



“All Scripture is given by
inspiration of God...” 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Colossians 2:18-23

- Paul asks a question: “Why do you subject yourselves to regulations?
 - **PERISH** ... according to the commandments of men
- These things have an appearance of wisdom...
 - but have **NO VALUE**
 - The indulgence of the **flesh**



Doctrine

“Doctrines of men”

- **What is a doctrine?**

- A principle or position or the body of principles in a branch of knowledge or system of belief

(Merriam-Webster)

- A belief or set of beliefs held and taught by a Church, political party, or other group

(Dictionary Oxford Languages)

- Doctrine in religion - Doctrine refers to the entire body of essential theological truths that define and describe that message which includes historical facts and the teachings of the Bible

(Dictionary Oxford Languages)

Doctrine

- Is the Bible a doctrine?
- The Bible is not a doctrine!
- The Bible is **THE DOCTRINE** authorized and written by God – 2 Timothy 3:16-17
 - It is complete!
 - It is infallible!

Doctrines of Men

Pharisees and self imposed religious regulations

- To prevent people from sinning in numerous ways under the Old Law, the Jewish elders established rules or as they called them traditions (doctrines). These traditions carried the weight of commands.
- Mark 7:1-9, Matthew 15:2-9
Jesus condemned such rules that men create. By following creeds of men, Jesus said that made them hypocrites because they honor God but followed their own rules.
- By following doctrine of men, Jesus said it made their worship to God worthless (vain) because they laid aside God's commands for their own.

Doctrines of Men

- Religions today take it upon themselves to do the same thing Jesus condemned the Pharisees for doing.

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The Journey to Christmas
begins in Rome.



Romans 6:1-6
1 Corinthians 6:9-11

First United Methodist Church in Charlotte, N.C., hosted hundreds of LGBTQ people and their allies May 1, 2024, for a celebratory sing-along after the United Methodist General Conference lifted a ban on gay ordination. (RNS photos/Yonat Shimron)

Doctrines of Men

- Surprise! NOT - The Pharisees were offended at what Jesus had said – Matthew 15:12-14
- Jesus will go on to teach the actuality of a single doctrine – Matthew 16:18, 28:18; Romans 16:16
- No human, not even angels have the right to change **THE** doctrine **God** put in place – Galatians 1:6-10
- Outside **THE** doctrine of God there is no hope – 2 John 9-11

Doctrines of Men

“Let no one cheat you of your reward

taking delight in false humility and worship
of angels, intruding into those things
which he has not see, vainly puffed up by
his fleshly mind”

Colossians 2:18

What must I do to be saved?

Acts 16:30

- **Believe in Jesus –**
John 8:24/3:16
- **Repent of Sins –**
Luke 13:3-5; Acts 2:38/7:30-31
- **Confess your Faith in Jesus –**
Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9
- **Baptism for the Remission Of Sins –**
Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38/22:16
- **Live Faithfully for life –**
Revelation 2:10; James 2:10