

Do God's Will, And Don't Add to It or Take Away from It. A Principal Taught in The Whole Bible.

All Scriptures from The Old and New King James Versions

Don't Add to It or Take Away from Scripture: This is taught throughout the Bible Old and New Testaments. It leads to a "Proud Attitude" ignoring God's teachings and not respecting God's silence. This attitude is a rebellious one.

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Deu 4:2 Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

Jer 26:2 Thus saith the LORD; Stand in the court of the LORD'S house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the LORD'S house, all the words that I command thee to speak unto them; diminish not a word:

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Rev 22:19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

Pro 30:5 Every word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him. 6 Do not add to His words, Lest He rebuke you, and you be found a liar.

Remember turning to the left or right and not following what God commanded is adding or taking away from God's commands.

Deu 5:32 "Therefore you shall be careful to do as the LORD your God has commanded you; you shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left. 33 You shall walk in all the ways which the LORD your God has commanded you, that you may live and that it may be well with you, and that you may prolong your days in the land which you shall possess.

Deu 17:10 You shall do according to the sentence which they pronounce upon you in that place which the LORD chooses. And you shall be careful to do according to all that they order you. 11 According to the sentence of the law in which they instruct you, according to the judgment which they tell you, you shall do; you shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left from the sentence which they pronounce upon you. 12 Now the man who acts presumptuously and will not heed the priest who stands to minister there before the LORD your God, or the judge, that man shall die. So you shall put away the evil from Israel. --- 20 that his heart may not be lifted above his brethren, that he may not turn aside from the commandment to the right hand or to the left, and that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he and his children in the midst of Israel.

Don't think because the Bible doesn't say not to, you can do whatever your opinion thinks is ok. Respect God's silence. Why?

Isa 55:8-9 *"For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," says the LORD. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts."*

They changed what God wanted. They added to what God wanted. They might have presumed this would be ok. God destroyed them because of this. God does not think this is ok. We must keep our opinions out and let scripture interpret scripture.

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Presumptuous sins are caused when we don't know all of God's will and assume God will be pleased with our opinions. Keep me back from presumptuous sins.

Psa 19:13 *Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; Let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, And I shall be innocent of great transgression. 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer.*

*I must not use my judgments and presume that we or
I know what God wants. Trust God's word for guidance.*

David who its was said he was seeking after God's own heart, was guilty of presumptuous sins. One example is when he transported the Ark of The Covenant by ox cart instead of using the Levites to carry it with poles. As a result, Uzzah touched the Ark to prevent it from falling. He died because of the transgression of touching the Ark. David did not realize his sin until later. He should have known the law and obeyed it, instead of presuming what he did would be ok. Because all Jewish kings had access to a copy of the Bible, he had no excuse.

Don't people today make this same type of mistake today?

Act 13:22 *And when He had removed him, He raised up for them David as king, to whom also He gave testimony and said, 'I HAVE FOUND DAVID THE SON OF JESSE, A MAN AFTER MY OWN HEART, WHO WILL DO ALL MY WILL.'*

Deu 10:8 At that time the LORD separated the tribe of Levi to bear the ark of the covenant of the LORD, to stand before the LORD to minister to Him and to bless in His name, to this day.

2Sa 6:3 So they set the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill; and Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, drove the new cart. --- **6** And when they came to Nachon's threshing floor, Uzzah put out his hand to the ark of God and took hold of it, for the oxen stumbled. **7** Then the anger of the LORD was aroused against Uzzah, and God struck him there for his error; and he died there by the ark of God.

1Co 4:6 And these things, brethren, I have in a figure transferred to myself and to Apollos for your sakes; that ye might learn in us not to think of men above that which is written, that no one of you be puffed up for one against another.

Num 22:18 And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak, If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of the LORD my God, to do less or more.

Num 24:13 If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the commandment of the LORD, to do either good or bad of mine own mind; but what the LORD saith, that will I speak?

We must do God's will and not what we think. Saul thought that he was doing God's will (or maybe he deceived himself what he did was ok) but he did not follow all God said. To say to oneself "God will accept this because I see no wrong in this" is a rebellious act against God.

1Sa 15:1 Samuel also said unto Saul, The LORD sent me to anoint thee to be king over his people, over Israel: now therefore hearken thou unto the voice of the words of the LORD. **2** Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember that which Amalek did to Israel, how he laid wait for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt. **3** Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass. **7** And Saul smote the Amalekites from Havilah until thou comest to Shur, that is over against Egypt. **8** And he took Agag the king of the Amalekites alive, and utterly destroyed all the people with the edge of the sword. **9** But Saul and the people spared Agag, and the best of the sheep, and of the oxen, and of the fatlings, and the lambs, and all that was good, and would not utterly destroy them: but every thing that was vile and refuse, that they destroyed utterly. **10** Then came the word of the LORD unto Samuel, saying, **11** It repenteth me that I have set up Saul to be king: for he is turned back from following me, and hath not performed my commandments. And it grieved Samuel; and he cried unto the LORD all night. **12** And when Samuel rose early to meet Saul in the morning, it was told Samuel, saying, Saul came to Carmel, and, behold, he set him up a place, and is gone about, and passed on, and gone down to Gilgal. **13** And Samuel came to Saul: and Saul said unto him, Blessed be thou of the LORD: I have performed the commandment of the LORD. **14** And Samuel said, What meaneth then this bleating of the sheep in mine ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear? **15** And Saul said, They have brought them from the Amalekites: for the people spared the best of the sheep and of the oxen, to sacrifice unto the LORD thy God; and the rest we have utterly destroyed. **16** Then Samuel said unto Saul, Stay, and I will tell thee what the LORD hath said to me this

night. And he said unto him, Say on. **17** And Samuel said, When thou wast little in thine own sight, wast thou not made the head of the tribes of Israel, and the LORD anointed thee king over Israel? **18** And the LORD sent thee on a journey, and said, Go and utterly destroy the sinners the Amalekites, and fight against them until they be consumed. **19** Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice of the LORD, but didst fly upon the spoil, and didst evil in the sight of the LORD? **20** And Saul said unto Samuel, Yea, I have obeyed the voice of the LORD, and have gone the way which the LORD sent me, and have brought Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites. **21** But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice unto the LORD thy God in Gilgal. **22** And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams. **23** For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king. **24** And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the LORD, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice. **25** Now therefore, I pray thee, pardon my sin, and turn again with me, that I may worship the LORD. **26** And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: for thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, and the LORD hath rejected thee from being king over Israel.

Doing things different from what God commanded is adding to and taking away from what God's word.

Lev 10:1 Then Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and offered profane fire before the LORD, which He had not commanded them. **2** So fire went out from the LORD and devoured them, and they died before the LORD. **3** And Moses said to Aaron, "This is what the LORD spoke, saying: 'By those who come near Me I must be regarded as holy; And before all the people I must be glorified.' " So Aaron held his peace.

Even Jesus would not use his own opinion but would only teach what God the father would teach. He kept his own opinion out of it for an example to us.

Joh 8:28 Then said Jesus unto them, **When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things**

So, we must use only God's word from the Bible and not our own ideas, as even Christ did.

1Co 4:1 Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. **2** Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful. **3** But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by a human court. In fact, I do not even judge myself. **4** For I know of nothing against myself, yet I am not justified by this; but He who judges me is the Lord. **5** Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts. Then each one's praise will come from God. **6** Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up on behalf of one against the other.

Remember what happened to the Jews.

Rom 10:2 For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. **3** For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God.

Some think the Bible is only a guide book to a better life but is not to be strictly followed. But is this what the scripture teaches of its self? People with the unbinding view of the Bible think to use the Bible as the guide to itself is absurd.

Nevertheless, this is the only way to use the Bible. Why? Because not to use the Bible as the way to understand its self, is to discredit it as being inspired of God. If the Bible is discredited from being from God then anything goes. In other words, anyone's opinion is as good as anyone else's opinion. They can justify anything and call it from God. If anyone can pick out anything in the Bible and say this was not what the writer meant then the creditability of the Bible drops to nothing. If any part of the Bible is disclaimed then doubts will arise to any of it being from God.

I think this is Satan's agenda. This is the same strategy used against Eve in Genesis.

Genesis 3

¹Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?'" ²And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; ³but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.'" ⁴Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. ⁵For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

Some people even use part of scripture to teach what they want to believe, even when the scriptures teach otherwise. If one scripture contradicts their teaching then what they teach is not from God. All studies must be made using all scripture not just part. When anyone stops seeking scriptures it becomes easy to make mistakes.

Keep in mind Satan used scriptures to try to tempt Christ. (Satan misused scripture to mislead) Christ used scriptures to show his error.

Mat 4:1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. **2** And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. **3** Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." **4** But He answered and said, "**It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE BY BREAD ALONE, BUT BY EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS FROM THE MOUTH OF GOD.'**" **5** Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, **6** and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: 'HE SHALL GIVE HIS ANGELS CHARGE OVER YOU,' and, **IN THEIR HANDS THEY SHALL BEAR YOU UP, LEST YOU DASH YOUR FOOT AGAINST A STONE.'**" **7** Jesus said to him, "**It is written again, 'YOU SHALL NOT TEMPT THE LORD YOUR GOD.'**" **8** Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and

showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. **9** And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." **10** Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, '**YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD, AND HIM ONLY YOU SHALL SERVE.**' "

Psa 91:9 Because you have made the LORD, who is my refuge, Even the Most High, your dwelling place, **10** No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling; **11** For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways. **12** In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Not all Satan's deceptions are always so clearly seen. He will try to cause you to doubt anything in the Bible. He will do this a little at a time to cause a drastic change over time. You will find yourself accepting something, which in the past, you never would have accepted.

Accept this warning, because you can see what has already happened in society. These small changes lead to other changes gradually over time; which lead to drastic changes.

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