Prayer: Psalms 3:1-8 LORD, how are they increased that trouble me! many are they that rise up against me. (2) Many there be which say of my soul, There is no help for him in God. Selah. (3) But thou, O LORD, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head. (4) I cried unto the LORD with my voice, and he heard me out of his holy hill. Selah. (5) I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the LORD sustained me. (6) I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set themselves against me round about. (7) Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies upon the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly. (8) Salvation belongeth unto the LORD: thy blessing is upon thy people. Selah.

Many say smoking and drinking is sin, but is that true?

John 2:1-4, 7-11 And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there: (2) And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage. (3) And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine. (4) Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come. (5) Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. (6) And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it. (9) When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom, (10) And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now. (11) This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

Notes:

• Jesus' first miracle was turning water into wine. Now why would he do that if drinking is a sin?

Luke 7:31, 33-34 And the Lord said, Whereunto then shall I liken the men of this generation? and to what are they like? (33) For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine; and ye say, He hath a devil. (34) The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and ye say, Behold a gluttonous man, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners!

Notes:

• Jesus was called a winebibber and yet it is written that he committed no sin. Therefore, since neither smoking nor drinking are sins, what is?
1 John 3:4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.
Notes:
- Transgresseth = to Break
- Sin is the transgression of the law (The Commandments) not smoking and drinking.

Romans 5:12-13 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: (13) (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law).
Notes:
- This is talking about 'TWO' laws, not one.
  1. The Ten Commandments
  2. Animal Sacrifice
- Because people don’t know what sin is they think Jesus ended the Royal law (the Ten Commandments).
- Imputed = Accused, implicated, alleged

Abraham was provided a lamb in the bush to sacrifice instead of his son Isaac.

Galatians 3:1-3, 6-8, 15-25 O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you? (2) This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? (3) Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh? (4) Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness. (5) Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. (6) Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto. (16) Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ. (17) And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect. (18) For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise. (19) Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator. (20) Now a mediator is not a mediator of one, but God is one. (21) Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law. (22) But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe. (23) But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed. (24) Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to
bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. (25) But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

Notes:
- The Law that came 430 years after is the law of animal sacrifice.
- Faith = Belief
- The Schoolmaster is another term for the animal sacrifice law. This is the law that was added because of transgressions (sins). It was used to teach us that the wages of Sin is DEATH!
- Neither Jesus nor animals will die for us anymore. If you sin willfully, you will die for yourself.
- The Seed = JESUS
- Mediator = JESUS
- We are no longer under the Schoolmaster (Animal sacrifice law).

Hebrews 10:1, 4-10, 18, 26-27 For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect. For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. (5) Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: (6) In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. (7) Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God. (8) Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law; (9) Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. (10) By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. (11) Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. (12) For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, (27) But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.

Notes:
- The law having a shadow of good things to come was the law of animal sacrifice, not the Royal Law (The Commandments).
- Perfect = to become God
- The first covenant was through the sacrifice of animals and was taken away with the sacrifice of Jesus.
- The second covenant is through JESUS. His blood and flesh represent his word being in your mind. We are sanctified through him. He is the veil now between us and the Father.

Romans 10:1-4 Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. (2) For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. (3) For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. (4) For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

Notes:
- If the law is ended, so is sin. So what law did he end? It was the law of animal sacrifice (sin offering) that Jesus ended. He was the last sacrifice, since then no animal is to be killed for the forgiveness of sins. Jesus paid the price for us.

Romans 6:12-16 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. (13) Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. (14) For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace. (15) What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God
forbid. (16) Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

Notes:
- We are no longer under the law of Animals of Sacrifice. The Royal law (The Commandments) are good throughout all generations. They are to be kept always.
- Grace = Free gift
- The Law (Commandments) and Sin are joined at the hip. You can’t have sin without the law.
- Death is both Physical & Spiritual.
- We can die spiritually (spiritually dead) and we can die physically twice (once as all people do and then again in the lake of fire if we keep sinning and don’t turn to God).

Romans 7:1, 5-14, 21-25 Know ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth?  For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death. (6) But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter. (7) What shall we say then? Is the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet. (8) But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For without the law sin was dead. (9) For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died. (10) And the commandment, which was ordained to life, I found to be unto death. (11) For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew me. (12) Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good. (13) Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful. (14) For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin. I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. (22) For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: (23) But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. (24) O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death? (25) I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

Notes:
- LAW = The Commandments
  - Are holy, just and good and are ordained unto life.
- Alive without the law = A live (living) sinner
- Dead with the law = That old sinful you died in the water of baptism. Now you are a new creature walking in the Word of God.
- Concupiscence = Uncleanness

Romans 8:1-8 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. (2) For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. (3) For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: (4) That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. (5)
For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. (6) For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. (7) Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. (8) So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

Notes:
- The Law that is weak through the flesh is the animal sacrifice law.
- Law of God is his Commandments. They are ordained unto life.
- Subject = Being in a position or in circumstances that place one under the power or authority of another or others: subject to the law.
- Spiritual Mind = Keeps the Commandments and Loves God
- Carnal Mind = Breaks the Commandments and Hates God
- Enmity = Hatred

Proverbs 28:4, 9 They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the law contend with them. 9 He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination.

Notes:
- Contend = challenge, argue, assert

John 9:31 Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.

Notes:
- If God will not hear your prayer, then you are willfully breaking his law (Commandments). This is the difference between Life and Death.

Deuteronomy 30:1-3, 8, 11-16, 19 And it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon thee, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before thee, and thou shalt call [them] to mind among all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath driven thee, (2) And shalt return unto the LORD thy God, and shalt obey his voice according to all that I command thee this day, thou and thy children, with all thine heart, and with all thy soul; (3) That then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee. 8 And thou shalt return and obey the voice of the LORD, and do all his commandments which I command thee this day. 11 For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not hidden from thee, neither is it far off. (12) It is not in heaven, that thou shouldst say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it? (13) Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldst say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it? (14) But the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it. (15) See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil; (16) In that I command thee this day to love the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it. 19 I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:

Notes:
- This day = the day God gave Moses the Ten Commandments
• Life = Eternal life/Immortality
• Death = Lake of fire
• Death was not in the creation until Adam & Eve sinned.
• Satan slew the whole creation but Jesus gave us another chance at Salvation by his death & resurrection.
• Turn = Reverse Israel’s captivity
• If Jesus hadn't have come and died for us, all of mankind was destined for the lake of fire.
• Everyone that has been born will live forever, but the question is, where?
• There are only 'TWO' places:
  1. New Jerusalem = Kingdom of God
  2. Lake of Fire = Second Death
• God set before us his Commandments.

Matthew 19:16-17 And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life? (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.
Notes:
• While in the flesh, Jesus did not consider himself good because there is nothing good about flesh and blood. Now he is GOD again and is good. We know that both the Father and Jesus are ONE (Think the same) and both are GOOD.

Romans 6:1-2, 20-23 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? (2) God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? [20] For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness. (21) What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death. (22) But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life. (23) For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Notes:
• Death = Eternal death in the Lake of fire

Genesis 2:7-9, 16-17 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. (8) And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. (9) And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. [16] And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: (17) But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.
Notes:
• Tree of Life = Jesus
• Adam and Eve broke God's commandment and ate (listened) to the tree of knowledge of good and evil (Satan) and died (neither lived to be a 1000 years old. A day in the eyes of God). Man has been dying ever since.
Genesis 3:1-6, 17-19, 22-24

Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? (2) And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: (3) But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. (4) And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: (5) For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. (6) And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. (7) And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; (18) Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; (19) In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return. (22) And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: (23) Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. (24) So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

Notes:
- The Fruit that Satan gave Eve was the fruit of lies.
- Since the sin of Adam all men die and return to the dust (ground).
- The Tree of Life is JESUS.

1 Corinthians 10:20-21

But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils. (21) Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils.

Notes:
- We have only one master and that is GOD (The Father and the Son)
- We can't serve 2 masters.
- The Gentiles sacrifice unto devils by worshipping and participating in Paganism. All of the so-called holidays are days of worship for Pagan deities. They do not keep God's High Days.

Psalms 82:1-2, 6-7

God standeth in the congregation of the mighty; he judgeth among the gods. (2) How long will ye judge unjustly, and accept the persons of the wicked? Selah. (6) I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High. (7) But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.

Notes:
- Congregation of the mighty = The Church, Israel
- the gods = US (Mankind)
- Accepting the persons of the wicked happened when Eve listened to Satan and took it to her husband and he listened. Today, we do the same thing by listening to the wicked and doing what man says instead of THUS SAITH THE LORD.
- princes = fallen angels
Romans 5:12, 14 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

Hebrews 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

Notes:
- There is no circumventing (To avoid or get around by artful maneuvering) death. You can’t buy your way out of it.

1 Corinthians 15:51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

Notes:
- Sleep = Die
- Changed = Going from flesh & blood to spirit beings

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. (14) For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

Notes:
- By doing this you can avoid the 2nd death (lake of fire).

Revelation 20:11-12 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. (12) And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

Notes:
- Books = The Bible (biblos, binding of books)
- The Book of Life contains the names of those who have sought God and spoken often of his name.

John 12:44-48 Jesus cried and said, He that believeth on me, believeth not on me, but on him that sent me. (45) And he that seeth me seeth him that sent me. (46) I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness. (47) And if any man hear my words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world. (48) He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.

Notes:
- In the last day (The day Jesus returns) we will be judged by the book (The Bible) and the things written in it.

Revelation 20:13-15 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. (14) And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. (15) And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.
Notes:

- How does a person's name get removed from this book? The answer is in the next scripture.

Exodus 32:30-33 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the people, Ye have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up unto the LORD; peradventure I shall make an atonement for your sin. (31) And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold. (32) Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin--; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written. (33) And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book.

[Sin is the transgression (breaking) of the law, and the Wages of Sin is DEATH!]

EXTRA VERSES

Deuteronomy 14:22-26 Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year. (23) And thou shalt eat before the LORD thy God, in the place which he shall choose to place his name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear the LORD thy God always. (24) And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou art not able to carry it; or if the place be too far from thee, which the LORD thy God shall choose to set his name there, when the LORD thy God hath blessed thee: (25) Then shalt thou turn it in money, and bind up the money in thine hand, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose: (26) And thou shalt bestow that money for whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatsoever thy soul desireth: and thou shalt eat there before the LORD thy God, and thou shalt rejoice, thou, and thine household,

Notes:

- If drinking was a sin, why are we permitted to drink on the Lord's feast day? Simply because drinking isn't a sin.

Psalms 66:18 If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me:

Notes:

- Regard means:
  1. To look upon or think of with a particular feeling: to regard a person with favor.
  2. To have or show respect or concern for.

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