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- Therefore, thou shalt love the Lord thy God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his judgments, and his commandments, always.
- 32 And ye shall observe to do all the statutes and judgments which I set before you this day.
- . The earthly realm was meant to be a physical extension of the glory of God's spiritual dwelling,

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Image of God:

We would have the nature of God and flow with the motivations of the spirit of God.

•Likeness of God:

We would possess intelligent will and the power to decree matters using the authority of God.

It was this makeup of the human person that would enable us to walk in dominion over the earthly realm; reflecting the image of God and walking in His authority.

- "The Charge of the LORD" refers to the commands, instructions, or responsibilities given by God to individuals or groups, often with a sense of divine authority and obligation.
- This concept is prevalent throughout the Bible, where God entrusts His people with specific duties, expecting obedience and faithfulness.
- · Isaiah 1:19-20
- If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

The statutes are divine laws and regulations set forth by God for His people to follow, serving as a guide for ethical living and community relations.

- The term "statutes" implies a prescribed path that aligns individuals and communities with God's purpose, distinguishing them from surrounding nations.
- 1 Peter 2:9
- But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light

Galatians 6:7-8

• Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

We can only do what we know to do.

Isaiah 11:2

"And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;"

2 Corinthians 2:11

• "Lest Satan should get the advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices."

2 Corinthians 4:4

• The god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

• 1 Peter 5:8

 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

• 1 Corinthians 2:14

• But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

• Romans 8:5

• For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

• Ephesians 6:12

 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Ephesians 6:10

 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

- Demons are referred to in the Scriptures as both "evil
- spirits" and "unclean spirits", and they are deployed
- by Satan to enforce the agenda of the kingdom of
- · darkness.
- John 10:10
- Jesus tells us that "the thief comes only to steal, kill, and destroy," but we are aware that the thief (Satan) is a singular entity.
- To carry out the fullness of his agenda, he requires the support of evil subordinates, otherwise known as demons.

- The activity of demons can be described in six main
- · words:
- Entice:
- Demons will make concerted efforts to persuade you to engage in behaviors that go against the will of God.
- James 1:14
- "But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed."

• Enslave:

Demons will make you a prisoner to sin. No matter how much you desire to refrain from engaging in a behavior that you know displeases God, you will find yourself unsuccessful when an evil spirit dwells in your vessel.

This is because when the spirit wants to execute its desires in your vessel, it pushes your will to the back of your mind and compels you to engage in whatever behavior it is motivating.

Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death. James 1:15

Compel:

- As mentioned above, demons compel you to engage in behaviors that transgress the will of God by hijacking your free-will decision-making abilities.
- They achieve this by suppressing your will when they want
- to express their desires through your vessel.

Matthew 24:24

For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.

Defile:

- Demons cause you to defile yourself and others as they express their destructive motivations through you.
- Harass:
- John 14:27
- Jesus says, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you.
- I do not give to you as the world gives." One of the primary motivations of the activity of demons is to strip you of the peace that Jesus makes available to us.

Torment:

- Demons would like to destroy your life, if possible.
- They do this by slowly upending every dimension of your reality, from your mental health, to your physical health, to your finances, and even extending to your relationships and beyond until you are absolutely hopeless.
- Daniel 7:25
- And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

The primary grounds of operation for demons is in the Mind, if they can hijack an individual in that area, they can upend their external reality and ultimately lead them to complete destruction.

Proverbs 23:7

For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee

2 Corinthians 10:5

Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

2 Corinthians 6:17

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

Leviticus 10:10-12

And that ye may put a difference between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean;

And that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the Lord hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses.

Psalm 119:9

Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.

Luke 13:3

I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Acts 3:19

Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord. Demons will infuse their darkness into your thoughts, emotions, personality, and will.

Remember, the kingdom of darkness is a highly organized and sophisticated kingdom.

Satan is okay playing the long game with an individual, slowly introducing them to one demonic habit after another until they look up after a decade and come into an awareness of how much their life has been derailed.

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Therefore, thou shalt love the LORD thy God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his judgments, and his commandments, always.

So, we play this game with ourselves.

I'm going through something.

You sure are the gates of hell and a miserable life on the way.

1 John 5:17

All unrighteousness is sin: and there is a sin not unto death

- Oftentimes, demonic activity in a vessel can go undetected, even for a lifetime without the active use of the probing and expelling power of the Holy Spirit.
- Luke 4:31-36, we see an example of a man who began manifesting a demonic spirit when Jesus was teaching with the authority of God.
- What we can gather here is that this man was a regular, synagogue-attending, Jewish man who showed no signs of demonic infestation prior to the Holy Spirit showing up on the scene.
- The authority carried in the words of Jesus agitated the spirit and forced it to expose itself.

This reality holds true in our time; without the Holy Spirit, who functions as the authority of God in a vessel, demons will remain undetected and quietly execute their nefarious intents.

Keeping his charge, and his statutes, and his judgments, and his commandments, always keep these demons at bay.

These statutes are intended to shape moral and ethical living, reflecting a covenant relationship between God and His people, and are essential for receiving God's blessings and protection.

His judgments,

In the Bible, keeping God's judgment means recognizing and adhering to His moral laws and righteous actions.

It involves: Recognizing Righteousness:

God's judgment reflects perfect justice, as seen in

Proverbs 21:3, which states that doing what is right is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.

Accountability:

Believers are accountable for their actions, as illustrated in Romans 14:10-12,

where they will give an account of themselves before the Lord.

Rooted in Justice:

God's judgments are rooted in His character, which is just and righteous, as stated in **Psalm 9:7-8**, emphasizing that He judges the world with justice.

Upholding Righteousness:

- Judgment serves as a means to uphold righteousness and punish wrongdoing, as seen in various biblical stories.
- Thus, keeping God's judgment involves living out His principles and being accountable for one's actions.

Judgment is Multifaceted:

- In the biblical context, judgment encompasses discernment, justice, and the opportunity for personal growth, not just punishment.
- Role of Self-Judgment: Individuals are encouraged to engage in self-reflection for moral alignment and accountability, fostering spiritual maturity.

His commandments

Rules by which we live.

Jesus Himself said in John 14:15 -

"If you love Me, keep My Commandments."

Matthew 5:17 - "Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill."

What is done away with under the New Covenant are the old requirements, as stated in **Colossians 2:14** - "Having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He (= Jesus) has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross."

Romans 13:8-9 -

"Owe no one anything except to love one another, because he who loves another has fulfilled the Law.

The Commandments: 'You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, You shall not covet'."

Romans 13:9-10

"Whatever other Commandment there may be, are summed up in this statement: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfillment of the Law."

God, by teaching us a righteous way of living through His Commandments, which are the Principles of His Kingdom, helps us avoid all the troubles and torment that come from sin and iniquity.

2 Chronicles 20:20b

"Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem:

Believe in the Lord your God; so shall ye be established. Believe His prophets; so shall ye prosper."

Psalms 9:17

"The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God."

Revelation 20:10

And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

Revelation 20:14

"And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death."