

Commands or Culture?

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Introduction

1. 1 Corinthians 9:19-22
2. Questions about culture and commands have come up many times in many places how can we tell the difference is a most important question
3. Paul in them above passage said that there were some things that did not matter; that could be set aside and he would do that to win souls to Christ.
4. Let us study together some important matters concerning this subject.

II Discussion

1. Law or lack of law that is the question.
 - A. Matthew 16:18-19; 18:18 can we bind and loose? NO!
 - B. The Pharisees made laws where God did not intend to make laws. Matthew 12:10; 15:3-9
 - C. Judizing teachers took somethings too far. Acts 15:1; 22-24; 16:3; Gal 2:3-5
 - D. We can too.
 1. Cup Matt 26:26-28 not a cup but the cup, then has to be just one! Not many! What about the bread, where's the container?
 2. The church treasury. 1 Tim 5:9; Acts 6; who was taking care of these widows.
 - E. Can we let a man who has many wives keep them? 1 Corinthians 7:10
2. Does the Gospel change with the seasons?
 - A. Galatians 1:6-9; Jude 3; 1 Corinthians 15:1-4; Romans 1:16
 - B. No the Gospel does not change!
3. Commands are here forever.
 - A. Culture does not and can not change the Gospel!
 - B. Notice something about footwashing. John 13:
 1. Gen 18:4; 24:32; 43:24; Judges 19:21; 1 Samuel 25:41
 2. This is an old custom but it is not part of the beginning
 - C. Notice something about the kiss of greeting.
 1. Rom 16:16 not the kind of greeting but the how of the greeting.
 2. Genesis 27:26; 31:28; 1 Kings 19:20; Matt 26:48
 - D. The role of women are set in principles from creation
 1. 1 Corinthians 14:33-34
 2. Hair 1 Corinthians 11:16
 3. 1 Timothy 2:8-15

III Conclusion

1. Just because someone says that culture has changed does not mean that biblical truths change, they remain the same.
2. The truth is that we must be baptized to be saved, have you been baptized for the right reason?
3. Then why not do so now

Sources: personal email, A universal code of Ethics; Rightly Dividing the word II;