

THE DOCTRINES

Numbers 6:24-26 "The Lord bless you and keep you! May the LORD make his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! May the Lord turn his face upon you and give you peace!"

This topic has unfortunately been a subject of debate and division for the Church of Jesus Christ for centuries, not only for having the exclusivity of the truth, but also for remaining firm in faith and truth, exposing false doctrines.

Eph 4:11-15 It is he (the Lord) who has given some as apostles, some as prophets, some as evangelists, some as pastors and teachers, for the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry and the building up of the body of Christ, until we all come to the unity of faith and to the full knowledge of the Son of God, to the state of men made up to the perfect stature of Christ; so that we may no longer be like children tossed and carried hither and thither by every wind of doctrine by the fraud of men, by their cunning in the seductive arts of error; but, following the truth in love, we grow in all things towards him who is the head, that is, Christ.

THE DOCTRINE OF GOD AND CHRIST

Jn 7:15-17 ... the Jews marveled and said, "How is it that he knows the Scriptures so well without having studied?" Jesus answered them, "My doctrine is not mine, but the doctrine of him who sent me. If anyone wants to do his will, he will know whether this doctrine is of God or whether I speak of my own.

2 Jn 1:9-10 "He who goes beyond and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who remains in doctrine has the Father and the Son. If someone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine, do not

receive him into your home or greet him. (deceiver or antichrist who does not publicly acknowledge that Jesus Christ came in the flesh)

Joh 18:19 "So the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and his doctrine.

Acts 13:9-12 "Then Saul, also called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked at him and said to him, "O man full of all guile and malice, son of the devil, enemy of all righteousness, will you never cease to pervert the upright ways of the Lord? Behold, now the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you will be blind for a time, not seeing the sun." At that instant, darkness and darkness fell upon him; and going hither and thither he sought someone to lead him by the hand. Then the proconsul, seeing what had happened, believed, struck by the doctrine of the Lord.

THE DOCTRINE OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 5:27-29 "When they had taken them away, they presented them to the Sanhedrin, and the high priest questioned them, saying, 'Have we not expressly forbidden you to teach in this man's name? And behold, you have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and you want to bring upon us the blood of that man.'" But Peter and the other apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men.

FALSE DOCTRINES

1:7-9-10 For the bishop must be blameless as God's steward... ... that he may be able to exhort according to sound doctrine (2:1-10) and to convince those who contradict. For there are many rebels, charlatans, and deceivers of minds...

1 Tim 6:3 "If anyone teaches a different doctrine and does not hold fast to the sound words of our Lord Jesus Christ and to the doctrine that is according to godliness, he is proud and knows nothing; but he fixates on

questions and disputes of words, from which arise envy, strife, backbiting, bad suspicions, bitter arguments of people who are corrupt in mind and devoid of the truth, who consider piety as a source of gain. Piety, with a mind content with one's state, is a great gain.

2 Tim 4:2-4 preach the word, insist on every favorable and unfavorable occasion, convince, rebuke, exhort with every kind of teaching and patience. For the time will come when they will no longer endure sound doctrine, but, because of the itching of hearing, they will seek teachers in great numbers according to their own desires, and they will turn their ears away from the truth and turn to fables.

Rev 2:14-15 "But I have something against you: you have some who profess the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balak the way to make the children of Israel fall, causing them to eat meat sacrificed to idols and to fornicate. So you also have some who likewise profess the doctrine of the Nicolaitans.

The doctrine of Balaam the soothsayer was to teach King Balak and his people how to make the people of Israel sin with the Midianite women, with the sole purpose of gaining the riches promised by King Balak. Similarly, the doctrine of the Nicolaitans is a false teaching on the part of modern teachers (ministry doctor) for greedy gain. These teachers who have received salvation and spiritual gifts, having then fallen into pride and greed, teach meanwhile a salvation without repentance of sins by having only declare a simple prayer called "the sinner's prayer" and then teach that the grace of Christ allows man to sin freely, because forgiveness is easy to obtain; they preach a God who always forgives, so one can sin without fear, because God will not judge sin. Today many think in this way, that is, that God is so good and merciful, according to the comfortable yardstick of man, to the point that those who think in this way are not afraid to sin, this way of thinking would be similar to how the Nicolaitans thought. So if we understand this, what can we learn from what Christ declares to us through the message to the church in Ephesus? We can learn that Christ hates sin and wants us to hate sin too, it is not enough

not to sin if we then remain quiet seeing sin in others. Christ wants us to hate and loathe sin, too often, instead of hating sin we become accustomed to sin. The Bible warns us against the danger of having unbelievers or believers walking in the flesh as our company. When we don't follow God's guidance and choose those associations, then it becomes very difficult for us to hate sin. But how can we not hate what our Lord sent on the cross? How can we not hate what was leading us to an eternity of torment? How can we not hate what kept us bound, slaves and still keeps the people dear to us, bound and under condemnation? The only right position to have toward sin is to hate it. Christ praised this church because it hated sins, that is, the works of the Nicolaitans. This doctrine today can be renamed with this modern saying "once saved, always saved!" unfortunately taught by many pastors of various denominations, but especially by those who tend to preach prosperity and hypergrace, that is, Jesus has done everything and we don't have to do anything more, indeed we can even sin if we want so much, he forgives us anyway, because he paid for past, present, and future sins. This doctrine is not only anti-biblical and blasphemous, but it leads sincere believers to willingly persevere in sins and risk losing the salvation received by grace, denying the Lord who ransomed them.

There are only two references to this:

2 Peter 2:1-3,14-15,18-19 But there were also false prophets among the people, such as there will also be false doctors among you who will secretly introduce heresies of perdition, and, denying the Lord who ransomed them, will bring immediate ruin upon themselves. Many will follow them in their debauchery; and because of them the way of truth will be defamed. In their greed they will exploit you with false words; but their condemnation has long been at work, and their ruin will not be long in coming. They have eyes full of adultery and cannot stop sinning; they entice unstable souls; their hearts are trained to greed; they are children of curse! Leaving the straight road, they went astray, following the way of Balaam, son of Beor, who loved a wages of iniquity. By pompous and empty speeches they entice,

by the desires of the flesh and debauchery, those who have just turned away from those who live in error; they promise them freedom, while they themselves are slaves to corruption, because one is a slave to that which has conquered him.

Joh 1:4,11,16,19 "Because certain men have crept in among you (for whom this condemnation has long since been written); ungodly who turn the grace of our God into debauchery and deny our only Master and Lord Jesus Christ. Woe to them! For they have set out in the way of Cain, and for the sake of profit they have thrown themselves into the deeds of Balaam, and have perished by the rebellion of Korah. They are murmurers, discontented; They walk according to their passions; their mouths utter things incredibly swollen, and they surround people with admiration for interest. They are the divisive people, sensual people, who don't have the Spirit.

THE DOCTRINES OF MEN

The doctrines of men can be considered doctrines invented or coming from oral or written traditions, from religions or philosophies with the sole purpose of profit

Mt 15:6 ... Thus you have annulled the word of God because of your tradition. Hypocrites, Isaiah prophesied well of you when he said: "This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. In vain do they worship me, teaching doctrines that are the precepts of men."

Phil 3:18-19 "For many walk as enemies of the cross of Christ (I have often told you this, and I say it to you even now weeping), the end of which is perdition; Their God is the belly and their glory is in that which returns to them shame; people who have their minds to the things of the earth.

Ac 20:17,29-30 (The apostle Paul) From Miletus he sent for the Church elders. I know that after my departure ravenous wolves will come among

you, and they will not spare the flock; and even among yourselves there will arise men who will teach perverse things to drag the disciples after them.

THE DOCTRINES OF DEMONS

The doctrines of demons as opposed to those of men, on the other hand, are those that derive from the manipulation, distortion and falsification of the Scriptures

Mr 13:22 ... false Christs and false prophets will arise and will do signs and wonders to seduce, if possible, even the elect.

Mt 24:11 "Many false prophets will arise and deceive many.

1 Tim 4:1-2 But the Spirit says plainly that in future times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, led astray by the hypocrisy of lying men, marked by a mark on their conscience.

2 Corinthians 11:3-4,13-15 ... I fear that, as the serpent seduced Eve with his cunning, so that your minds are corrupted and led astray by simplicity and from purity with regard to Christ. For if anyone comes to preach to you another Jesus, different from the one we have preached, or if it is a question of receiving a spirit different from the one you have received, or a gospel different from the one you have accepted, you willingly bear it. Those are false apostles, fraudulent workers, who disguise themselves as apostles of Christ. No wonder, because even satan disguises himself as an angel of light. It is not exceptional, therefore, if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness; their end will be according to their works.

1 Tim 1:6-7 "Some have turned away from these things and have indulged in meaningless talk. They want to be doctors of the law but in reality they know neither what they say nor what they say with certainty.

2 Pt 2:1 "But there were also false prophets among the people, just as there will also be false teachers among you, who will secretly introduce heresies of perdition, and denying the Lord who ransomed them, they will bring immediate ruin upon themselves.

2 Peter 3:16-18 ... ignorant and unstable men twist to their perdition as well as the other Scriptures. You, beloved, knowing these things, be on your guard lest you be led away by the error of the wicked, and thus fall from your steadfastness; but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory, now and forever. Amen.

2 Corinthians 2:17 For we are not like those many who falsify the word of God...

2 Corinthians 13:13 "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." Amen.