

# **This Commandment Is Not Too Mysterious For You**

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## Introduction:

- A. James 1:25 - Why is God's word called the "perfect law of liberty"?
  - 1. It is perfect in the sense of being complete
  - 2. It makes adherents spiritually perfect or complete
  - 3. It is perfectly designed for human understanding and needs
  - 4. All of the above
- B. God's word is designed to be understood by human beings
  - 1. Eph. 3:2-4; Matt. 11:25
- C. God's word is designed to be practiced by human beings
  - 1. 1John 5:3; Matt. 11:29-30
- D. It has been that way from the beginning in all dispensations
  - 1. Even though the commands of God changed with each dispensation, these same characteristics of God's will for man have remained unchanged from the beginning

## **I. GOD'S WORD IS NOT TOO DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND**

- A. Deut. 30:9-20
- B. God's word has always:
  - 1. Been accessible by human beings who want it - Acts 8:26-28
  - 2. Resulted in reward for human beings who obey it - Rom. 2:7-9
  - 3. Given the choice to obey or rebel to human beings - Mark 16:16

## **II. GOD'S WORD IS NOT TOO DIFFICULT TO OBEY**

- A. Deut. 12:10-23, 29-32
- B. God's word has always:
  - 1. Made clear what God specifically requires of human beings
    - a. 2Peter 3:1-2
  - 2. Made allowances for the limitations of human existence - 2Cor. 8:12
    - b. Use "reasonable" judgment in deciding difficult matters.
  - 3. Made clear the distinction between specific commands and Divinely granted liberty in matters of individual conscience, and has warned against crossing the line between them - Acts 15:28-29

## **III. GOD'S WORD IS NOT THE SOURCE OF PROBLEMS BETWEEN HIS CHILDREN**

- A. Ez. 34:15-22
- B. God's word has always:
  - 1. Identified God as the final Judge in all matters, especially spiritual
    - a. Luke 13:12-17
  - 2. Commanded His children to live together harmoniously - Rom. 14:1-4

## Conclusion:

- A. God's word today comes through Jesus - Heb. 1:1-2
- B. He has revealed the will of God in such a way that is not too mysterious for you to understand or too difficult for you to obey - John 15:22