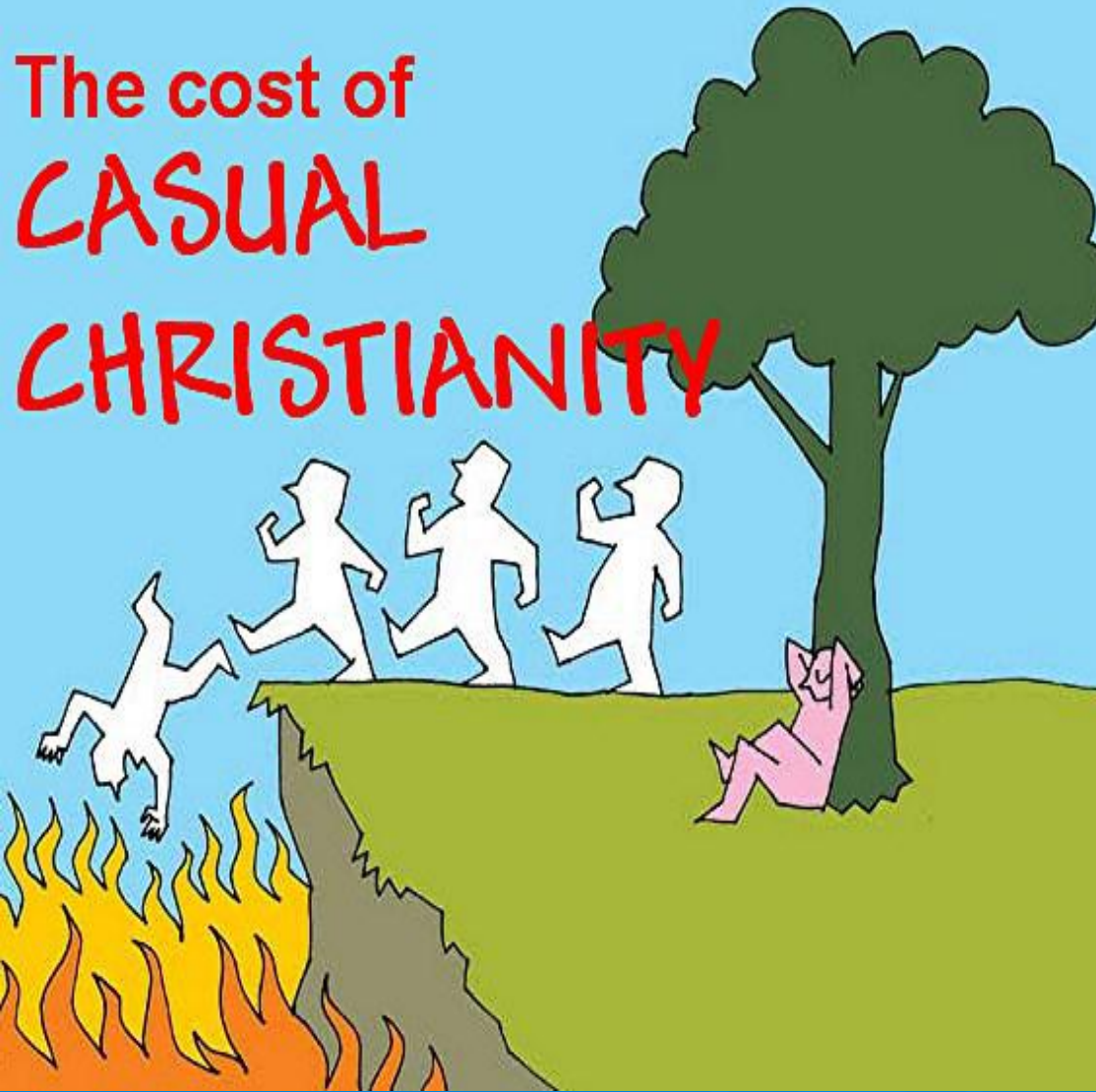
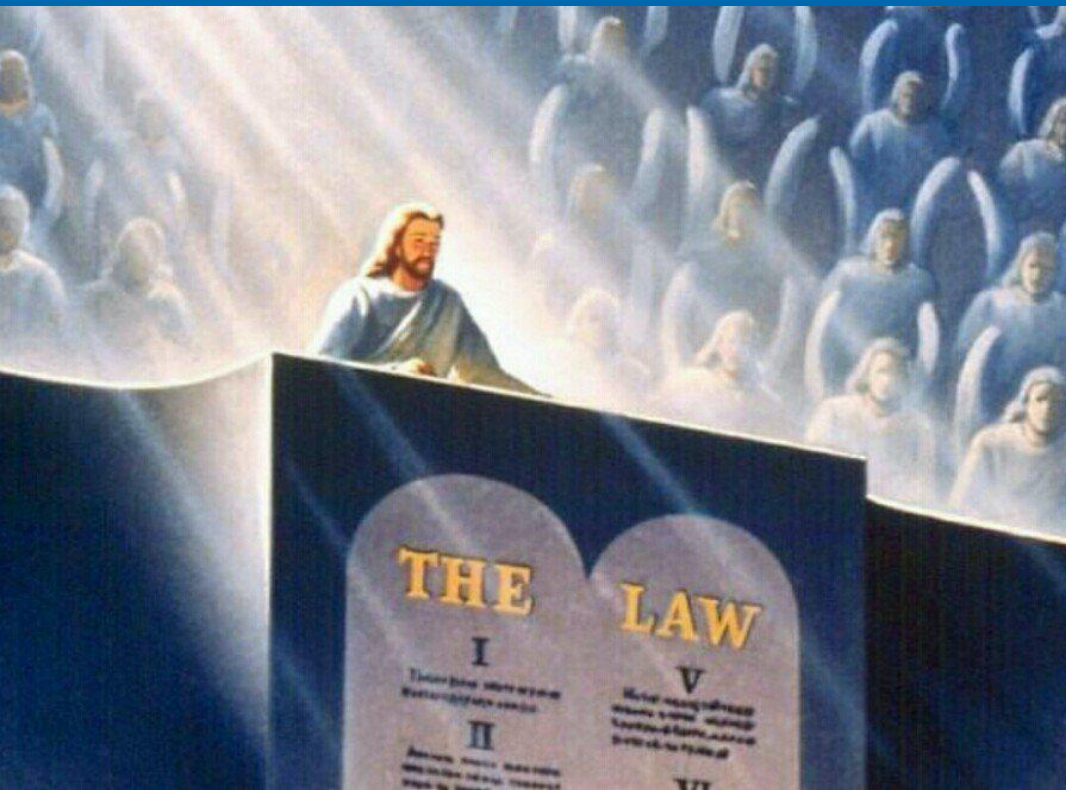
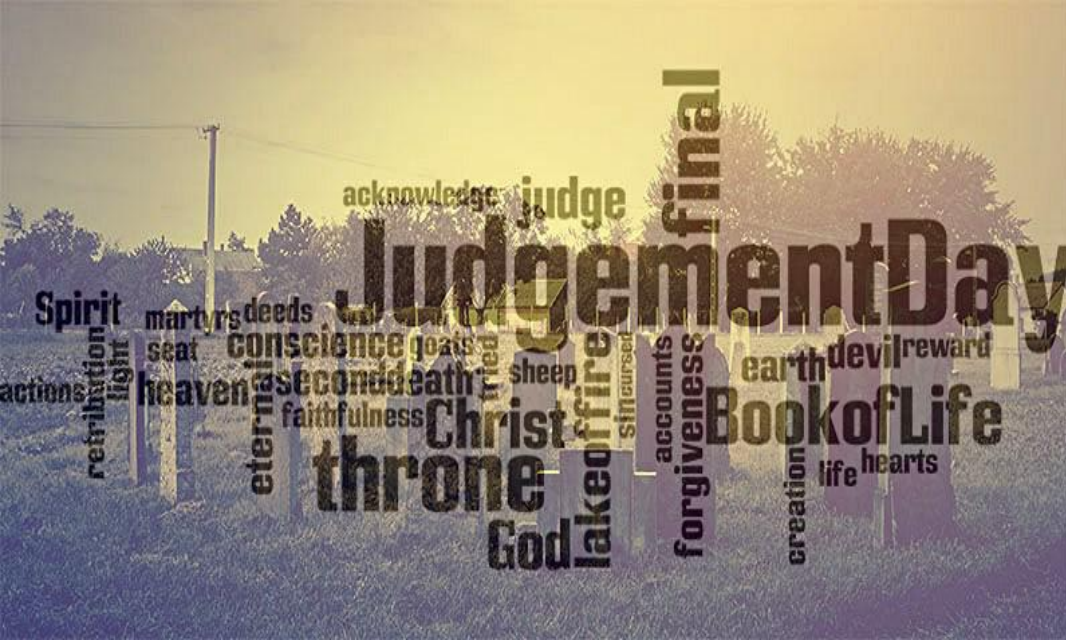


The cost of CASUAL CHRISTIANITY



- Matthew 7:22, 23
- Workers of lawlessness
- 1 Corinthians 5:1 – 5
- A Casual Christian is one who practices disobedience, and is usually proud of it
- Possible expulsion from the congregation is only the beginning
- On Judgment Day the cost has an eternal effect



- “On that Day” = The Day of the Lord
- Judgment will be rendered based on our works and deeds
- Every human will be judged
- 2 Criteria
 - 1) If He “knows” us
 - 2) Are we “workers of lawlessness”
- To “not know” = to renounce or reject
- 1 Corinthians 8:1 - 3

- Know can = knowledge
- Knowledge can = to possess information
- To know can = a firm conviction
- For Christ to not know = to not accept
- “iniquity” KJV or “evil doers” NAB are poor translations
- Our many manmade legal systems can NOT be what is used by Yeshua to judge us for eternity

1Corinthians 5:1 - 3



lawlessness: Grk. *anomia*

•from *nomos*, law, and the negative particle "a," making the word the equivalent of Torahlessness or living contrary to Torah commands.

DO NOT
THINK.....



- Matthew 5:17 – 19
- The Law of Moses is not dead and gone
- This issue has divided the gentile Church from our faith roots
- “Law” refers to several different things
- Christians see the Law as a rigid set of OT rules
- Judaism sees the Law as more than the Law of Moses
- It includes Oral Law, *Halachah*, and Tradition

- Judaism sees Christians as:
- 1) Declaring The Law null and void
- 2) The Law was rigid, wretched, faulty
- 3) Grace as a NT innovation, with NT grace replacing OT law
- Jews see grace as the point of the Sacrificial System
- Did Paul teach differently than Christ taught on the subject of The Law?

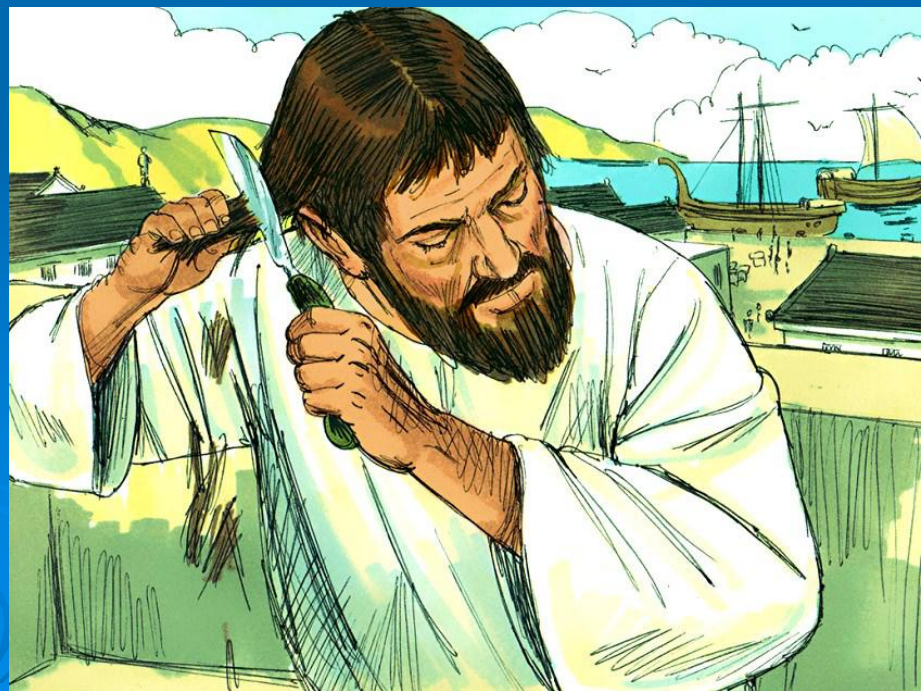


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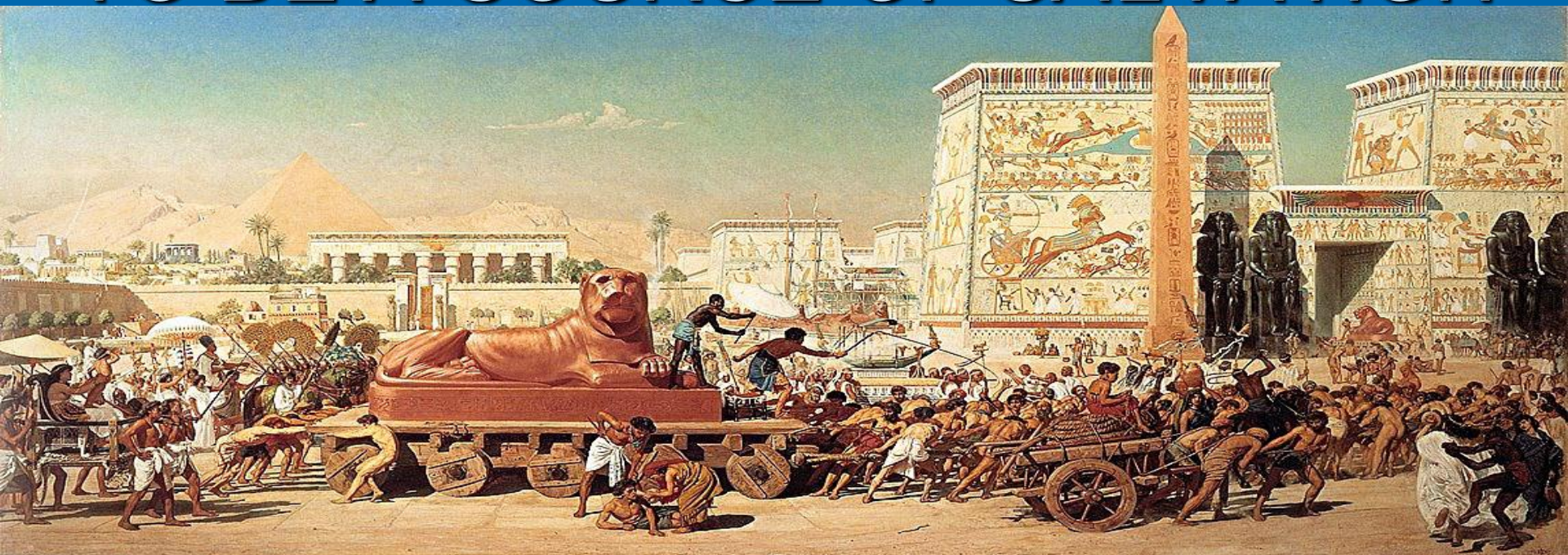


DID PAUL STOP OBEYING THE LAW

- Acts 21:15 – 26
- Paul took the Nazarite vow ritual without balking
- Matthew 5:17 – 19
- Christ told thousands to obey The Law; so did Paul teach his followers the opposite?
- Our eternity will be greatly affected by our decision about The Law

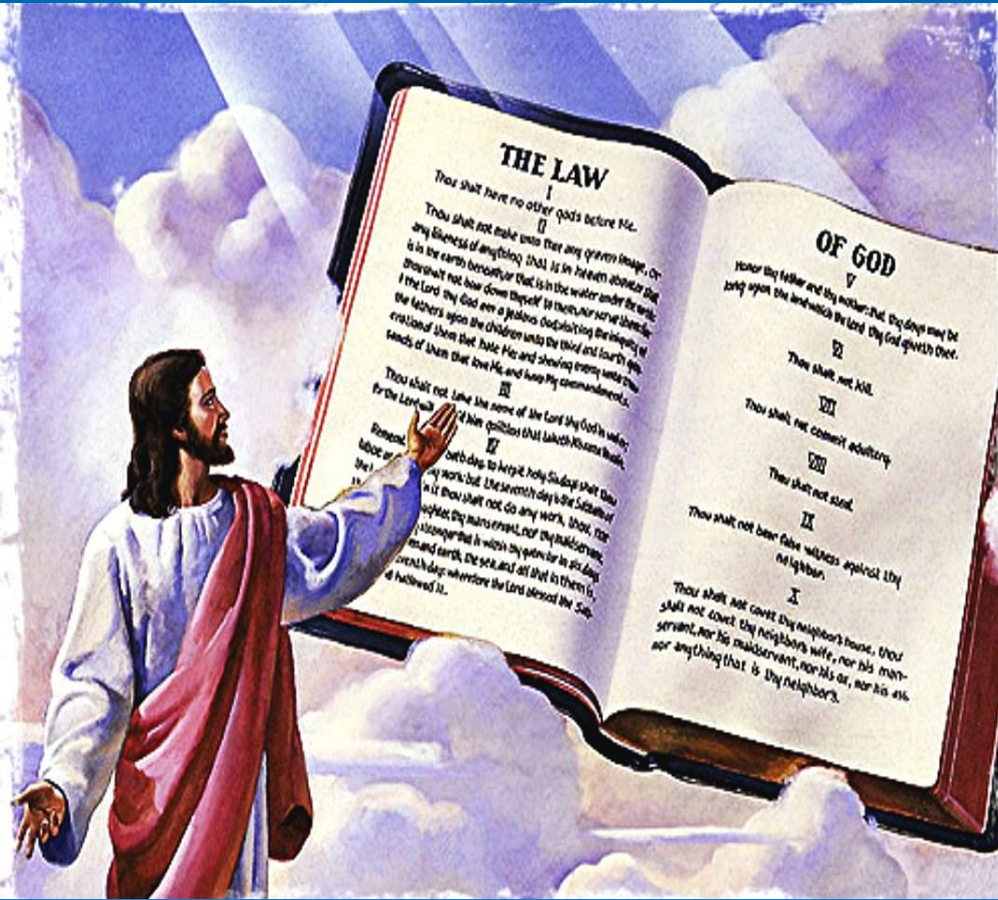


THE LAW WAS NEVER CREATED TO BE A SOURCE OF SALVATION



- Israel was redeemed from Egypt first, and later received The Law on Mt. Sinai
- First we receive Christ, THEN we have the ability to carry out The Law in the spirit intended
- The Torah is our manual for living the redeemed life

THE LAW TELLS US WHAT SIN IS, AND REVEALS OUR SIN NATURE



- The Law gives us the knowledge and the consciousness of sin
- Much of the Church says that The Law is only for Jews
- If this is true, then how can Christians claim that a Jewish-only Law is our source for revealing our sin?

TRUSTING CHRIST CONFIRMS THE TORAH AND THE LAW

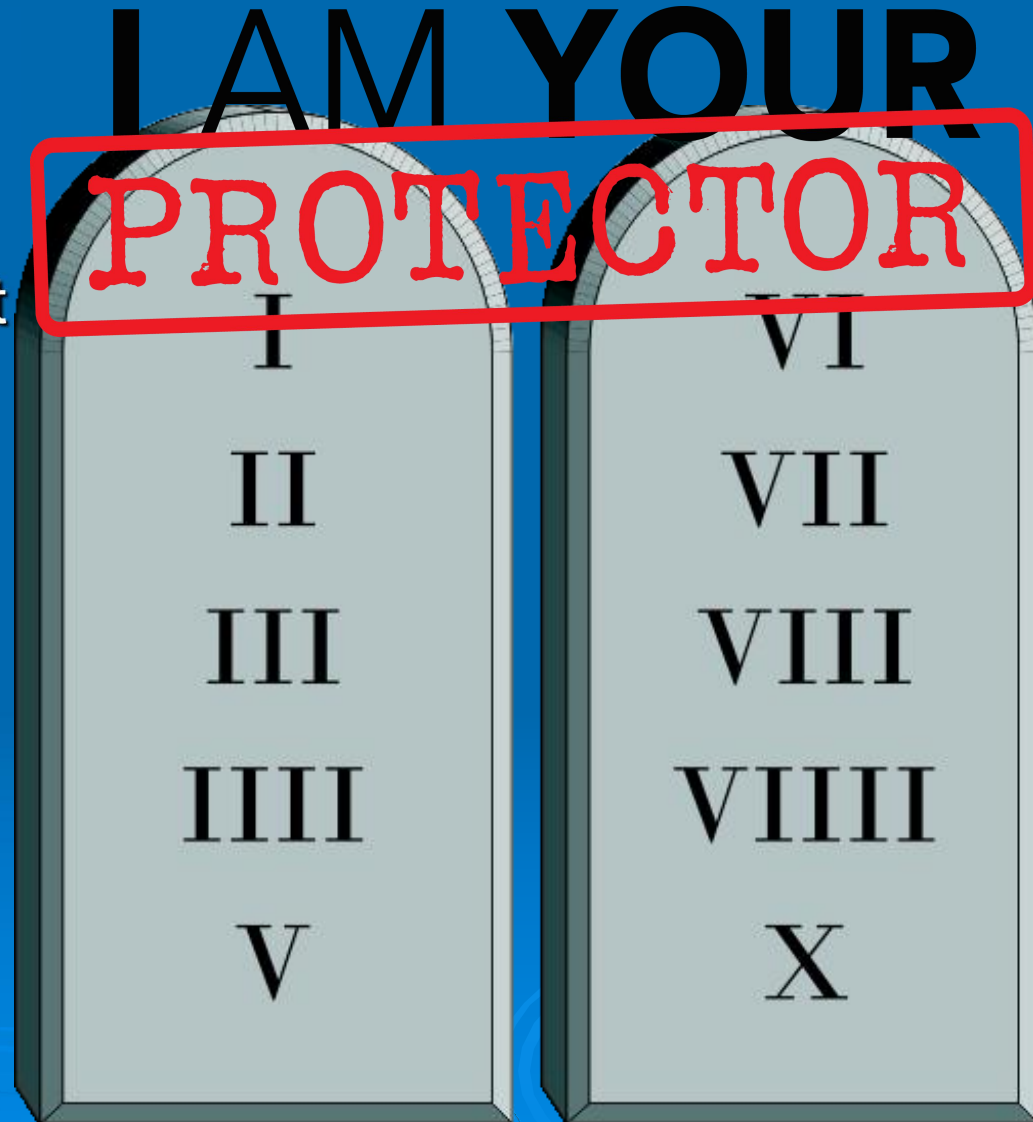


the Living Torah

- Romans 3:28 – 4:3
- Should one try to use The Law as their means to justification, it will incur God's wrath because that's not what it's for!
- Yeshua is the **ONLY** means to justification
- The Law shows us what pleases God, what sin and holiness is, and how to calibrate our moral compasses

THE LAW IS OUR PROTECTOR

- Living within the principles of the truth and light of The Law protects us
- Believers: acknowledge that Law and grace are complementary
- The NT rests upon the OT
- Jews do NOT attempt to “work their way to Heaven”!
- Jews have little interest in what happens after death
- Christians main interest seems to be what happens after death





THE MAN OF LAWLESSNESS

- 2 Thessalonians 2:1 – 4
- The Anti-Christ is a man of *anomia*, without Law
- Clearly he is not merely a super scoff-law, but rather thumbs his nose at God's Laws.... The Law of Moses
- We won't recognize the Anti-Christ if we don't know The Law and The Torah
- This is not a warning to pagans..... but to Believers!