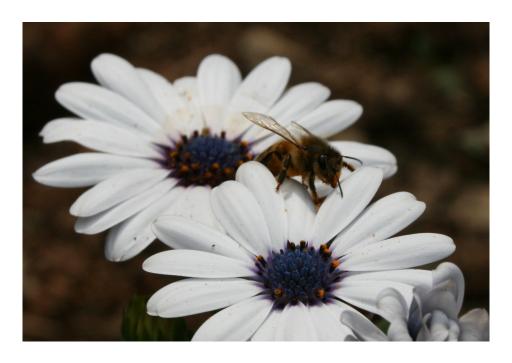
# Questions for the Truth Seeker

a study guide for the curious



"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in the field, which a man found and hid again; and from joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field."

~ Matthew 13:44

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## What is the purpose of scripture?

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.  $\sim 2 \text{ Timothy } 3:16\text{-}17$ 

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#### Is God's word eternal?

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.  $\sim$  Isaiah 40: 8

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# Does God do anything without first revealing it to His prophets?

"For the Lord God does nothing without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets.  $\sim$  Amos 3:7

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# Does God change?

For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. ~ Malachi 3:6

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

~ Hebrews 13:8

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#### Who is Yeshua?

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God.

All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made ...And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

~ John 1:1-3,14

He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is the Word of God. ~Revelation 19:13

Yeshua said to him, "I AM the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."  $\sim$  John 14:6-7

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## Did Yeshua preach a new doctrine?

Yeshua answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but His that sent me.  $\sim$  John 7:16

For I give your good doctrine, for sake ye not my Torah.  $\sim$  Proverbs 4.2

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#### How do we show God that we love Him?

If you love Me, you will keep My commandments. ~ John 14:15

For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments.

And His commandments are not burdensome.

~ 1 John 5:3

Whoever has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me. The one who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and reveal Myself to him."  $\sim$  John 14:21

Yeshua replied, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word.

My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make Our home with him.

~ John 14:23

By this we can be sure that we have come to know Him: if we keep His commandments.  $\sim 1$  John 2:3

And this is love, that we walk according to His commandments. This is the very commandment you have heard from the beginning, that you must walk in love.  $\sim 2 \text{ John } 1:6$ 

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# How long are we to keep His commandments?

You shall therefore love the Lord your God and keep his charge, his statutes, his rules, and his commandments always ~ Deuteronomy 11:1

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## Who are God's commandments for?

There shall be one law for the native and the stranger who sojourns among you."  $\sim$  Exodus 12:49

As for the assembly, there shall be one statute for you and the alien who sojourns with you, a perpetual statute throughout your generations; as you are, so shall the alien be before the LORD.  $\sim$  Numbers 15:15

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## What is sin?

Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness.  $\sim 1 \text{ John } 3.4$ 

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## What happens to those who practice lawlessness?

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.

Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'

And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'

~ Matthew 7:21-23

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#### Did Yeshua dying on the cross remove the law?

"Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

~ Matthew 5:17-19

Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and earth has passed away... Also there was no more sea. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

~ Revelations 21:1-4

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#### Why did Yeshua give us only two commandments?

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?"
Yeshua said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.'This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.."

~ Matthew 22:36-40

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

~ Deuteronomy 6.4-9
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## Can we worship God in any way we choose?

You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you.  $\sim$  Deuteronomy 4:2

"Do not worship the LORD your God in the way these pagan peoples worship their gods.

Deuteronomy 12:4

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#### Does God allow us to create tradition that contradicts His Word?

The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is based on merely human rules they have been taught.

~ Isaiah 29:13

"This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men."

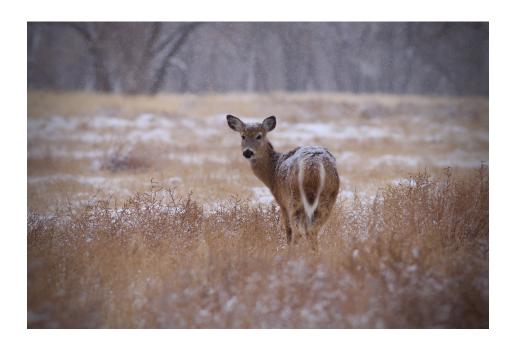
~Matthew 15:8-9

You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men." And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! ~Mark 7:8-9

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#### My son,

if you receive my words and treasure up my commandments with you, making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding; yes, if you call out for insight and raise your voice for understanding, if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures, then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God. ~ Proverbs 2:1-5



For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ~ Hebrews 4:12

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