



"IN VAIN DO THEY WORSHIP ME"

MARK 7:1-13

The insulting and patronizing attitude of the religious elite toward the Scriptures;

DEUTERONOMY 6:4-7

⁴ "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵ You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶ And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. ⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise."

PSALM 19:7

⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17

¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

The force of Jesus' words

Leave (abandon, reject, make void);

MARK 1:31

³¹ And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever *left her*, and she began to serve them.

MARK 10:28

²⁸ Peter began to say to him, "See, we have *left everything* and followed you."

Hold (grasp, grip firmly and raise up, secure fast);

MARK 1:31

³¹ And he came and *took her by the hand and lifted her up*, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

MARK 5:41

⁴¹ *Taking her by the hand* he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise."

MARK 3:21

²¹ And when his family heard it, they went out to *seize* him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind."

MARK 6:17

¹⁷ For it was Herod who had sent and *seized* John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her.

Reject (invalidate, negate, nullify);

LUKE 7:30

³⁰ but the Pharisees and the lawyers *rejected* the purpose of God for themselves, not having been baptized by him.)

GALATIANS 2:21

²¹ I do not *nullify* the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.

HEBREWS 10:28

²⁸ Anyone who has *set aside* the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses.

Establish (observe, keep, guard);

MATTHEW 27:54

⁵⁴ When the centurion and those who were with him, *keeping watch* over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

MATTHEW 28:4

⁴ And for fear of him *the guards* trembled and became like dead men.

JOHN 8:51

⁵¹ "Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone *keeps* my word, he will never see death."

JOHN 9:16

¹⁶ Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not *keep* the Sabbath."

JOHN 14:15

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will *keep* my commandments.

Make void (invalidate, neuter, render powerless or ineffectual);

GALATIANS 3:17

¹⁷ This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not *annul* a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void.

Authority shared is a false authority;

MATTHEW 6:24

²⁴ "*No one can serve two masters*, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other..."

LUKE 6:46

⁴⁶ "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you?"

Evidence of idolatry:

JOHN 10:27

²⁷ My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

The difficult work of heart submission;