

I. INTRODUCTION

A. THE USEFULNESS OF THE SCRIPTURES (Rom.15:4(Eph.6:1-3); 2Tm.3:16)

B. THE USEFULNESS OF RULING ELDERS (1Cor.6:1f; see Dt.1:16f; Acts 14:23; Tt.1:5)

II. THE FIFTH COMMANDMENT IN THE BIBLE (see Lk.24:44)

A. THE LAW (Ex.20:12 = Dt.5:16; see Gen.28:7)

1. creation ordinance: Creator & procreators (Mt.19:8; see Gen.2:7&24; Mal.1:6; see Mt.5:21f; Rom.13:9,1f; yet Mt.19:18,19)
2. creational (moral) law: great blessing (Ex.20:12(Dt.5:16); Lev.19:3(18); Eph.6:1-3)
3. creational (moral) law: severe cursing (Ex.21:15,17; Lev.20:9; Dt.21:18; 27:16; Mt.15:4)

B. THE PROPHETS (Jer.16:7; 35:14f; Ezk.22:7; Mic.7:6(Mt.10:35); Mal.1:6; see Rom.1:30; 2Tm.3:2)

C. THE PSALMS (Ps.71:9,18(27:10); 148:12; Prv.1:8,etc.!: see Prv.10:1; 15:20; 19:26; 20:20; 30:11,17)

D. THE GOSPELS

1. the Law of God (Mt.19:18,19; Mk.10:19; Lk.18:20)
2. the Lord our Righteousness (Jn.8:49; see Lk.2:48,51; Jn.19:26,27)
3. test case: Corban (Mt.15:1-9; see 19:19; Prv.28:24)
4. limits (Mt.10:37; Lk.9:59f; 18:29; see Gen.2:24; Lev.21:11; Num.6:7; Dt.33:9)

E. THE LETTERS (see Phil.2:22; Heb.12:9; Rev.1:6)

1. command to honor: a substantial thing (2Cor.12:14; Prov.13:22 and 1Tm.5:4,8; Mt.15:4f)
2. blessing *versus* curse: a matter of faith (Eph.6:1-3; Col.3:20 *versus* Rom.1:30; 1Tm.1:9; 2Tm.3:2; see Gen.3:1; Mk.10:28f; Job 1:22; 2:9,10; 42:10)

III. CONCLUSION

A. GROW IN YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND USE OF THE SCRIPTURES! (1Pt.2:2; Heb.5:12f; see Rom.15:4(Eph.6:1-3); 2Tm.3:16)

B. GO TO YOUR ELDERS FOR HELP APPLYING THE SCRIPTURES TO YOUR DAILY LIFE! (1Cor.6:1f; see Dt.1:16f; Acts 14:23; Tt.1:5; see Rom.15:14,4)

C. TAKE THE 5TH! (Ex.20:12 = Dt.5:16; Eph.6:1-3)

D. TAKE THE GOLD! (Mt.7:12; see 1Tm.5:4,8)

E. COSTLY INVESTMENT *versus* DEADLY SAVINGS! (Ex.20:12; Eph.6:1-3 *versus* Dt.27:16; Prv.20:20; 30:11,17; Mt.15:4; see Jms.5:1-6)

Brethren, what shall WE DO? (see Acts 2:37f)