

SEVEN REASONS WHY THE CHURCH IS WRONG ABOUT MOSAIC LAW

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The following seven points prove that the Church's teaching against Mosaic Law is the biggest deception since Eve took a bite of that fruit, and why every Christian should walk out their faith in Jesus Christ through all the laws, statutes, commandments, ordinances and rules of Moses that apply them. This is the way Jesus, who is our Example in all things, lived and therefore, the way that Jesus wants all Christians to live.

1. Romans 3:20 states that the Law reveals *what* is sin ('by the Law is the *knowledge* of sin'). Unless specifically stated otherwise in the context, *Law* refers to Mosaic Law, and not just the *Ten Commandments*. This is proven in a simple way: if Jesus ate ham or shrimp just one time, *He would have sinned* and His sacrifice worthless. The prohibition against pig and shrimp isn't found in the Ten Commandments, but in Mosaic Law (Leviticus 11:1f.). Mosaic Law reveals what sin is, and so, not keeping Passover (Lev. 23:5f.) or the 7th day Sabbath (Gen. 2:1-3; Ex. 20:8-11) or eating bacon (e.g. any pig product, even lard) is sin, in God's eyes.
2. In Matthew 22:35-40 Jesus explains that the two great commandments are to love God and Man, and in verse 40, He says: "On these two commandments *hang all the Law* and the Prophets." *Jesus* is saying that the *reason* for *all the other commandments, statutes, judgments and rules* is to *explain how* to love God and Man. If one loves God, *according to Jesus*, he will keep Passover and not eat bacon nor catfish.
3. The Apostle John, **60 years** *after* the resurrection, wrote, "He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk *just as He walked*" (1st John 2:6). The Church says that Mosaic Law was nailed to the cross (Col. 2:14),¹ but obviously *John doesn't agree with the Church*. 'To walk just as He walked' means to keep all Mosaic Law that applies to you, *just as Jesus did*. In the Gospels Jesus kept the 7th day Sabbath holy all His life, and He even spoke of being the Lord of the *Sabbath* (Mark 2:28), not Sunday. Nowhere does Jesus hint at, let alone clearly declare, that Mosaic Law is not be for His followers. On the contrary, Jesus states that He did *not* come to abolish the (Mosaic) Law, and until Heaven and Earth *disappear*, not one letter of Mosaic Law will fail, and that *those who teach against it and break it will be called least in His Kingdom* (Matthew 5:17-19).
4. Hebrews 13:8 states that 'Jesus Christ is the *SAME* yesterday, *TODAY* and forever.' Jesus, or Yeshua, as His Hebrew name is, and as all His Apostles knew Him by, is our Head and all Christians are His Body. If the Head didn't break any Mosaic Laws while He was in Israel 2,000 years ago, how is it that His Body continues to sin against its Head and themselves by eating meats that He never ate, *nor would eat today*, and by keeping the feasts of the Roman Catholic Church (Sunday, Easter and Xmas), that He never kept, nor ordained in the New Testament? Were all the 'Jewish feasts' done away with and new ones given that aren't written of in the NT?
5. Jeremiah 31:31-34 is the only place in all the Old Testament that speaks of the New Covenant (Testament). There are other cites where God speaks of an everlasting covenant (i.e. the New Covenant; Ezekiel 37:26, etc.), but Jeremiah 31 is the only cite where He literally speaks of the New Covenant. In Jer. 31:33 God says, "But this is the covenant that I will make with the House of Israel after those days, says Yahveh: *I will put My Law in their minds and write it on their hearts*, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people." (Jer. 31:33)
 - a. Some think that the English word 'Law' here means only the Ten Commandments, but the Hebrew word behind *Law* is Torah, which means Mosaic Law. One of the chief reasons of the New Covenant is for God to put Mosaic Law upon the mind, and write it upon the heart of every Christian. This understanding is confirmed by the writer of Hebrews, who twice quotes this passage and explains it by saying 'laws,' instead of just Law (Heb. 8:10; 10:16).
 - b. Ezekiel 36:27 states that God will give us His Spirit, which will *cause* us to walk in His statutes and judg-

¹ Ask for the article *Col. 2:14—What was Nailed to the Cross?*

ments. “I will put My Spirit within you and *cause you to walk in My statutes*, and you will keep My judgments and do them.” Obviously, this isn’t just the Ten Commandments, which are found in Mosaic Law (Ex. 20:1f.; Dt. 5:1f.), but *all of God’s rules that apply to any one Christian*.

6. The Church teaches *illicit SEX* (an acronym for **S**unday, **E**aster and **X**mas, which is spiritual adultery, idolatry, against God). Jesus is *supposed* to be our Example of *how* we’re to walk out our faith in Him, as the Apostle Paul states: “Imitate me, *just as I also imitate Christ*.” (1st Cor. 11:1) What ‘Christ’ was Paul imitating? *No Christian kept Sunday, Easter or Xmas in Paul’s day*. The Church teaches against Mosaic Law, but in Paul’s day no Christian ate pork chops or lobster because all of them were imitating Jesus, and so they kept all the laws of Moses that applied to them (cf. Acts 21:24). This is evident from Scripture itself and also confirmed by Church History. No Scripture teaches we can keep illicit SEX or eat unclean meats.²
7. It was 90 years *after* the resurrection that the Bishop of Rome, whose office would later become that of the Pope (of the Roman Catholic Church), changed Sabbath to Sunday, replaced Passover with Easter Sunday, and threw out Mosaic Law. Samuele Bacchiocchi, in his masterful work, *From Sabbath to Sunday*, reveals that it was Bishop Sixtus (116-120 AD) who changed it.³ French scholar Marcel Simon says that the Nazarenes (the spiritual descendants of the Apostles) were “characterized essentially by their *tenacious attachment to Jewish observances*...They well represent...*the very direct descendants* of the primitive [apostolic] community.”⁴ In other words, they lived like the Apostles. Bacchiocchi writes that most scholars believe that the Nazarenes were the ‘direct descendants of the primitive community of Jerusalem,’ and that they “retained *the original practice of...Christianity*.”⁵ *Hundreds of years after the Temple in Jerusalem was destroyed* (70 AD), the Nazarenes kept the Feasts of Israel, and also, all the laws of Mosaic Law that applied to them. Eusebius (260-340 AD), a Roman Catholic Church bishop and church historian, writes of the leadership in the Church of Jerusalem, when Jerusalem was destroyed (a second time by Rome, in 135 AD), says that the leadership “consisted of converted Hebrews and was administered by 15 bishops from the *circumcision* (that is, they were Jewish believers)⁶ and they were “*zealous to insist on the literal observance of the Law*.”⁷ Eusebius labels those Nazarenes heretics, but it was the bishop who was on the wrong side of the biblical fence. Those Nazarenes were living out their faith in Jesus the way *all* the Apostles, *after* the resurrection, had done. Scripture *and* Church history confirm this. Consequently, this is the way all Christians *today should* walk out their faith in Jesus; through all the laws and rules of Moses that apply to them. Mosaic Law is an essential part of biblical Christianity because it reveals the full extent of what is sin, and therefore, what is also *pleasing* to God (i.e. Passover, etc.).

The Church is wrong about Mosaic Law. Did all this take God by surprise? Hardly. Five hundred years before Yeshua was born in Bethlehem, the angel Gabriel came to Daniel in Babylon and said:

“He (the Pope) shall speak blasphemous words against the Most High God. He shall *persecute the saints of the Most High God*, and shall intend *to change times (Feasts) and (Mosaic) Law*. Then the saints *shall be given into his hand* for a time and times and half a time.” (Daniel 7:25)

The Lord Jesus wants you to repent of your sins against Him (illicit SEX, etc.) and to walk out your faith in Him through all the rules of Mosaic Law that apply to you. Feel free to contact me through my website.

² See Law 102 at <http://seedofabraham.net/Law-102.pdf>, the section, Peter and the Pig, p. 6f., and also, *The Feasts of Israel as Time Markers After the Resurrection* at <http://seedofabraham.net/The-Feasts-of-Israel-as-Time-Markers.pdf>.

³ Samuele Bacchiocchi, *From Sabbath To Sunday* (Rome, Italy: The Pontifical Gregorian University Press, 1977). This is the definitive work on the issue of Sabbath vs. Sunday. In my free PDF of the book, which is at <http://seedofabraham.net/From-Sabbath-to-Sunday.pdf>, it’s p. 118f.

⁴ Ibid, note 401: M. Simon (p. 90, note 388)...J. Danielou...also views the Nazarenes as the descendants of the...Christians [i.e. the Jewish believers] who fled to Transjordan and who “regarded the Jewish observances of Sabbath and circumcision as still of obligation.” Marcel Simon (1907-1986) “was a French specialist in the history of religions, particularly relations between Christianity and Judaism in antiquity. His major work, *Verus Israel*, was published in 1948. It has been described as ‘seminal.’” (From http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marcel_Simon)

⁵ Ibid.

⁶ Ibid., p. 91. Eusebius, *HE* 4, 5, 2-11; Epiphanius, *Adversus haereses* 70, 10, *PG* 42, 355-356.

⁷ Ibid. Eusebius, *HE* 3, 27, 3, trans. by Kirsopp Lake; *Eusebius, The Ecclesiastical History*, 1949, I, p. 263. (Revised 2/8/17)