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### **Oracles of God**

The author of Hebrews declares that any Biblical teacher should have basic understanding of the oracles of God, and the oracles of God are equated to milk.

#### **Hebrews 5:12**

“For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you have need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God, and you have come to need milk and not solid food.”

What are the oracles of God? What is the milk? What is our foundation?

Paul, in Romans, begins to teach on the value of being a Jew and the value of the commandment of circumcision, to which he cites the foundation of the oracles of God as a primary importance and also the reasoning for His conclusion of the value of circumcision.

#### **Romans 3:1-2**

“Then what advantage has the Jew? Or what is the benefit of circumcision? Great, in every respect. First of all, that they were entrusted with the oracles of God.”

But still, what are the oracles of God that was passed on to Israel? Acts 7 provides the answer.

#### **Acts 7:38**

“This is the one who was in the congregation in the wilderness together with the angel who was speaking to him on Mount Sinai, and who was with our fathers; and he received living oracles to pass on to you.”

The oracles of God is everything that Moses wrote - the Law of God. It is what Paul cited in proving the value of circumcision and learning from those who were originally entrusted with the Law of God. It is what the author of Hebrews states is the basic milk for the believer and the basic foundational criteria

that should exist in any teacher. Thus, if a proclaimed teacher does not understand and teach the law of God as written by Moses, then perhaps we should do as the author of Hebrews suggests. At least understand and practice the milk.

Some people get stuck at the cross, when entering the faith, and then forget to learn about and practice the faith. It is cross paralysis if you will. The author of Hebrews encourages us to not get stuck there. He continues in the very next verse:

**Hebrews 6:1-3**

“<sup>1</sup> Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, <sup>2</sup> of instruction about washings and laying on of hands, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment. <sup>3</sup> And this we will do, if God permits.”

We are at least to move on to the oracles of God, the milk, the law of God, as written by Moses, and not be stuck at the elementary teachings about the Christ. We are not to be stuck in immaturity but are to move on into maturity in the oracles of God, what Moses wrote. Sadly, the reality is that a lot of people are not even yet drinking the milk, the law of God.

*Just a thought...*

**Shalom, and may Yahweh bless you in walking in the whole Word of God.**

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