

Why Not Obey the Old Testament?

2 Cor. 3:13-14

Introduction:

- A. About 3/4 of the Bible is labeled “The Old Testament”
- B. What should we do with “Old Testament?”
 - 1. Study it?
 - 2. Revere it?
 - 3. Obey it?
- C. It is obvious that few people today obey it? Should they?
 - 1. “Remember the Sabbath day?” (Ex. 20:28).
 - 2. Dietary laws.
 - 3. Sacrifice laws.
- D. The Book of Hebrews contrasts the Old and New to show why we should no longer obey the old.

Discussion

I. The Old and New Covenants (Heb. 8:6-13)

- A. A quote from Jeremiah 31:31-34)
- B. Old to vanish away (v. 13; cf. Col. 2:14)

II. The Old and New Priesthoods (Heb. 7:1-28)

- A. Heb. 2:16-17
- B. Heb. 4:14-16

III. The Old and New Sacrifices (Heb. 9:7-10:14)

IV. The Old and New Practices.

- A. No longer bound to Sabbath, dietary and sacrifice laws.
- B. No trips to Jerusalem, etc. (cf. John 4:20-26)
- C. Go to God through Christ, not an earthly priest.
- D. Earthly house vs. spiritual house.
- E. Geographical nation vs. spiritual nation.

Conclusion:

- A. Cannot obey both covenants - like two horses in different directions.
- B. What part of the bible is inspired of God? – all of it.
- C. What part should we read and study? – all of it.
- D. What part should we obey? (Heb. 10:8,9)