

Following God's Commandments

Matthew 19:17-And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments. (KJV)

The Lord God's commandments are set forth for believers to willingly embrace. Believers freely and willing choose whether to adhere to the commandments. Force and coercion have no part in becoming a follower of God's commandments. Fullness of the life in Jesus Christ and eternal life awaits the faithful followers. Immeasurable peace and joy result from following the Lord God's commandments.

Mark 7:7-Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men (KJV)

Believers have the responsibility of accurately discerning God's commandments. Efforts must be made not to be deceived in following the commandments of men. Self-examination will reveal if the believer truly is following the way of the Lord. Sin often permeates the heart, mind and soul and corrupts the unwitting believer. Believers can inadvertently and easily follow ways that are far from the Lord God.

Luke 1:6-And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless. (KJV)

The Scriptures provide examples that following the commandments is possible. Believers benefit when vigilant and discerning in following God's commandments. The world is full of deceptions seeking to corrupt and entrap careless believers. Evil finds a way to enter the heart, mind and soul when believers are tired and lax. Episodes of depression can lead a believer down perilous paths harmful to the soul.

John 14:21-He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. (KJV)

Believers show love for the Lord God by following the known commandments. The Holy Scriptures make clear the commandments God has set forth to follow. The believer joyfully experiences God's love when following the commandments. Following God's commandments proves worthwhile for those doing so in faith. The hunger for God's love is fully addressed by following God's commandments.

Revelations 22:14-Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

(KJV)

The Heavenly Kingdom and life eternal awaits followers of God's commandments. Eternal joy occurs when believers faithfully follow God's commandments. The soul is put in imminent peril when the commandments of God are violated. Eternal punishment is the possibility when God's commandments are disregarded. The Lord wants believers to repent and embrace following the commandments.

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