

## Zoom Bible Study 8-31-21

Cover vs remove In the Old Testament – On the day of Atonement - children of Israel's sins were covered for another year

Read Hebrews 10:1 & following- Sins covered for another year - Remained sin conscious - Last week we looked at Pardon vs Acquitted Pardoned folks remain with guilt over their actions

Acquitted = never were guilty

New Testament the sin issue is “removed” from the believer. Psalm 103:12 “as far as the **east** is from the **west**, so far has He removed our transgressions from us”

Sin and its penalty has been removed from the believer today. Consequences – not so much-

Ok – we are studying the life of Moses for balance of this session -

Beloved, I am not certain, but I believe the issue of the commandments and our understanding of them is one of the most pivotal issues facing the church today.

It is imperative we have a complete understanding of this issue

We are studying the life of Moses - Question? When you think of Moses, what comes to mind? Correct – the 10 commandments – the Law (obviously you think of the Passover and the crossing of the red sea, and the wilderness and the pattern of the tabernacle God gave him in the heavens, but mainly you think of the commandments.

Lets review the number of cases where God specifically gave the commandments to Moses

1<sup>st</sup> time **Exodus 19:3** when God called Moses to come up to the top of the mountain. At this time God gave them verbally to Moses and he took them to the children.

The childrens response to Moses - **Exo 19:8**

2<sup>nd</sup> time God came down to the people and gave the commandments to the Children of Israel Himself (why do you suppose He did that?) – **Exo 20** - the peoples response – vs **18&19**

3<sup>rd</sup> time -**God** then told Moses to come back up the mountain and He would give these commandments to Moses in stone- **Exo. 24:1**

This time Moses was with God for 40 days and 40 nights **Exo 24:18**

God Gives Moses the pattern of the tabernacle along with its furnishings – allowing the children of Israel to cleans themselves from their sin at the tabernacle ritual with final instructions

**P.S. here beloved** Question, how do the Jews cleans themselves today of their sins? What is their way of getting this thing off of them?

Side note=

Moses received the entire cleansing for sin, as well as all of the furniture inside the tabernacle, the pattern for the furniture within the temple such as the lamp stand, the Extremely detail and important regarding all of the inner workings of the tabernacle, the rituals for cleansing from sin, the mercy seat, the laver etc. The setting up of the priesthood with Aaron and his sons, how the offerings were to be made etc.

With the instructions to “make sure you make it according to the pattern you have received from Me. God says....

During this time, the children of Israel were concerned over the time Moses was away, and they were misbehaving in his absence.

God tells Moses he was writing with His finger the 10 commandments in stone for Moses to take to the children of Israel **Exo31:32**

In His absence, the children of Israel – through the direction of Aaron (Moses Brother) decided to make their own god – read it **Exo 32** and following

God tells Moses to get down to the people for they have corrupted themselves in his absence. **Exo 32:7** read the account.

Read God’s response to Moses in **Exo 32:10**

Moses response to God as the intercessor – **Exo 22:11**

Read Moses response vs **15** & following

Read the response from Aaron – the people made me do it. All I did was cast it into the fire and this calf came out – **lie verse 24**

Moses response – **vs 27**

3,000 people died that day

Finally God calls Moses to again come up to the mountain again and bring with you tablets of stone and I will again write my command

Question – Was there a problem with the commandments?

Does not the scripture tell us that these commandments are really the heart of God?

Who were these commandments given to? Are they given to the church? If so, why did Jesus say in **John 13:34** “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Why did Jesus not teach the commandment to His disciples or to us?

the truth of god given through Christ deals with the **wrong thoughts** behind the wrong **acts that are wrong**. **Christ deals with the thoughts that are directing the acts**

the law of Moses pointed out the sin but offered no complete forgiveness.

The law of Christ points out sin and gives the remedy for absolute remission of sin

**Conclusion** – The commandments were never given to be kept. They were given to expose the heart of the believer and his inability to keep them.

Go back to the children of Israels response to the commandments **Exo 19:8**

They were given to the children to expose their heart - They act as **mirror** in the face of the believer, with no ability to cleanse the believer. They only expose the true heart of the believer, but were never given to cleanse the believer - Thus the sacrificial Lamb on the day of Atonement.

Look at **Ps 51 – verse 16** - Wait you say – God **did** desire sacrifices – God did require that. That was the law – you say (and you would be correct)

Why did David respond this way to God? He; your not interested in sacrifices and offerings – According to the law, yes He was.

Look at the sacrifice that David offered - **Verse 17**

The church has been hoodwinked into following a set of rules (commandments)

Question – Why was Moses unable to enter into the land? Oh I know **Numbers 20:8** following says that he smote the rock the 2<sup>nd</sup> time, (crucified Jesus all over again) But what does Moses represent? Yes, the law.

**You and I will never be able to enter the land if we live by rules and commanments.** We enter the land through relationship – period.

We will discuss this more in detail to come.