End Time – No Compromise!

William J.D. Shaw Updated: Oct 31, 2020

At the *end time* the Bible is very clear that there will be *no compromise* on following God's Will. There is a test or trial that will come upon the whole world. This is a pass or fail test, nothing in between. It is referred to in the following scripture as the hour of temptation.

Rev 3:10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of **temptation**, which shall come upon **all the world**, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

This is further described in Revelations according to the following;

Rev 13:15 And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

Rev 13:16 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, **to receive a mark** in their **right hand**, or in their **foreheads**:

Rev 13:17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

In God's eyes, the mark of the beast, when taken is the same as pledging allegiance to the beast or worshipping the beast. Those that do not worship the beast will be persecuted and likely many will be killed. Without taking the mark, one can neither buy nor sell in the one world economy. This is the trial or temptation that will come upon the entire world just before the Tribulation period.

There is a major and irreversible consequence for taking the mark of the beast. These people will experience the wrath of God and be cut off from the Lord forever.

Rev 14:9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, **and** receive *his* **mark** in his forehead, or in his hand,

Rev 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

Rev 14:11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, **and** whosoever receiveth the **mark** of his name.

The Holy Bible is clear, there is no compromise with taking the mark of the beast. Those that take the mark lose their salvation. Unfortunately there will definitely be a number of people who call themselves Christians that will say to themselves, that they will only pretend to worship the beast, so that they can take the mark in order to live, in order to buy and sell and not be persecuted. They will tell themselves that God will understand and be OK with it. Why will this happen?

There are a few various reasons why this will occur. First these people are lazy and or lukewarm, they do not on their own study the Bible and learn directly from God's Word. They rely on what pastors and others tell them, they follow the crowd of those around them. Second they do not believe what scripture tells them, they think they know better or rationalize to themselves of what they think scripture means. They ignore scripture that they do not like or does not fit into the path or way forward that is important to them. They are those who rationalize to themselves and do things that they think shows honor to God, even though it goes against scripture. They say to themselves that their heart and intent is right with God, so He understands and accepts what they do, even when it is not found acceptable in following scripture and God's Will. Man can rationalize anything that he

wants, convincing himself that it is OK with God. They always follow the way of the world and are used to compromise when it comes to God's word. They think that only blessings and good things of the world are to be bestowed upon them. Why this should occur is because they think their heart is so good and therefore they deserve only the best of this life and this should be given to them by God, essentially they demand it from God. They do not know that their heart is nowhere near what God expects from all of us. They do not understand that it is by following and walking in God's commands that our heart is able to continually grow in a manner that God requires. They look at Yeshua who will judge them as a God of love only and that He will understand the choices that they make. There are a couple of common characteristic of those that compromise, first they do not want to obey God and second they have let themselves be deceived. They have ignored Yeshua's many warnings of not being deceived. Ignore God's directives to you at your own peril. When one forms a habit, it for the most part becomes an automatic response in going forward and is extremely difficult to break. Recognize compromise to God's word becomes a habit.

Isa 64:5 Thou meetest him that rejoiceth and worketh righteousness, *those that* remember thee in thy ways: behold, thou art wroth; for we have sinned: in those is continuance, and we shall be saved.

Isa 64:6 But **we are all** as an unclean *thing*, and all our righteousnesses *are* as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

The Bible is crystal clear on this point of the mark of the beast. There is absolutely no compromise. The test is one of either pass or fail, there is no in between, there are no exceptions. The pass is one of obtaining an excellent reward, the fail is one of experiencing a drastic consequence.

A question one should ask themselves is in today's world, where the Tribulation has not yet started, do these same people compromise when it comes to God's Word and His Will? The answer is found by careful study of scripture and personal reflection. For most the way forward in this world is normally based upon what pastors and others tell them and what others follow. The main basis comes from Church doctrine and pastors that tell others saying, we do this to honor God, or God knows that our intent is right with Him so it is OK. This goes against what scripture says, but scripture is ignored by so many, saying it no longer applies or that it applies only to the Israelites or that it was only for some specific time in the past, or the words in scripture means something else when in fact the scriptures are clear and do not mean something else. Yes Church doctrine contains a way forward in compromise.

Essentially today, all but one of the Christian Churches compromise on God's directives to us. The only one that does not compromise is the Complete or Whole Bible Following Congregations, usually known as Messianic Christians. These are the ones that follow Lev 23 and all that is found in the first five books of the Bible as well as all that Yeshua (Jesus) told us and showed us. Every one of the other various Christian Churches say and believe that their way forward is the right or correct way, yet they compromise on God's Word by filtering and distorting God's Word. Yeshua and His disciples warned us 17 times to beware of deception working its way into the Churches. This has been ignored by the various Churches, they cannot even identify the deception that has worked its way in to their Churches. They want to go forward their own way, not wanting to go forward the way God has laid out for us or recognize that each and every one of us has a personal obligation to do God's Will and follow and obey Yeshua.

Let us identify three of the deceptions, where compromise has taken over, these three are contained in one directive from God's Holy Word, that being obey!

We are given an instruction of keeping the "Torah" or interpreted in many Bibles as "Law" and this contains within it the Holy Days of God. God's "Holy Days" as opposed to man's "holidays" which are traditions of man. Note that they are not the Jews Holy Days, they are God's. The first Holy Day of God is the weekly Sabbath, on the seventh day of the week and to be kept in the manner in which it is was given. This is the first major deception, Yeshua reinforced keeping the Sabbath, also He told us that in the Tribulation period to pray that our flight not be in the winter or on the Sabbath. We are told

after the Tribulation and during the Millennium that on New Moons and on the Sabbaths all the nations shall come and worship before the Lord.

Mat 24:20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, **neither on the sabbath day**:

Isa 66:23 And it shall come to pass, *that* from **one new moon to another**, and from **one sabbath to another**, shall all flesh come to **worship** before me, saith the LORD.

There is absolutely no scripture stating that the Sabbath has been either transferred to another day or done away with. Churches say they honour Yeshua by changing the Sabbath day from Saturday to Sunday, since they believe Yeshua rose from the dead on Sunday which may or may not be correct. Rather Yeshua rose on Nisan 17th and the day of the week it falls upon changes every year. If you truly follow Yeshua, then you keep the Sabbath on the seventh day of the week and you keep it in the manner God has directed us that it be kept.

Second we are told by Yeshua that the Torah has not been done away with, it is in effect until the current earth and heavens pass away. The **Torah** is the **first five books of the Old Testament**. The Hebrew word Torah means "Instruction designed to teach the truth of God", translated in most Bibles as "Law", which then loses it's much deeper meaning.

Note that the following scripture is referring to a future fulfillment (until all be fulfilled), check out the Strong numbers in both the Old and New Testaments.

Mat 5:18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law (*Torah*), till all be fulfilled.

Luk 16:17 And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law (*Torah*) to fail.

Mat 24:35 Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

In Malachi when we are told of the coming *Day of the Lord* or God's wrath upon the world during the Tribulation, we that are alive and approaching this coming time are reminded to remember the Torah along with the statutes and judgements before it is too late. The Statutes are God's Holy Days and the judgments are God's justice.

Mal 4:4 Remember ye the law (*Torah*) of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, *with* the statutes and judgments.

Third in the book of Leviticus 23 the Holy Days of God are defined. The first being the weekly Sabbath which has been covered above. However the next three are Passover, Unleavened Bread and First Fruits. These are all specific to the crucifixion, resurrection and Yeshua being the first fruit of the resurrected. They are defined upon specific days of the first month in God's calendar, not according to man's calendar. They are not Good Friday, and Easter Sunday as set by the Catholic Church and followed by all the Protestant Churches. Easter, being the evolution of the word Istar, a pagan god. The first three annual Holy Days are Nisan 14th, 15th through to the 22nd and the day after the first weekly Sabbath following after the 15th. Yeshua died on Nisan 14th and rose on Nisan 17th according to God's calendar. The day of the week that these fall on changes every year, except for the day of First Fruits, which always falls on the first day of the week.

In addition to the above three, the Bible never told man to keep and celebrate Yeshua's Birthday, that is a holiday set by man. We are told to keep all the Holy Days of God, being 8 specific times in total, with most containing annual Sabbaths. Christmas falls on a pagan holy day, and from

the Catholic Church it means Christ's Mass, or Christ's death not His Birth. But man celebrates Christmas telling himself it is OK because God knows man's intent, yet man ignores the directives from God to keep His Holy Days and other commands.

Yeshua told us to keep the commands and to do the Will of the Father. The Father's Will is found mainly in the first five books of the Bible, being the Torah.

Does God change? No God is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow. When He says something is forever, it stays as being forever until He tells us different. To date what God has told us has not changed. Rather it has been reinforced to us by Yeshua and by Paul, providing you are able to read God's word in the context that it was given, you will know this.

A major question that one should ask themselves, knowing how important it is to obey God and not to ignore what He directs us to do; is it today as important to follow the Torah and not man's ways, compared to that of not taking the mark of the beast in the tribulation period? Are the consequences the same?

**