

Following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ

RELATIONSHIP WITH THE ECCLESIA:

Memorial meeting (bread/wine): **1 Cor 11:23-24**

Jesus says "Do this in remembrance of me"

Jn 6:41 "I am the bread that came down from heaven"

Jn 15:1-3 "I am the true vine"

Head coverings: **1 Cor 11:1-16** Men uncovered, women covered "in the ecclesia"

Role of Ecclesia: **Heb 10:24-25** "not forsaking assembling together".

Brothers and Sisters' roles: **1 Tim 2:8-15; 5:5**

Men teach and pray "in the ecclesia", Women do not teach or lead the ecclesia.

Titus 2:3-5 Sisters teach younger women, care for children and household, very valuable support.

Preaching: **2 Tim 4:2** Preach always. **1 Pet 3:15** "Be ready always to give an answer"

Fellowship: **1 Jn 1:1-7; Acts 2:42** Apostles' doctrine, fellowship, breaking of bread, prayers.

No fellowship with churches: Warning of apostasy: **2 Thess 2:1-13; Rev 17:1-6; 18:4** Daughters of Rome

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHERS:

Marriage: **1 Cor 7:39** "only in the Lord" **2 Cor 6:14-18**

Not be "unequally yoked with unbelievers"

Divorce: **Mal 2:16** God hates putting away.

Matt 19:3-6 Jesus said, "let not man put asunder" (quoting Genesis)

Brother in a fault: **Matt 18:15-17** Speak to him first before speaking to others.

Do not take your brother to Court: **Matt 5:38-40**

Turn the other cheek. **Matt 8:26-35** The Unmerciful servant parable.

Morality: **1 Cor 6:9-10** Sexually immoral and homosexuals will not inherit the Kingdom.

Modesty: **1 Tim 2:9-10** Dress with modesty, decency and self-control.

RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD:

How to grow spiritually: **2 Tim 3:15-17** Read God's Word. **Acts 17:11** Daily readings vital.

Prayer: **Mt 6:7-14** The Lord's prayer.

Phil 4:6 "do not be anxious about anything... but pray"

Counting the cost: **Mt 10:38-39** Anyone who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me.

Endurance: **Mt 10:22** he that endures to the end shall be saved. **Lk 9:62** Do not look back.

RELATIONSHIP WITH THE WORLD:

Daniel 4:17 "That the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men."

Politics / Voting: **Dan 4:17,25,32; 5:21** God rules in Kingdom of Men. **Jn 19:10-11** Pilate and Jesus

Police force / Army: **Jn 18:36** "My kingdom is not of this world (else) would my servants fight"

Mt 26:52 "Put up again thy sword ...for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword"

Jury duty: **Mt 7:1** "Judge not, that ye be not judged" **Jn 19:10** "no power unless it is given you from above"

Separate from world: **1 Jn 2:15-16** Love not the world **Jms 4:4** friendship with the world is enmity with God

Entertainment: **Phil 4:8** Whatsoever things are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, good report, think on these.

Obey governments: **Rom 13:1-8** Govts are established by God. Obey laws, pay debts. **Mt 22:21** Pay taxes.

Drugs and Alcohol: **1 Cor 6:9-10** Drunkards will not inherit the Kingdom. **Mk 15:23** Jesus refused the wine.

Oaths: **Jms 5:12** Swear not. Let your 'yes' be 'yes,' and your 'no,' 'no' (take an affirmation).

ENDURING TO THE END:

Matt 10:22 Jesus said, "He that endures to the end shall be saved."

Heb 12:1-3 Throw off every weight that hinders. Run with endurance the race set before us. Fix our eyes on Jesus who for the joy set before him endured the cross.

James 1:12 "Blessed is the man that endures temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life..."

1 Peter 1:7 "the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ,"

Gal 6:2 "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ"

CREATION AND EVOLUTION:

Genesis Creation: **Mt 19:4-5** Jesus believed in Adam and Eve. **Mt 23:35; 1 Jn 3:12** Abel a real man.

1 Cor 1:20-21 The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.

Rom 5:12-19; 1 Cor 15:22 Adam a real man.

