

Introduction

We see a world living in complete rebellion to GOD's word today.

Even within the church – few actually fear GOD or even reverence HIM.

Some argue that the laws commanded in the Old Testament do not apply today & therefore we can ignore the Old Testament scriptures.

But this is not entirely true.

Yes, we are not under the old covenant, but this doesn't mean that it doesn't apply to us.

And that's a question that I'm often asked:

“What is the difference between the Old Testament & the New Testament?”

The word testament translated as “covenant” is a formal contract that GOD has established with HIS people.

The old covenant can be best described in three simply laws:

- A. Ceremonial Law** – *(The ritual worship of GOD)*
- B. Civil Law** – *(The obedience to a governing authority)*
- C. Moral Law** – *(The conduct of personal character)*

The old covenant points to JESUS CHRIST, the New Covenant.

Matthew 5:17 ~ Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

What GOD called sin in the Old Testament, is still sin in the New Testament.

The way we worship GOD today has changed & our local government laws vary from place to place, but what really was the most significant, was the payment for sin.

JESUS coming on the scene paid the sin debt for all mankind.

The political, social & financial issues of our world today, are simply the results of mankind being their own god.

The world as a whole ignores JESUS as the One, True Messiah – who fulfilled the law.

With nothing or no one to compare their value system to – society now has corrupt morals.



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Today – we are going to look into having “A Moral Compass”.

John 10:24-30

How can we establish our value system today in a morally corrupt world?

After all – we hear chatter from all sources, from every direction.

Sometimes those voices can be overwhelming.

They can make even the most dedicated follow question everything.

They can also become a huge distraction to the mission of the local, New Testament church.

At the end of the day – it all comes down to choice – which GOD gave freely to all men.

Man is not only free to think for himself – but often times he will make himself believe a lie – to suit his own agenda.

Proverbs 14:12 ~ There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof *are* the ways of death.

This is because most people want a world without GOD & this makes them fools.

Proverbs 14:1 ~ The fool hath said in his heart, *There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good.*

Man must realize that we are all on a road headed to a death date.

We must all realize that we have a choice as we journey.

We must realize there is a Shephard who will point us along our journey.

This journey may not be easy, but the Shephard, who fulfilled the law – knows the direction we need to go.



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As we navigate down this road of life, we need to pay close attention to the traffic signals.

1. WAIT FOR THE LIGHT – *(Don't just blow through an intersection)*

✝ Psalm 119:105 ~ Thy word *is* a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

✝ John 9:5 ~ **As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.**

For Christians - GOD's word is the final authority & wait to hear GOD's voice.

2. THE LIGHT WON'T CHANGE – *(Don't get frustrated because GOD won't change)*

✝ Malachi 3:6 ~ For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

✝ Hebrews 13:8 ~ Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

What GOD said in the Old Testament, HE also means in the New Testament.

3. FLASHING LIGHTS – *(Sometimes those the lights you see are fake: battery candles, neon)*

✝ Matthew 7:15 ~ **Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.**

✝ Matthew 24:5 ~ **For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.**

Some claiming to be GOD's shepherds will actually be leading you astray.

CONCLUSION: Trust JESUS as your **"Moral Compass"**.

