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The Changeless Heart

In this day and age, fads are changing sometimes daily. One day something is in, and the next it is old news. People often get so caught up in getting the latest popular fancy that they get carried away going into debt trying to keep up with the proverbial Jones. Often religion is part of these fads. For a long time being a born again "Christian" was considered being popular, and when the next religious craze came along it was abandoned. Being fickle is not acceptable to God. Matters of this life are trivial and matter little. One thing that the Lord requires is a servant with a changeless heart.

The Changeless Father

The first example of the changeless nature of God can be found in the Father. *Num. 23: 19*. God is not a man that he should forget or lie; he is not son of man prone to strange and erratic *vagaries*, that is, he is not *irresponsible or unpredictable!* What God has done, what God has said, what He has promised, will come to pass! Whether it be a promise of deliverance *Isa. 14:24* or a promise to his servant David, *Ps. 89:34-36*, what God hath said he will not change. For he has promised and shall he not deliver? God Gives his election, his anointing, his blessing to a servant, or to an entire nation, and does not take it back. *Mal. 3:6* "For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed." And in *Romans 11: 29* Paul says: "For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance."

The Changeless Christ

The changeless nature of Christ can be best seen in *Heb. 13:8* "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever." This simple verse says it all, that no matter what or when, Christ, the Word and the Truth will always be the same, and identifies with the immutable heart of the Father. *John 1:1-2, 14* reveals the same Word from the beginning, who created the world, became flesh in his First Coming as Jesus Christ. Because Christ became flesh does not mean that his divine nature was altered in any way. Instead, he brought the same message of seeking God with the heart (fidelity) and the message of perfect worship; *Jn 10:25-30*. Hebrews declares Jesus as the author and finisher of faith and *Revelation 3: 14* appoints him as the "Amen" in whom all things are fulfilled and consummated! Jesus had the responsibility to accomplish all that was written of Him to be fulfilled in his First Coming, and he conducted himself responsibly to that obligation all the way to the Cross! (*Phil. 2: 8*) Man today seeks the voice of Christ though vain imagery forgetting that Christ speaks through *commandments and approved examples*. All other dogmas and philosophies are useless!

The Changeless Servant

King David was described as a man after God's own heart because the singleness of his heart. David did not know of any other way in which to approach God except through fear and the pureness of heart. He desired to build God a *House* (a tabernacle) to dwell in. The same is required from every believer. We are told by Christ the greatest commandment in *Matt.* 22:36-40 is to love our God with all being. On this command hang all the law and the prophets, meaning that every commandment somehow correlates with these. To love God with all of our heart means we leave no room for anything else, if we consider God in all things, dedicate our heart to him and remain changeless, he will find a dwelling in our hearts, *Jhn.14: 23* "If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him."

Avoiding the *unpredictable* and *fickle* man... at any cost!

Prov. 24:21-22. To be changeless is to always choose God above all else. The true believer is the same way. When it comes to any passage in the scripture, we consider what would God want, what does God say. In the matter of 1 Cor. 11, the apostate Church of Christ suddenly changed their philosophy and spoke in place of God. The changeless and true Christian, does not abandon God's teachings, but carefully considers what God wants and does not change what he has always done; that is, speak where God speaks and keep silent where God keeps silent. To be perfect, to be whole, is to be changeless and incorruptible, that is, not deviating from the commandment to "walk in love." Psa 15:4; the phrase, "Sweareth to his own hurt" means that the Lord's servant had a duty to fulfill his purpose in Christ; that in spite of the cross the believer kept to the Christian oath to keep all the commandments. The suffering at the hands of the apostate church was not a deterrent, but a baneful, yet welcomed responsibility, that needed to be endured in order to re-introduce life and righteousness back into the assembly of the just. Are you doing your fair share of the work? The time has come for you to do so!

The world keeps changing, there is no preventing it. Human *opinion* comes and goes! True Christianity is not a fad, nor will it ever change to conform to the world. It is the only true constant within society today! The genuine believer worries not about the world and its variableness! All we need concern ourselves with is the true and complete dedication to the gospel. Is your heart dedicated to God? Give thyself to the Lord, wholly! Embrace incorruptibility and draw nigh to the changeless God of truth.

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