

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

HOW MUCH WILL GOD TOLERATE?

RLJ-956

JOHN S. TORELL

DECEMBER 19, 2004

THE CHARACTER OF GOD

- The Bible tells us that God is a holy God. **Isaiah 6:1-4**
- Moses had to surrender to the holiness of God. **Exodus 3:1-6**
- The Apostle Peter is telling believers in Christ to be holy. **I Peter 1:13-25**

OBEYING GOD'S COMMANDMENTS

Should we take this seriously? Exactly how precise is God, does He care that His commandments are obeyed? Let's take a brief walk through the Bible and let the Bible speak for itself.

- God spoke to Adam and told him not to eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. **Genesis 2:15-17**
- When Adam and Eve ate of the tree, how did God react? **Genesis 3:16-24**
- God had clearly laid out how he wanted the service at his altar but Nadab and Abihu tried their own program and God was not amused! **Leviticus 10:1-11**
- God spoke to Moses and told him exactly how to get water from the rock but Moses in his anger did it his own way. The penalty for his disobedience was that he did not have the joy of leading his people into the Promised Land. **Numbers 20:1-13; Deuteronomy 34:1-5**
- King Saul was told what to do but the orders did not line up with his program; he lost his kingdom and life because of his disobedience. **I Samuel 15:19-29, 31:1-13**

GOD IS LOOKING FOR OBEDIENCE

- God has given his people the Ten Commandments. Most Christians could not care less about God's law since they have their own program and believe it is not a big deal to God if they it. They simply have not understood God's holiness. **Exodus 20:1-17**
- Jesus said: These people honor me with their lips... **Mark 7:6-13**
- Jesus said: God must be worshiped in spirit and in truth... **John 4:23-24**
- Most Christians could not care less about God and His program, they have their own program. It is important to note that **God does not look to man's program but will execute His program regardless of how many people are bucking against Him! Isaiah 55:6-11**
- When God's people reject Him, He will in turn reject them! **Ezekiel 44:10-16**
- Are you following after God's program or one of your own making?

Do you have an ear to hear with?

