

Turning a Pagan Holiday Into the Worship of Christ



Roman pagan religion of sun worship vs. the true message of the birth of Jesus Christ, Who He is and why He came to earth.

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When I was a kid going to Catholic elementary school in Chicago, I was taught by the nuns that the people who greeted Jesus when he entered Jerusalem saying, "Hosanna to the son of David" (Matthew 21:9) were the same ones who

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Dr. Maier bases his reasoning on Scriptures in Luke chapter 23:

Luke 23:20 Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them.

21 But they cried, saying, Crucify him, crucify him.

22 And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let him go.

23 And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed.

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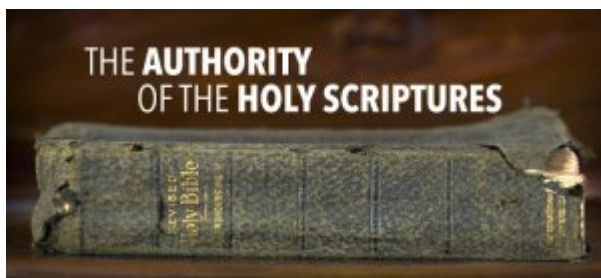
For more details from Dr. Maier, please see his excellent documentary!

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Matthew 16:12 Then understood they how that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the **doctrine** of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

At naunawaan nila na sila'y pinag-iingat niya sa mga katuruan ng mga Pariseo at mga Saduseo, at hindi sa pampaalsang ginagamit sa tinapay.

Matthew 22:33 And when the multitude heard this, they were astonished at his **doctrine**.

Nang marinig ito ng mga tao, namangha sila sa kanyang katuruan.

Mark 1:27 And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, What thing is this? what new **doctrine** is this? for with authority commandeth he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him.

Ang lahat ay namangha kaya't sila'y nagtanungan sa isa't isa, "Paanong nangyari iyon? Ito ay isang kakaibang katuruan! Makapangyarihan niyang nauutusan ang masasamang espiritu, at sumusunod naman ang mga ito sa kanya."

Mark 4:2 And he taught them many things by parables, and said unto them in his **doctrine**,

at sila'y tinuruan niya ng maraming bagay sa pamamagitan ng mga talinghaga.

Ganito ang sinabi niya:

Mark 11:18 And the scribes and chief priests heard it, and sought how they might destroy him: for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his **doctrine**.

Narinig ito ng mga punong pari at ng mga tagapagturo ng Kautusan. Buhat noo'y humanap na sila ng paraan upang patayin si Jesus. Subalit natatakot sila sa kanya dahil humahanga ang lahat sa kanyang mga turo.

Mark 12:38 And he said unto them in his **doctrine**, Beware of the scribes, which love to go in long clothing, and love salutations in the marketplaces, Sa kanyang pagtuturo, sinabi ni Jesus, "Mag-ingat kayo sa mga tagapagturo ng Kautusan na mahilig magpalakad-lakad na suot ang kanilang mahahabang damit at gustung-gustong binabati nang may paggalang sa mga pamilihan.

John 7:16 Jesus answered them, and said, My **doctrine** is not mine, but his that sent me.

Kaya't sinabi ni Jesus, "Hindi sa akin ang itinaturo ko, kundi sa nagsugo sa akin.

John 7:17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the **doctrine**, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.

Kung talagang nais ninumang sumunod sa kalooban ng Diyos, malalaman niya kung ang itinaturo ko'y mula nga sa Diyos, o kung ang sinasabi ko ay galing lamang sa akin.

It appears four times in the Book of Acts. There are a lot of combinations of "fours" in the Bible, four Gospels, four beasts (Revelation 6:1,6), four angels, four corners, four winds (Revelation 7:1)

Acts 2:42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' **doctrine** and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Inilaan nila ang kanilang mga sarili upang matuto sa turo ng mga apostol, magsama-sama bilang magkakapatid, magsalu-salo sa pagkain ng tinapay, at manalangin.

Acts 5:28 Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your **doctrine**, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us.

"Hindi ba't mahigpit namin kayong pinagbawalang mangaral sa pangalan ng taong iyan?" sinabi niya. "Ngunit tingnan ninyo ang inyong ginawa! Laganap na sa Jerusalem ang inyong itinaturo at nais pa ninyo kaming papanagutin sa pagkamatay ng taong iyan!"

Acts 13:12 Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the **doctrine** of the Lord.

Sumampalataya ang gobernador nang makita ang nangyari, at humanga siya sa katuruan tungkol sa Panginoon.

Acts 17:19 And they took him, and brought him unto Areopagus, saying, May we know what this new **doctrine**, whereof thou speakest, is?

Siya'y isinama nila at iniharap sa kapulungan ng Areopago at tinanong, "Maaari bang malaman namin kung ano itong bagong aral na itinaturo mo?

It appears 21 times in 12 chapters of the Pauline Epistles! The number 21 can be factored to 3 X 7, both significant numbers in the Bible. And of course, 12 is a significant number.

Romans 6:17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of **doctrine** which was delivered you.

Ngunit salamat sa Diyos, kayong dating mga alipin ng kasalanan ay taos pusong sumunod sa katotohanan na nasa aral na ibinigay sa inyo.

Romans 16:17 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and

offences contrary to the **doctrine** which ye have learned; and avoid them.

Mga kapatid, nakikiusap ako sa inyo: mag-ingat kayo sa mga pasimuno ng mga pagkakampi-kampi at sanhi ng pagtalikod dahil sa pagsalungat nila sa aral na tinanggap ninyo. Iwasan ninyo sila.

1 Corinthians 14:6 Now, brethren, if I come unto you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you, except I shall speak to you either by revelation, or by knowledge, or by prophesying, or by **doctrine**?

Kaya, mga kapatid, kung pumunta man ako riyan at magsalita sa inyo sa iba't ibang mga wika, ano ang mapapakinabang ninyo sa akin? Wala! Makikinabang lamang kayo kung tuturuan ko kayo ng mga pahayag ng Diyos, ng kaalaman mula sa kanya, ng mga mensahe mula sa Diyos, at ng mga aral.

1 Corinthians 14:26 How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a **doctrine**, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.

Kung nagpapasalamat ka sa Diyos sa pamamagitan ng espiritu lamang, paanong makakapagsabi ng "Amen" ang isang taong naroroon ngunit walang gayong kaloob, kung hindi niya nauunawaan ang iyong sinasabi?

Ephesians 4:14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of **doctrine**, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

Nang sa gayon, hindi na tayo magiging tulad sa mga batang madaling matangay ng sari-saring aral. Hindi na tayo maililigaw ng mga taong ang hangad ay dalhin tayo sa kamalian sa pamamagitan ng kanilang katusuhan at panlililang.

1 Timothy 1:3 As I besought thee to abide still at Ephesus, when I went into Macedonia, that thou mightest charge some that they teach no other **doctrine**, Gaya ng ipinakiusap ko sa iyo bago ako pumunta sa Macedonia, nais kong manatili ka sa Efeso upang utusan mo ang ilang tao diyan na huwag magturo ng maling aral,

1 Timothy 1:10 For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound **doctrine**;

Ibinigay rin ang Kautusan para sa mga mahihilig sa kahalayan at nakikipagtalik sa kapwa lalaki, para sa mga kidnaper, para sa mga sinungaling at sa mga bulaang saksi. Ang Kautusan ay ibinigay para sa lahat ng mga sumasalungat sa mabuting aral.

1 Timothy 4:6 If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good **doctrine**, whereunto thou hast attained.

Kung ituturo mo sa mga kapatid ang mga bagay na ito, ikaw ay magiging mabuting lingkod ni Cristo Jesus. At habang itinuturo mo ito, dinudulutan mo rin ang iyong sarili ng pagkaing espirituwal mula sa mga salita ng pananampalataya at sa tunay na aral na sinusunod mo.

1 Timothy 4:13 Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to **doctrine**.

Habang wala pa ako riyan, iukol mo ang iyong panahon sa pagbabasa ng Kasulatan sa harap ng mga tao, sa pangangaral at sa pagtuturo.

1 Timothy 4:16 Take heed unto thyself, and unto the **doctrine**; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.

Pakaingatan mo ang iyong sarili at ang iyong pagtuturo. Patuloy mong gawin ang mga ito sapagkat sa paggawa mo nito ay maliligtas ka, pati na ang mga

nakikinig sa iyo.

1 Timothy 5:17 Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and **doctrine**.

Ang mga matatandang pinuno ng iglesia na mahusay mamahala ay karapat-dapat tumanggap ng paggalang at kabayaran, lalo na ang mga masigasig sa pangangaral at pagtuturo ng salita ng Diyos.

1 Timothy 6:1 Let as many servants as are under the yoke count their own masters worthy of all honour, that the name of God and his **doctrine** be not blasphemed.

Ang mga alipin ay dapat magpakita ng buong paggalang sa kanilang mga amo upang walang masabing masama laban sa pangalan ng Diyos at sa ating aral.

1 Timothy 6:3 If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the **doctrine** which is according to godliness;

Kung nagtuturo ang sinuman ng ibang katuruan at di sang-ayon sa mga tunay na salita ng Panginoong Jesu-Cristo at sa mga aral tungkol sa pagiging maka-Diyos,

2 Timothy 3:10 But thou hast fully known my **doctrine**, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,

Ngunit sinunod mo ang aking itinuro sa iyo, ang aking ugali at layunin sa buhay. Tinularan mo ang aking pananampalataya, pagtitiyaga, pag-ibig at katapatan.

2 Timothy 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for **doctrine**, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

Ang lahat ng Kasulatan ay kinasihan ng Diyos, at kapaki-pakinabang sa pagtuturo ng katotohanan, sa pagsaway sa kamalian, sa pagtutuwid sa likong gawain at sa pagsasanay para sa matuwid na pamumuhay,

2 Timothy 4:2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and **doctrine**.

ipangaral mo ang salita ng Diyos; pagsikapan mong gawin iyan napapanahon man o hindi. Himukin mo at pagsabihan ang mga tao, at palakasin ang kanilang loob sa pamamagitan ng matiyagang pagtuturo.

2 Timothy 4:3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound **doctrine**; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

Sapagkat darating ang panahong hindi na sila makikinig sa wastong katuruan; sa halip, susundin nila ang kanilang hilig. Maghahanap sila ng mga tagapagturo na walang ituturo kundi ang ibig lamang nilang marinig.

Titus 1:9 Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound **doctrine** both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.

Kailangang matatag siyang nananalig sa mga tunay na aral na natutunan niya, upang ito'y maituro naman niya sa iba at maipakita ang kamalian ng mga sumasalungat dito.

Titus 2:1 But speak thou the things which become sound **doctrine**:

Kaya naman ituro mo ang mga bagay na angkop sa wastong aral.

Titus 2:7 In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in **doctrine** shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity,

Sa lahat ng paraan, maging halimbawa ka ng mabuting ugali at maging tapat ka at kagalang-galang sa iyong pagtuturo.

Titus 2:10 Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn

the **doctrine** of God our Saviour in all things.

ni kupitan man. Dapat silang maging tapat sa lahat ng pagkakataon, upang maipakita nila sa lahat nilang ginagawa ang kagandahan ng katuruan ng Diyos na ating Tagapagligtas.

It appears five times in four verses in the rest of the Epistles.

Hebrews 6:1 Therefore leaving the principles of the **doctrine** of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,

Kaya't iwan na natin ang mga panimulang aralin tungkol kay Cristo at magpatuloy tayo sa mga aral na para sa mga may sapat na gulang na. Tigilan na natin ang muling paglalagay ng pundasyon tungkol sa pagtalikod sa mga gawang walang kabuluhan at tungkol sa pananampalataya sa Diyos,

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2 John 1:9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the **doctrine** of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the **doctrine** of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

Ang hindi nananatili sa turo ni Cristo kundi nagdaragdag dito, ay wala sa kanya ang Diyos. Sinumang nananatili sa turo ni Cristo ay nasa kanya ang Ama at ang Anak.

2 John 1:10 If there come any unto you, and bring not this **doctrine**, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed:

Sinumang dumating sa inyo na ibang turo ang dala ay huwag ninyong tanggapin sa inyong bahay, ni huwag ninyong batiin, ll sapagkat ang bumabati sa kanya ay nagiging kaisa niya sa masamang gawain.

It appears three times in three verses in the Book of Revelation.

Revelation 2:14 But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the **doctrine** of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.

Subalit may ilang bagay na ayaw ko sa iyo: may ilan sa inyo na sumusunod sa katuruan ni Balaam na nagturo kay Balac upang mahikayat ang mga Israelita na magkasala. Kaya't kumain sila ng mga pagkaing inihandog sa mga diyos-diyosan at nakiapid.

Revelation 2:15 So hast thou also them that hold the **doctrine** of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.

May ilan din sa inyong sumusunod sa katuruan ng mga Nicolaita.

Revelation 2:24 But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this **doctrine**, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden.

"Ngunit para sa ibang mga taga-Tiatira, na hindi sumusunod sa katuruan ni Jezebel at hindi natuto ng tinatawag na 'malalalim na lihim ni Satanas,' ito ang sinasabi ko sa inyo: hindi ko kayo bibigyan ng ibang pasanin,

Is love also needed when teaching doctrine?

Absolutely! We should not become like the scribes and Pharisees with a holier than thou attitude when we teach doctrine from the Bible. The Bible says,

1 Corinthians 13:2 And though I have ... all knowledge; ... and have not charity, I am nothing.

Kung ako man ay may kakayahang magsalita ng mensahe mula sa Diyos at umunawa sa lahat ng hiwaga, kung nasa akin man ang lahat ng kaalaman at lahat ng pananampalataya, anupa't nakakapagpalipat ako ng mga bundok, ngunit wala naman akong pag-ibig, wala akong kabuluhan.

2 Timothy 2:25 **In meekness** instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;

Mahinahon niyang itinutuwid ang mga sumasalungat sa kanya, baka sakaling sila'y bigyan ng Diyos ng pagkakataong magsisi't tumalikod sa kanilang mga kasalanan at malaman nila ang katotohanan.

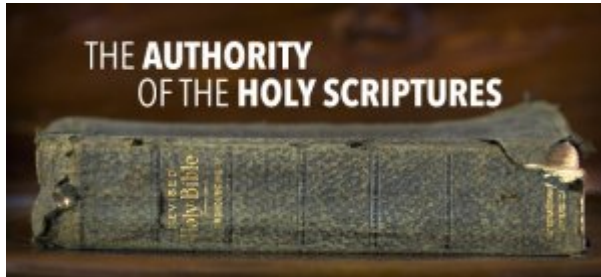
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Conclusion

From this study, would you say that teaching correct doctrine is important? Or would you say, "**Doctrine divides!** All Christians should be united as one! Let's continue on with ecumenicalism and unite with ALL religions, e.g., the Roman Catholic Church, the Orthodox Church, any Christian religion that claims to be Christians such as Mormons, Jehovah Witnesses, etc. Don't we all worship the same God?" My answer to that would be a resounding NO! Catholics include Mary in the Godhead.

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Matthew 16:12 Then understood they how that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the **doctrine** of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

Matthew 22:33 And when the multitude heard this, they were astonished at his **doctrine**.

Mark 1:22 And they were astonished at his **doctrine**: for he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes.

Mark 1:27 And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, What thing is this? what new **doctrine** is this? for with authority commandeth he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him.

Mark 4:2 And he taught them many things by parables, and said unto them in

his **doctrine**,

Mark 11:18 And the scribes and chief priests heard it, and sought how they might destroy him: for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his **doctrine**.

Mark 12:38 ¶ And he said unto them in his **doctrine**, Beware of the scribes, which love to go in long clothing, and love salutations in the marketplaces,

Luke 4:32 And they were astonished at his **doctrine**: for his word was with power.

John 7:16 Jesus answered them, and said, My **doctrine** is not mine, but his that sent me.

John 7:17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the **doctrine**, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.

John 18:19 ¶ The high priest then asked Jesus of his disciples, and of his **doctrine**.

It appears four times in the Book of Acts. There are a lot of combinations of "fours" in the Bible, four Gospels, four beasts (Revelation 6:1,6), four angels, four corners, four winds (Revelation 7:1)

Acts 2:42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' **doctrine** and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Acts 5:28 Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your **doctrine**, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us.

Acts 13:12 Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the **doctrine** of the Lord.

Acts 17:19 And they took him, and brought him unto Areopagus, saying, May we know what this new **doctrine**, whereof thou speakest, is?

It appears 21 times in 12 chapters of the Pauline Epistles! The number 21 can be factored to 3 X 7, both significant numbers in the Bible. And of course, 12 is a significant number.

Romans 6:17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of **doctrine** which was delivered you.

Romans 16:17 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the **doctrine** which ye have learned; and avoid them.

1 Corinthians 14:6 Now, brethren, if I come unto you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you, except I shall speak to you either by revelation, or by knowledge, or by prophesying, or by **doctrine**?

1 Corinthians 14:26 How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a **doctrine**, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.

Ephesians 4:14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of **doctrine**, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

1 Timothy 1:3 As I besought thee to abide still at Ephesus, when I went into Macedonia, that thou mightest charge some that they teach no other **doctrine**,

1 Timothy 1:10 For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound **doctrine**;

1 Timothy 4:6 If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou

shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good **doctrine**, whereunto thou hast attained.

1 Timothy 4:13 Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to **doctrine**.

1 Timothy 4:16 Take heed unto thyself, and unto the **doctrine**; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.

1 Timothy 5:17 Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and **doctrine**.

1 Timothy 6:1 Let as many servants as are under the yoke count their own masters worthy of all honour, that the name of God and his **doctrine** be not blasphemed.

1 Timothy 6:3 If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the **doctrine** which is according to godliness;

2 Timothy 3:10 But thou hast fully known my **doctrine**, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,

2 Timothy 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for **doctrine**, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

2 Timothy 4:2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and **doctrine**.

2 Timothy 4:3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound **doctrine**; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

Titus 1:9 Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound **doctrine** both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.

Titus 2:1 But speak thou the things which become sound **doctrine**:

Titus 2:7 In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in **doctrine** shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity,

Titus 2:10 Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the **doctrine** of God our Saviour in all things.

It appears five times in four verses in the rest of the Epistles.

Hebrews 6:1 Therefore leaving the principles of the **doctrine** of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,

Hebrews 6:2 Of the **doctrine** of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.

2 John 1:9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the **doctrine** of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the **doctrine** of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

2 John 1:10 If there come any unto you, and bring not this **doctrine**, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed:

It appears three times in three verses in the Book of Revelation.

Revelation 2:14 But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the **doctrine** of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.

Revelation 2:15 So hast thou also them that hold the **doctrine** of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.

Revelation 2:24 But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this **doctrine**, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden.

The plural of the word, doctrines, appears five times in five verses in the Bible.

It's very interesting to me that in each case the plural word is used in a negative sense meaning bad or false doctrines!

Matthew 15:9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching for **doctrines the commandments of men**.

Mark 7:7 Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for **doctrines the commandments of men**.

Colossians 2:22 Which all are to perish with the using;) after the **commandments and doctrines of men**?

1 Timothy 4:1 ¶Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and **doctrines of devils**;

Hebrews 13:9 Be not carried about with divers and **strange doctrines**. For it is a good thing that the heart be established with grace; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein.

Words Modifying Doctrine

Deuteronomy 32:2 **My (God's) doctrine** shall drop as the rain

Proverbs 4:2 For I give you **good doctrine**

Matthew 7:28 when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at **his doctrine**:

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Acts 17:19 May we know what this **new doctrine**,

Ephesians 4:14 every **wind of doctrine**

1 Timothy 1:10 **sound doctrine**

1 Timothy 4:6 the words of faith and of **good doctrine**

2 Timothy 4:3 **sound doctrine**

Titus 1:9 Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able **by sound doctrine**

Titus 2:1 But speak thou the things which become **sound doctrine**

Hebrews 6:1 the **doctrine of Christ**

2 John 1:9 the **doctrine of Christ**

Is love also needed when teaching doctrine?

Absolutely! We should not become like the scribes and Pharisees with a holier than thou attitude when we teach doctrine from the Bible. The Bible says,

1 Corinthians 13:2 And though I have ... all knowledge; ... and have not charity, I am nothing.

2 Timothy 2:25 **In meekness** instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;

We are to teach doctrine from the Bible in a spirit of love and meekness and not in an arrogant condescending attitude. When we know our own weaknesses and faults, it's easier to remain humble. Remember, Jesus came not for the righteous, but to bring sinners to repentance. We are ALL sinners. The problem with some people is they don't think of themselves as a sinner.

1 John 1:8 ¶If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

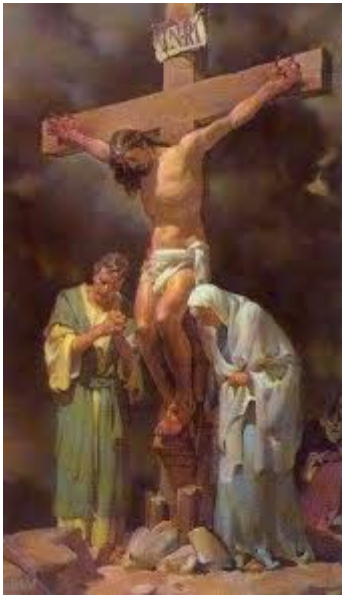
9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Conclusion

From this study, would you say that teaching correct doctrine is important? Or would you say, "**Doctrine divides!** All Christians should be united as one! Let's continue on with ecumenicalism and unite with ALL religions, e.g., the Roman Catholic Church, the Orthodox Church, any Christian religion that claims to be Christians such as Mormons, Jehovah Witnesses, etc. Don't we all worship the same God?" My answer to that would be a resounding NO! Catholics include Mary in the Godhead.

Jesus Died on a Thursday!



Jesus rose on a Sunday morning. To be in the grave 3 days and 3 nights means Sunday night, Saturday night, & Friday night. He therefore died on a Thursday.

The True Story of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ



Every year Christians celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead. His cruel death by crucifixion took place at the same time as the Jewish holy celebration of Passover. What they had been symbolizing for over one thousand years with the killing of sacrificial lambs and the Passover supper was now happening to the Lamb of God. On the very evening and at the very hour that

people throughout the land were selecting and slaughtering Passover lambs, Jesus was crucified.

The way Jesus died also fulfilled many other Old Testament prophecies in amazing detail.

"He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so He opened not His mouth" (Isaiah 53:7). When Jesus stood trial for His life before the governor, Pontius Pilate, Jesus didn't speak in His own defense (Matthew 27:12-14).

About one thousand years before crucifixion became a usual means of execution in the Roman Empire, King David wrote of the Messiah: "All my bones are out of joint. ... They pierced My hands and My feet" (Psalm 22:14, 16). In death by crucifixion, the weight of the victim's body pulls his arms out of their sockets. Most of the condemned were tied to their crosses, but Jesus was nailed to His-through the hands and feet.

It was also customary for the Romans to break the legs of those who had been hanging on their crosses for hours but hadn't died yet. The lack of support for the body caused the windpipe and lungs to collapse, and hastened their deaths. But when the Roman executioners came to do this to Jesus, they found that He was already dead. Thus another Bible prophecy was fulfilled: "[God] guards all His bones; not one of them is broken" (Psalm 34:20).

God had to temporarily turn His back on His own Son so Jesus might die the death of the sinner.

Instead, just to make sure Jesus was dead, one of the Romans thrust a spear into Jesus' side, piercing His heart. "And immediately blood and water came out" (John 19:34). This fulfilled the scripture, "I am poured out like water ... My heart has melted within Me" (Psalm 22:14). One would expect blood to flow from a spear wound, but not water. Where did that come from? Medical science has found that people who die in great anguish of heart often have an accumulation of water around the heart. Jesus died of a broken heart-for you and me.

Jesus also died feeling like the lost sinner. He went through an experience that, thank God, we will never have to go through-not just crucifixion, not just agony of body, but agony of mind and spirit, feeling that God had deserted Him. As He died, "Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, 'Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?' that is, 'My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?'" (Matthew 27:46).

Had God forsaken Him? Yes, momentarily He had. He had to, that Jesus might die like a sinner dies, without God. Think of it: Jesus died the death of the unsaved, in agony! God had to temporarily turn His back on His own Son so Jesus might die the death of the sinner.

Did God answer Jesus on the cross? There's no record of an answer. Jesus felt that God had deserted Him at that moment when He needed Him most.

Jesus suffered the spiritual agony of the dying sinner-lost, without

salvation, without God, dying for his sins. Only in Jesus' case He was dying for our sins, the sins of the whole world. He was willing to go through all that so we could be forgiven and have eternal life. Such love!

"And they made His grave with the wicked-but with the rich at His death" (Isaiah 53:9). Jesus was unjustly condemned and crucified between two common criminals (Matthew 27:38). Yet after His death, a rich man who was among Jesus' followers, Joseph of Arimathea, laid Jesus' body in his own new tomb (Matthew 27:57-60).

After Jesus' body was laid in the tomb, to make sure His disciples didn't steal His body and claim He'd risen from the dead, the tomb was sealed and some Roman soldiers stood guard (Matthew 27:62-66).

Three days later, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came at dawn to the tomb, and an angel appeared and rolled the stone away. When the Roman guards saw the angel, "they shook for fear of him, and became as dead men." But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid. ... Jesus is not here; for He is risen, as He said." And the angel showed the women where Jesus' body had lain (Matthew 28:1-8). Jesus had risen from the dead!

[A Muslim's testimonial of conversion to faith in Christ](#)



A Muslim meets Jesus Christ, the Son of God, in prison!

I was really touched by this young man's message. I showed it to the folks who attend our Sunday evening fellowship meeting. Everybody was impressed. I hope you appreciate it too!