

Ignoring the Pointless

It isn't often that God tells us something we should ignore. But, when it comes to expressing our confidence in Him, there are some things that we should feel free to ignore. In fact, if we don't ignore them, they will shake and destroy our confidence.

Scripture(s): Colossians 2:16-3:4

Remember this - Holding onto Jesus and Jesus alone means we let go of _____ standards of measuring up.

I. The first thing to let go of as we hold on to Christ Jesus as our cornerstone is human opinions about what we _____. Unless directly stated in the Bible, we should not accept condemnation from others (or give it ourselves) about what we eat, drink, celebrate or how _____ God as God.

Romans 14:5 One person regards one day above another, another regards every day alike. Each person must be fully convinced in his own mind. 6 He who observes the day, observes it for the Lord, and he who eats, does so for the Lord, for he gives thanks to God; and he who eats not, for the Lord he does not eat, and gives thanks to God. Hebrews 8:5; Hebrews 9:9; Hebrews 10:1

II. The second thing to let go of as we hold on to Christ Jesus as our cornerstone is other people's _____ of God. Personal spiritual experiences are not to be applied without _____ to others.

III. The third thing to let go of as we hold on to Christ Jesus as our cornerstone is the _____ of men. Remember, many try to avoid sinning through following rules; but rules only lead us to wonder if we have done _____. Romans 7:7-13 (1 Corinthians 10:31-33)

Implications

1. If God is happy with us, we should enjoy our celebrations of His goodness to us without _____.
2. Spiritual experiences should encourage or comfort us, but they should not be used as the _____ of the Christian life.
3. We should use our love for _____, not rules or guilt, to guide our choices.

How can I live this out?

1. Become convinced beyond insecurity or _____ what walking with Jesus means for you.
2. Reject the temptation to measure another person's goodness by what you _____ or _____ do.
3. _____ your love for Jesus and how much you understand His love for you.

1 John 4:18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love.

Ask Jesus...

When it comes to my everyday life, am I holding on to You or worrying about the _____ of others?

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