

Let us hear the conclusion of the entire matter: Fear Elohim and guard His commands, for this applies to all mankind! (Ecc. 12:13 ISR98)

Solomon, the wisest person to ever live according to Scripture, is the person whom said this. In conclusion of everything he learned and knew, doing the Torah of God and fearing Elohim were the top two things. Not an afterthought. Not only that, he stated it applies to everyone, not just to the Jews. Does this mean it applies to Christians, Catholics, Messianic Jews, Hebrew Christians as well as Hindus, Islam and atheists? It does if we are to believe Scripture.

Is YHVH God over all creation, or just the Jews? Elohim has only give one set of instructions. He did not give one for the Jews, one for Christians, one for Islam and yet another to Catholics. There is only One Torah. Nowhere in Scripture does Elohim say Torah is for the Jews only. Matter of fact, Scripture says the Jews are to teach the Torah to everyone. Not just to the Jew. **I, YHVH, have called you in righteousness, and I strengthen Your right hand and guard You, and give You for a covenant to a people, for a light to the nations.** (Is. 42:6 ISR98 - Is. 49:6 as well)

Here, again we see the word “nations”. The Hebrew word is ‘goyim’. The King James Version translates it as Gentiles. Yeshua is to be a light to the gentiles, for they are lost, pagan and without God. Like a moth to a light, so too are God’s chosen people drawn out of their pagan and lost ways. However, once a person has found the light, they are to learn Torah. And where are they able to learn Torah? The synagogues. **For from ancient generations Moses has had in every city those who proclaim him, for he is read every Sabbath in the synagogues.** (Acts 15:21 ESV) Once a child of Elohim believed, they were to go to the Jewish synagogues and learn about Elohim’s Torah and how to follow it. Even Yeshua stated this: **The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat, so do and observe whatever they tell you...**(Mt. 23:2-3a ESV Emphasis added) Pharisees were Jews, so Jews were to teach.

If we know we are to follow His Torah, then we should do just that. Not keep the false pretense that you are still a gentile – which will help you not follow Torah. For if you choose not to follow Torah, than Is King Messiah truly your King? Or are you just giving Him lip service? **This people honor me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.** (Mt. 15:8 ESV) To have a heart far from God is to choose not to follow His Torah. **And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.** (Ez. 36:26-27 ESV emphasis added)

The battle ground is this...stop making excuses for not following Torah. We are all subject to this. For it is the duty of all mankind.

Shavua Tov!