

## BELIEVING THE SAME (RIGHTLY HANDLING GOD'S WORD)

TEXT: **1 CORINTHIANS 1:10** Expected to Believe the Same (if not, it is our fault)  
**2 TIMOTHY 2:15**

### I. INTRODUCTION:

A. THERE IS A RIGHT WAY AND WRONG WAY TO HANDLE GOD'S WORD

B. UNDERSTANDING THE CONTEXT IS CRITICAL (understanding the situation & what the intention is)

1. This is important for any subject

2. Need to have a basic understanding of the Bible as a whole (in any subject need to have overall basic understanding so that one can properly understand)

### II. UNDERSTANDING CORRECTLY

1. DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE O.T. & N.T.

A. Purpose of O.T. - Law of Moses

B. ALL Under N.T. Law (LAW OF CHRIST)

2. OLD TESTAMENT

A. No One Is Under it Today

1. Given To Jews only - **DEUTONOMY 4:44-45; 5:1-3**

2. Includes The 10 Commandments - **DEUTONOMY 4:13-14**

3. Jews Agreed to Follow - **EXODUS 19:5-8**

4. GOD Said it would Change - **JEREMIAH 31:31-34**

5. GOD Said it did Change - **HEBREWS 8:6-13**

3. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE O.T.?

A. It is Quoted many times in the N.T.

1. Understand the N.T. Better

a. Fulfillment of Prophecy

B. For Our Instruction

1. **ROMANS 15:4**

4. If GOD Doesn't Carry it over to the New Testament it does not apply

### III. N.T. PRINCIPLES OF HANDLING GOD'S WORD

1. Bible Tells Us What We Need To Know - **2 TIM 3:16-17; 2 PETER 1:3**

A. We Need to Think About What GOD SAYS

2. RESPECT & MAGNIFY GOD'S WORD

A. Don't Add or Subtract (Don't Change the Meaning - **REV 22:18-19**)

B. Things We Do or Say Are to be By His Authority - **COLOSSIANS 3:17**

1. We are to put Confidence in what GOD Tells Us NOT what He Doesn't

A. **ROMANS 10:17; 14:23**

2. Speak as the Oracles of GOD - **1 PETER 4:11**

3. Speaks of respecting His Silence

3. By the Scriptures we are to "Prove What is His Acceptable & Perfect Will" - **ROMANS 12:2**

A. **HEBREWS 5:14** Discern Between Good & Evil

1. When Fascinated With something or someone we Think about it

4. CONCLUDE - RESPECT WHAT GOD SAYS

### IV. APPLICATION ON HOW CHRISTIANS ARGUED - ACTS 15:6-19

1. **ACTS 15:1 & 5** Assertion that one must be circumcised to be saved

A. Arguments Against

1. Witness of GOD

a. Miracles

b. Prophecy

2. Jews Saved Like Gentiles - **ACTS 15:9**

B. Conclusion

1. Heard It in GOD'S WORD

2. Nothing in NT Suggests Circumcision is Necessary