

# Avoiding Foolish Worship

Part 2

Ecclesiastes 5:1-2

- Previously we discussed that a church of the Lord doesn't redefine God's terminology or God's instructions for His worship because the times are different
- But a church can have all of its procedures according to the scripture, and terminology correct for its members (Christians, Saints, Priests)
- A church can emphasize the importance of communion every Sunday and still offer up the **worship of fools** if they miss one certain thing in their worship
- Don't just assume that because the doctrine alone is right that you are alright

# Solomon Says in Ecclesiastes 5:1

*“Draw near to LISTEN  
rather than offer the sacrifice of fools.....”*

Jesus said  
*“...blessed are those who hear the word  
of God and keep it.”*  
*Luke 11:28*

Jesus' Primary Command To The Disciples  
Who Were Following Him By The Letter

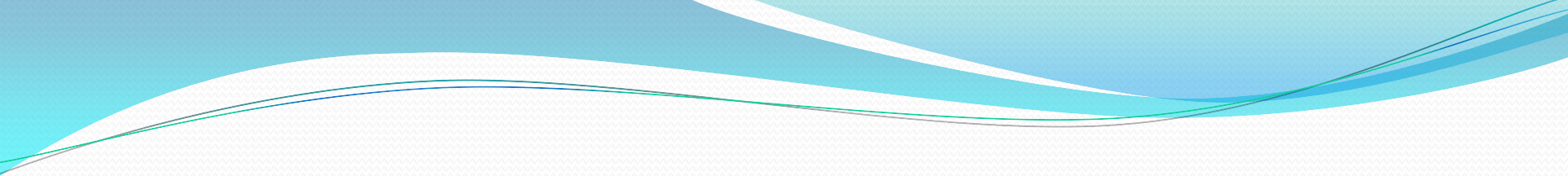
***“This is My  
commandment,  
that you love one  
another as I have  
loved you.”***

*John 15:12*

# The New Testament Is Full Of “One Another” Scriptures

- Romans 12:5, *“So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.”*
- Romans 12:10, *“Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another.”*
- Romans 13:8, *“Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law.”*

- **Romans 14:13, “Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather resolve this, not to put a stumbling block or a cause to fall in our brother’s way.”**
- **Romans 14:19, “Therefore let us pursue the things which make for peace and the things by which one may edify another.”**
- **Romans 15:7, “Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God.”**
- **Romans 15:14, “Now I myself am confident concerning you, my brethren, that you are also full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another.”**
- **Romans 16:16, “Greet one another with a holy kiss. The churches of Christ greet you.”**

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- Unless we “one another, one another,” we will offer the worship of fools.
  - As a Church we can do all the right things, and call Bible things by Bible names, and have our doctrine the way it’s suppose to be; but if we don’t show love one for another, we still displease God with our worship, and offer the worship of fools.

# We Must Learn To Love One Another Or Risk Offering the Worship Of Fools! Matthew 5:23-24

*“Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.”*

- Don't try offering your gift to God until you've have set things right with your brother or sister that has a problem with you
- You see, if Christians don't show love, and forgive one another and pray for one another and don't honestly try to fix what is wrong, God doesn't want their worship. It's the sacrifice of fools



# Why Would A Christian Mistreat God's People?

They Miss A Couple of Points

#1

- They forget who God Is
  - Solomon says remember who you are and where you are
  - God is in heaven
  - You're on earth
  - He is God and You and I are not
  - He's in charge and you and I are Not

#2

- Worship starts before you get to church; having God's presence and influence with you every day should change your behaviour  
Galatians 2:20

***“Guard your steps WHEN YOU GO TO THE house of God” Ecc. 5:1***

# The Plan Of Salvation

Hear the Gospel

Acts 15:7

Believe the Gospel

Acts 15:7

Repent of Sins

Acts 17:30

Confess Christ

Acts 8:37

Be Baptized

Acts 8:38