn't go away yeah so Glenn I want you to read this so I don't cough anymore I want you to read these F thoughts someday each of us will

Chapter 9: Final judgment warnings

kneel before the creator of the universe who judges the heart thoughts and intentions of man everything that has been hidden will be seen every secret known and Every Idle thought laid bare he will see all of you on that day which of us will be able to explain to him why we didn't deem his commands worthy of our attention which of us will be able to utter the ridiculous words I didn't think it was a Salvation issue in that moment without a word being spoken you will suddenly be confronted with the terrifying reality of your situation you will understand that Grace was never a licensed to disregard

his Commandments but the means to empower you to live them in that instance every excuse will crumble and the weight of your choices will testify against you do not be deceived God is Not mocked for whatever a man SWS that he will also reap yeah you will not be mocked and these things need to have a degree of uh warning in our hearts okay I I just want

Chapter 10: Community reflection

to say that um you guys have to think about this I mean I grew up my entire life as a Christian and it it wasn't until about four years ago that I started asking questions for myself why do I believe what I believe and our creator was so loving enough for me to be able to see the truth as it really is and you know that those final thoughts you think about that not everybody that we know understands this and it's our job to share this with them and I mean we're going to face our creator and have to answer this stuff praise him praise His holy

name that he loved me enough to you know give me the truth I asked for it so he gave it to me I mean talk about uh how C how can you not be just so incredibly moved by this it is so humbling so humbling that's all I got to say thank you Ed um I wanted to we we're there's three of us tuned in but I'm the only one on camera um There's Something About This Heart thing that you hit really really hit home for us collectively here in the winstrom household which is you know this idea that we can that God knows our heart and

what we are you know we have to keep account for our actions not for what we believe that God knows about us and that we we have to be accountable to each other and we also have to think about this not in terms of what I feel or what my emotions are about this but the decisions and the actions and what I'm doing because of my thoughts and my beliefs not resting on some sort of Grace or some

sort of um idea that I that this is going to save me it's not it's going to be um not works but obedience and um following God's Commandments to

the best of our ability so thank you that was powerful I'm sorry you're not feeling well Angel um I I just want to say that you know I grew up you know uh believing that you know once saved always saved and that pretty much you know all I had to do was believe that's it and you know once I come to the conclusion that hey my actions have got to show there's got to be fruit uh coming from me I realized how desensitized I became with sin and it has been a very long process of of recovering from that and you know I just want to let

anyone who's listening to me know there is hope and he will get to you if you do seek Him in spirit and in truth and and I was so thankful that long ago he gave me a th those words that those who worship God must worship Him in spirit and in truth and the truth is his word and and just to follow that and I guess that's all I have to say thank you amen go ahead David thank you angel thank you add um just a a few notes that I took here along the lesson um another statement that I've heard actually was used on me uh

was uh don't major in the minors uh which is again back to that concept or thought that you you know that even Jesus uh or the Bible talks about this fact of some laws or some portions of the Bible are more important above elevated others right and then you hear that in today's uh words the same thing let's not focus on the ma let's not focus on the minors let's not become experts in the minors all those little ply things like festivals and what you eat and and Sabbath those are the minors salvation is the major here right and and again we see that very clearly that

Jesus uh uh that everything is equal uh in God's eyes and we need to follow everything so that so that's just uh you know uh another term that I've heard uh pretty extensively in my uh at my time in in the Christian church uh another thing has to do with in in again related to this whole concept of majors and minor salvation is the most important thing everything else is secondary or minor and that again is contrary to the Bible and there are a few things that I want to talk that they SP speaks about that specifically 1 Timothy 4:16 a lot of us have used the

scripture when we were working and teaching uh other people about the word it says keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching persist in this for by doing so you will save both yourself and your hearers in another trans ation that we used watch your life and Doctrine closely right it's not only a matter of you know let's focus on the Bible what does the Bible say but also your life has equal importance in God's eyes for salvation for salvation of yourself as well as the people that see you how do the how do the people you know another saying that I say is the

first Bible that people will ever read is your life people get exposed to Jesus into the Bible through the way that you live it's their introduction to who God is and what it looks like to live as a follower of Christ if you disregard that if you live in just the way that everybody else lives right then how are they going to see anything different yeah the other related to that closely related to that is this call for Holiness right a call to be set apart we need to be set apart we need to look different and the way we do that is by following God's law

because following God's law calls us to live in a way that is different from the world we obey different we we observe different days we eat different things and we don't eat specific things right how are we set apart if we eat everything that everybody else eats if we honor the same day that everybody else in

you know follows that tradition how are we set apart how is how how do we look any different no we're exactly the same amen David Cassie DAV yeah just to say uh what what David was just talking about we've seen that in our lives you know and I'll be the first

to admit that um you know a lot of times the the these laws that we discuss and talk about um every single time that I you question any of them and I know this from experience it's always from a Viewpoint of you know how is it going to benefit me how you know all the best things happen on Saturday why you know why is that oh man it's so tough to keep the Sabbath because it's coming from you know my heart which is wicked but what what David is what David's saying is is so true and we've seen that in our Liv lives as we have slowly

been transitioning over to this Viewpoint of the scripture to this to this truth of the scripture and that is that we see people that we used to just hang out with and talk about not even Christians and they have slowly been or not even followers of Yeshua they have slowly been seeing how we're changing our lives and they've been asking questions which gives us a chance to be the light and tell them hey look and and now we have neighbors you know that are getting Bibles and reading the scripture and trying to figure out why everybody they know is doing it this way but why we're 1

hour, 8 minutes doing it different and their conclusion is coming to what the scripture says and what we're doing keeping the Sabbath you know not eating pork changing our diet doing all these things not judging people and not elevating man's law over what the Bible says not upholding to these traditions and these doctrines of men and it makes a big difference and I think that what David's saying is that is us being the light this situation is so important it it it has made a such a drastic difference um not only edifying us but seeing people around us ask questions and start to look into it and

once you start looking for the truth you will come to the truth amen amen the Bible says that we need to be prepared to answer for the hope that we have right and that's what we doing here is get you know growing in our knowledge and understanding and fear of God so that we are prepared to answer for the hope that we have right that's what the Bible say Amen Jeff and then hanini or hanini Jeff Miller and then hanini um I just wanted to add that um in my study of the Hebrew language especially the letters I came across a teaching about the word for fruit

called per it's a pay a r and a yod and the pay is the mouth the r or Ro The Head and the Y the hand or the arm everything you think saying do is your fruit uh you were talking about Ed the knowledge at the beginning you were talking about the knowledge of God well the knowledge of God isn't done here the knowledge is done exponentially when you know hear that what you are doing is pleasing to him if that makes sense amen amen Jeff um hanini is that how you say that name it's Carl but it's technically yeah that would be uh he which uh

means here I am um I just want to say I was like um I don't know who spoke very first there who poured his heart out um but I I um right with you as I'm assuming everybody here is was we came across this and and he's the first one who mentioned truth and that was the word that kept coming up here in all the respones is truth and for me one of the one of the passages in Scripture that I absolutely love and I'm sure like we've all passed over it and no one ever stops on it but it's it's John 1938 and it's it's when

pilate says to Christ what is truth and that is one of the passages that sent me uh down my rabbit hole um to you know what is truth what is the way uh what is the life and um and I I think all of us here

have been blessed in some ways we probably feel at least initially uh as you brought up in one of your earlier um videos which brought me to you uh was you know we felt that aloneness because now we see the truth and and you kind of fell alone uh as if there's no one else and so to have a a loving

Community um that you've created here uh Ed is is is just there's not enough words or thanks for it but we we can definitely uh give praise to God for uh you know giving us the opportunity to have truth and and to move forward in his word Amen brother well thank you so much guys listen um I told you that I was going to try to have a lesson on the calendar before the end of the year and well not just oops um the more I I I started beginning studying this stuff out the more I was hearing from different people my trusted adviser Glenn number two

sharing some things and other people emailing me some things I felt like it was something that needed um a lot more attention and so I am working on that lesson I'm going to try to have that done before the next Festival cycle so that we can really get into it um there's there's a lot of weird stuff going on out there guys on the calendar and um I want to make sure that I do a scholarly job of weeding through that and making sure that we are uh following what the Bible says in regards to the the calendar so be patient that's coming in the meantime I've

got some other things lined up that I want to teach um but I apologize for my coughing fit my wife told me that I probably had about an hour's worth of talking in me at any one time and I think I I reached it at that point so I apologize for that I'm going to edit all that coughing out but um any other thoughts or or questions before we uh we finish things up here all right well guys I love all of you thank you so much for taking the time to join us this morning on this Shabbat and um if you have any questions or um

want to talk you guys have my email uh it's just great having you in my life and um it's it's awesome to see you here on on Shabbat so have a great weekend great rest of your Shabbat and we will see you soon thank you Eddie love you thank you bless Bill brother shalom shalom shom shalom shalom 1 hour, 14 minutes shalom shalom bye shalom