

Crucial

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We need to be good always, and be holy, and **not** allow sinful thoughts, but no matter how good we are, we can never be good enough for the Holy God. The true God (the God of the Jewish Scripture -- Old and New Testament) is a Holy God. Because our Creator cares for us, He took the Punishment for our sins so we can have peace with God, be cleansed, and be His obedient children (**separate** from the world/cultures around us). The only way you can be sure that everything is okay between you and God is by accepting this big favor your Creator has done for you. Isaiah 13:6-13, Isaiah 64:6, Titus 3:3-7, 1John 4:10

John 8:31-32 “Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, if you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed, and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” Please let this be your main focus for the rest of your time on this earth. Death and eternal judgment are real. Please don’t simply believe any spiritual leader. Always check the Scriptures to make sure what you are receiving from any preacher is true, no matter who the preacher may be. It is very important that you really be spending time in the Scriptures, especially the New Testament. The pure word will be of tremendous blessings to you now and forever, but a message that does not align with God’s truth has **spiritual dangers** now and forever.

We must give serious attention to 1John 4:1 which says, “Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God because **many false prophets** have gone out into the world.” Bible-believing preachers who use the Scriptures frequently are Not exempt from Heresy, don’t be fooled or carried-away by their Scriptural talk. **The Jewish Scripture (Old and New Testament) is the only reliable guide on this earth (except Song of Solomon).** Acts 17:10-11 speaks good of those Jews in Berea who searched the Scriptures **daily** to see whether what Silas and Paul told them is true. That’s exactly what we need to be doing today because spiritual deception is spreading everywhere.

Concerning the Scriptures, paraphrase versions are loose translations, stay away from them. *The Message* by Eugene Peterson is one of the worst versions. Also beware of *The Renovare Bible*. If your copy of the scriptures has notes by a preacher, be careful, compare each note with what the scripture says. **God’s word is the authority, not the words of any human being.** In your study of God’s word, you will come across things that are difficult to understand, continue reading, often times you will find the answer if you continue reading with an honest heart.

Since the Saviour has come, God no more requires anyone to keep the symbolic laws of the Torah. Anyone who desires to keep those symbols (Sabbaths, Kosher,

etc.) may do so **but make it clear that those things are not Salvation** but symbols communicating spiritual realities. See Colossians 2:16-17

Clearly, Song of Solomon is **not** of God. It is immoral (pornographic) and idolatrous.

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