

JURYDUTY

With all due respect, as the Apostle Paul instructed those in Rome that were called of Jesus Christ: beloved of God, called to be saints, to let every soul be subject unto the higher powers (**Rom.13:1-7**). Then the Apostle instructed those in Crete, through Titus, “to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work” (**Titus 3:1**). The Apostle Paul instructs the Church through Timothy that even supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for kings, and **for all** that are in authority (**1Tim.2:1-2**). Then the Apostle Peter reminds the Church to submit ourselves to every ordinance of man **for the Lord’s sake** (**1Pet.2:13-15**). A Christian MUST note the instruction, “for the Lord’s sake”, because of its meaning which is, 1223 dia (dee-ah’); a primary preposition denoting the channel of an act; through: KJV-- through the ground or reason by which something is or is not done. So, when things that are asked or even commanded, stop being for the Lord’s sake; which simply means “according to his will” then it is the responsibility of a true suffering Christian, to hear and obey Christ, through his Holy Ghost guided apostles rather than men, as God has commanded (**Matt.17:1-8; Matt.28:16-20; John17:14-20 and Acts1:1-4**). Note the scriptural example of the Apostle Peter and the other Apostles, as they had been put in prison, verses **18** and **19** of **Acts** chapter **5**: **Acts 5:14-29...27** And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and the high priest asked them, **28** Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us.**29** Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, **We ought to obey God rather than men.**KJV

So, as one STRIVING to be a Christian (a follower of Christ), **the name Christian** indicates a **lifestyle and supersedes anything else that I am**. This also binds me to follow the instructions of Christ, through those that he authorized, (his apostles). Striving to be a Christian the **wife of Christ, John 3:29-30; 2Cor. 11:2; Rom.7:4; Eph.5:23**; this also **binds me to the law of Christ (Rom.8:1-9)**, through the word/doctrine of his apostles (which is in New Testament scripture) **John 17:20; Acts 1:1-4; 2:41-42; 1Cor.11:1-3; 2Pet.3:1-2; 1John4:4-6 and Jude 1:17**. The commandments of the Lord’s apostles are given to the Church of and by Christ, as they were guided by The Holy Ghost (**Matt.16:13-18; Eph.3:21; Eph.4:1-6; Eph.5:22-33; Col.1:9-20**). The Church MUST strive to follow these instructions circumspectly; “**Eph 5:15** See then that ye **(1)walk (2)circumspectly**, not as fools, but as wise, **16** Redeeming the time, because the days are evil. **17** Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is”.....**Definitions: (1)walk-4043** peripateo-to walk: b) Hebrew for, to live 1) to regulate one's life 2) to conduct oneself 3) to pass one's life. **(2)circumspectly-199** akribos (ak-ree-boce’); adverb from the same as 196; exactly: KJV-- circumspectly, diligently, perfect (-ly), exactly, accurately, diligently.

Reading and understanding **Luke 6:27-37**, it teaches me first; what the will of the Lord is on this matter, thereby teaching how “**the children of the Highest**’ MUST think and strive to live. “**Luke 6:27** But I say unto you which hear, **Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you, 28** Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you. **29** And unto him that smiteth thee on the one cheek offer also the other; and him that taketh away thy cloke forbid not to take thy coat also. **30** Give to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that taketh away thy goods ask them not again. **31** And **(1)as (2)ye would** that men should do to you, do ye also to them (3)likewise. **32** For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them. **33** And if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners also do even the same. **34** And if ye lend to them of whom ye hope to

receive, what thank have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again. **35** But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil. **36** Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. **37 (4)Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: (5)condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: (6)forgive, and ye shall be forgiven.” (KJV)**

Definitions:

(1)as-2531 kathos-1) according as, just as, even as, inasmuch, in proportion as, in the degree that since, seeing that.....**(2)ye would** that men should do to you -2309 thelo or ethelo in certain tenses; to will, to have in mind, b) to desire, to wish c) to love, to like to do a thing, to be fond of doing d) to take delight in, to have pleasure, be inclined to, choose or prefer, to wish: KJV-- desire, be disposed (forward), intend, list, love, mean, please, have rather.....**(3)do** ye also to them **likewise**-3668 homoiios-likewise, equally, in the same way....**(4)Judge** NOT-2919 krino (kree'-no); properly, to distinguish, i.e. decide (mentally or judicially); by implication, to try, condemn, punish: KJV-- avenge, conclude, damn, go to (sue at the) law, ordain, call in question, sentence to, to be of an opinion, to deem, to think, to determine, to resolve, to decree, to pronounce an opinion concerning right and wrong, to pronounce judgment, to subject to censure, used of those who act the part of judges or arbiters in matters of common life, or pass judgment on the deeds and words of others, to preside over with the power of giving judicial decisions, to contend together, to dispute, in a forensic sense....**(5)condemn** NOT-2613 katadikazo-to give judgment against (one), to pronounce guilty, to condemn....**(6)forgive**-630 apoluo (ap-ol-oo'-o); from 575 and 3089; to free fully, i.e. (literally) relieve, release, dismiss (reflexively, depart), or (figuratively) pardon or (specially) divorce: KJV-- (let) depart, let go, loose, set at liberty, to let go, dismiss, (to detain no longer), to acquit one accused of a crime and set him at liberty, indulgently to grant a prisoner permission to depart.

God was clear as to whom the **disciples** were to hear and obey; to be right, righteous with him

Matt 17:1-8

1 And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart, **2** And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light. **3** And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him. **4** Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. **5** While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him. **6** And when the **disciples** heard it, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid. **7** And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid. **8** And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only.

Jesus Christ gave these instructions and commandments; after reading, studying and understanding these scriptures, herein lies my dilemma

***Matt 5:7 Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.**(KJV)

Matt 5:38 Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth: 39 But I say unto you, That ye **(1)resist not evil:** but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.(KJV) **(Please read verses 40-48 also)**

Definition: (1) resist NOT evil-436 anthistemi (anth-is'-tay-mee);- from 473 and 2476; **to stand**

against, i.e. **oppose**: KJV-- **resist, withstand**.1) to set oneself against, to withstand, resist, oppose, to set against

****Matt 6:14** For **if (1)ye forgive men their trespasses**, your **heavenly Father will also forgive you**:(KJV)

Definition:(1)ye forgive-863 aphimi (af-ee'-ay-mee); from 575 and hiemi (to send; an intens. form of eimi, to go); to send forth, in various applications (as follow): KJV-- cry, forgive, forsake, lay aside, leave, let (alone, be, go, have), omit, put (send) away, remit, suffer, yield up, to disregard, to give up, to keep no longer.

Mark 7:21 For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed **evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, 22 Thefts, covetousness**, wickedness, **deceit**, lasciviousness, an evil eye, **blasphemy, pride, foolishness: 23 All these evil things come from within, and defile the man**.(KJV)

Again, understanding these scriptures by the Lord's Apostles, as they were guided by the Holy Ghost, **lies my dilemma. Please read listen and understand:**

****Rom 1:31** Without understanding, **covenantbreakers**, without natural affection, **implacable, unmerciful: 32** Who knowing the judgment of God, **that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them**. (KJV)

***Rom 12:17** **Recompense to no man** evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. **18** If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. **19 Dearly beloved, (1)avenge** not yourselves, but rather give **(2)place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. 20** **Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. 21** Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.(KJV)

Definitions

(1)avenge not yourselves-1556 ekdikeo (ek-dik-eh'-o);from 1558; to vindicate, retaliate, **punish**, to vindicate one's right, to do one justice, to protect, to defend one person from another, to avenge a thing, to punish a person for a thing: KJV-- a (re-) venge.

(2)but rather give place-5117 topos-1) a place, any portion or space marked off, as it were, from a surrounding space a) an inhabited place, as a city, village, district 2) **metaphorically**: a) the condition or station held by one in any company or assembly b) **opportunity, room, power, occasion for acting**.

Note: Here the apostle Paul dared the church of and by Christ, in Corinth, to take any brother before the law, **the unjust law**. So, true Christians can't take anyone before an unjust law, for the only just law is God's Law through Christ and his apostles. Note the instructions:

***1 Cor 6:1 (1)Dare** **any of you, having a matter against another, (2)go to law** before the **(3)unjust**, and **not before the (4)saints? 2** **Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world?** and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters? **3** Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life? **4** **If then ye have judgments of things pertaining to this life, set them to judge who (5)are least esteemed in the (6)church**.(KJV)

Definitions

(1) Dare any of you-5111 tolmao (tol-mah'-o);from tolma (boldness; through the idea of extreme conduct); to venture (objectively or in act: KJV-- be bold, boldly, dare, durst...5056 telos (tel'-os);from a primary tello (to set out for a definite point or goal); properly, the point aimed at as a limit, i.e. (by implication) the conclusion of an act or state (termination [literally, figuratively or indefinitely], result [immediate, ultimate or prophetic], purpose); specifically, an impost or levy (as paid): KJV-- + continual, custom, end (-ing), finally, uttermost....**(2) go to law**-2919 krino (kree'-no);properly, to distinguish, i.e. decide (mentally or judicially); by implication, to try, condemn, punish: KJV-- avenge, conclude, damn, determine, esteem, judge, go to (sue at the) law, ordain, call in question, sentence to, think, to be of an opinion, to resolve, to decree, to pronounce an opinion concerning right and wrong, to be judged, that is, summoned to trial that one's case may be examined and judgment passed upon it, to pronounce judgment, used of those who act the part of judges or arbiters in matters of common life, or pass judgment on the deeds and words of others, to preside over with the power of giving judicial decisions, to dispute in a forensic sense; to go to law, to have suit at law....(3) before the unjust-94 adikos (ad'-ee-kos);from 1 (as a negative particle) and 1349; unjust; by extension wicked; by implication, treacherous; specially, heathen: KJV-- unjust, unrighteous.descriptive of one who violates or has violated justice: a) unjust b) unrighteous, sinful c) of one who deals fraudulently with others, deceitful....**(4) not before the saints**-40 hagios (hag'-ee-os);from hagos (an awful thing) [compare 53, 2282]; sacred (physically, pure, morally blameless or religious, ceremonially, consecrated): KJV-- (most) holy (one, thing), saint....**(5) set them to judge who are least esteemed**-1848 exoutheneo (ex-oo-then-eh'-o); a variation of 1847 and meaning the same: KJV-- contemptible, despise, least esteemed, set at nought....(6) in the church-1577 ekklesia-an assembly of Christians gathered for worship in a religious meeting, a company of Christian, or of those who, hoping for eternal salvation through Jesus Christ, to observe their own religious rites, to hold their own religious meetings, and to manage their own affairs, according to regulations prescribed for the body for order's sake.

***1 Cor 6:7** Now therefore there is **(1)utterly** a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another. Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather suffer yourselves to be defrauded?(KJV)

Definition: (1)utterly a fault among you-3654 holos-wholly, altogether.

***Phil 3:16** Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing. 17 Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample. 18 (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that **they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: 19** Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.) **20** For our (1)conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: (KJV)

Definitions

(1)For our conversation is in heaven-4175politeuma; from 4176; a community, i.e. (abstractly) citizenship (figuratively), the form of government and the laws by which it is administered, a state, a commonwealth; the commonwealth of citizens:KJV--conversation. 4176 politeuomai; middle voice of a derivative of 4177; to behave as a citizen (figuratively): KJV—live (as a citizen).

2 Tim 3:12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. **13** But evil

men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived. **14** But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; **15** And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. **16** All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: **17** That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

***2 Tim 2:3** Thou therefore endure hardness, **as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.** **4** No man that warreth **(1)entangleth** himself with the **(2)affairs of this life; that he may please** him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.(KJV)

Definitions

(1) entangleth-(1707 empleko (em-plek'-o); from 1722 and 4120; to entwine, i.e. (figuratively) involve with: KJV-- entangle (inself, with), to inweave; used of a thing: to entangle, to involve in.....**(2) affairs** of this life-4230 pragmateia (prag-mat-i'-ah); from 4231; a transaction, i.e. negotiation: KJV-- affair.prosecution of any affair.

****James 2:12** So speak ye, and so do, as they **that shall be judged** by the law of liberty. **13** For he shall have **(1)judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy;** and mercy **(2)rejoiceth against** judgment. (KJV)

Definitions

(1)judgment without mercy-2920 krisis (kree'-sis); decision; by extension, a tribunal: KJV-- accusation, damnation, sentence of condemnation, damnatory judgment, condemnation and punishment.....**(2) mercy rejoiceth against judgment**-2620 (kat-ak-ow-khah'-om-ahee); from 2596 and 2744; to exult against (i.e. over): KJV-- **boast (against), glory, against.**

***1 Pet 3:9** Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing; **but contrariwise (1) blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing.**(KJV)

Definition: (1)blessing 2127 eulogeo (yoo-log-eh'-o); from a compound of 2095 and 3056; to speak well of, i.e. (religiously) to bless (thank or invoke a benediction upon, prosper): KJV-- bless, praise.

I Jn 3:15 Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. (KJV)

Christians are commanded by JESUS CHRIST to follow HIS apostles as they followed HIM; thereby obeying God through Him and his apostles!! Note the instructions:

Matt 28:16 Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain **where Jesus had appointed them.** **17** And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted. **18** And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. **19** Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: **20** Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen. (KJV)

John 16:12 I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. **13** Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, **he will guide you into all truth:** for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew **you things to come.**
John 17:14 I have given them thy word; and **the world hath hated them, because they**

are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. (KJV)

John 17:16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. **17** Sanctify them through thy truth: **thy word is truth.**(KJV)

John 17:20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also **which shall believe on me through their word**; **21** That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. (KJV)

Here are some scriptures showing some acts of the apostles, confirming the route of belief that was given by Christ Jesus; as he was praying to his Father, in **John 17:20**

Acts 1:1 The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, **2** Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost **had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen**: **3** To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God: **4** And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

Acts 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls. **42** **And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine** and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. (KJV)

1 Cor 11:1 Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ. **2** Now I praise you, **brethren**, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered them to you. **3** But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.(KJV)

II Th 3:4 And we have confidence in the Lord touching you, that ye both do and will do the things which we command you. (KJV)

II Th 3:7 For yourselves know how ye ought to follow us: for we behaved not ourselves disorderly among you; (KJV)

2 Pet 3:1 This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance: **2** That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, **and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:**(KJV)

I Jn 4:5 They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them. **6** We are of God: he that knoweth God **heareth us**; he that is not of God **heareth not us**. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.(KJV)

Jude 1:17 But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the **apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ**;(KJV)

THE LOCATION

OF THE SCRIPTURES MENTIONED DURING THE AUDIO ON JURYDUTY

1. The word of God, the two edged sword: Heb.4:12.

2. The word of God, through Christ and His apostles crucifies Flesh: Rom.6:6; 8:11-17; 13:11-14; Gal.5:16-26; 6:14; 1Pet.2:11-12; 4:1-5.
3. According to Jesus, there are FEW that will **find** ETERNAL LIFE: Matt.7:12-29; 20:16; 22:14; Luke13:22-28; 1 Pet 4:17-19; 2 Pet 2:1-22.
4. Christians MUST be partakers of the Lord Jesus' sufferings: 2 Cor. 1:1-8; Rom 8:16-18; Phil 3:7-11; 1Thes 3:1-5; 2 Tim 1:8; 2 Tim 2:1-5; 2 Tim 2:11-16; 2 Tim 4:1-5; 1 Pet 4:12-19.
5. The earth and the elements shall burn up with FERVENT HEAT: 2 Pet 3:8-12; 1John2:15-17.
6. In vain: Matt 15:7-9; Mark 7:7-9; 2 Cor.6:1-18; 1 Cor 15:1-3; 1 Cor 15:58; Gal 2:20-21
7. Faith without works is DEAD: James 1:19-27; James 2:17-26; Rev 14:13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and **their works do follow them.**
8. Say and do not: Matt 23:3 All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, that observe and do; but do not ye after their works: for they say, and do not.(KJV)
9. When the Lord Jesus and his apostles were summonsed, they went, and so MUST we, as Christians (Followers of Christ), even unto our death: John 18:1-40; 19:1-24; Acts 4:1-23; Acts 5:17-18; Acts 5:27-29; Acts 6:1-15; Acts 22:27-30; Acts 23:1-35; Acts 24:1-27; Acts 25:1-27; Acts 26:1-32.
10. The god of this world: 2 Cor 4:1-5; Eph 2:1-3; Eph 6:11-13; I Jn 5:19; Rev 12:9; Rev 13:6-9.
11. Christians MUST respect the devil as Michael the archangel did, and as the apostle Peter WARNED: Jude 1:8-10; 2 Pet 2:10-17.
12. According to the apostle Paul, whereby when we read, we may understand his knowledge in the mystery of Christ that was **revealed unto them, by the Spirit**: Eph 3:1-5.

Thanks for your understanding.

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