

Message - Why Commands

Ecclesiastes 12:13

Now all has been heard;
here is the conclusion of the matter:
Fear God and keep his commandments,
for this is the duty of all mankind.

Heb. Living sacrifices....reasonable service

- Why's did God give us the Commands that is in the Bible

3 WHY'S (W/AN XTRA).

1.To set us up for Good/Blessing:

...God established a specific order in life. We have no control over this order.

...With in this order he established RIGHTS & WRONGS.

...Our choices of Rights & Wrongs cause different outcomes.

...Right choices cause good outcomes.

...Wrong choices cause difficult or bad outcomes.

...It's the way it is and there is no changing it. (People don't like this, but it's like wanting to fly)

...But they will bless us

Deuteronomy 5:33

...Walk in obedience to all that the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days in the land that you will possess.

2.To make sure we don't hurt/harm one another.

...**Romans 13:9** The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not covet," and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

...Sometimes we don't know our choices are hurting or gonna hurt if continued.

...When you study out the commands of God you see that they can split into 2 categories - Commands that effect our relationship with God and commands that effect our relationship with people.

...The commands of the God are all about respect.

3.To establish a measure of trust and love between us and him.

Trust - Adam/Eve:

...One command that established a level of trust and honor

toward God in the garden

...When Eve was tempted she was tempted in how she trusted

and honored God.

...But obeying the commands goes deeper than trusting God it also about loving him.

Love - **John 14:15** If you love me, keep my commands.

EXTRA WHY - To do creation good

Ending

Deuteronomy 10:12-13

And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God ask of you but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in obedience to him, to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to observe the Lord's commands and decrees that I am giving you today for your own good?