

## ~OBSERVE (358)

[English, watch, view, scrutinize, monitor, study, examine, survey]

- The people proceeded to **observe** the Sabbath on the seventh day and rested.
- And the people proceeded to **observe** the Sabbath on the seventh day. (**Exodus 16:30**)
- The Sabbath started in the evening and lasted until the following evening.
- It is a Sabbath of complete rest for you, and you must afflict your souls on the ninth of the month in the evening. From evening to evening you should **observe** your Sabbath. (**Leviticus 23:32**)
- They were counseled to always **observe** this Sabbath when once they had entered the Promised Land.
- Speak to the sons of Israel, and you must say to them; When you eventually come into the land that I am giving you, then the land must **observe** a Sabbath to Yehowah. (**Leviticus 25:2**)
- Israelites were told to **observe** Yehowah God's regulations, because they themselves were once slaves down in Egypt.
- And you must remember that you became a slave in Egypt, and you must **observe** and carry out these regulations. (**Deuteronomy 16:12**)
- Israel was to **observe** all of Yehowah God's regulations with all their heart and all their soul.
- This day Yehowah your God is commanding you to carry out these regulations and judicial decisions, and you must **observe** and carry them out with all your heart and all your soul. (**Deuteronomy 26:16**)
- Yehowah would become Israel's God if they **observed** his commandments and regulations.
- Yehowah you have induced to say today that he will become your

God while you walk in his ways and **observe** his regulations and his commandments and his judicial decisions and listen to his voice. (**Deuteronomy 26:17**)

- Yehowah told Israel that they would become a special people to him if they **observed** all his commandments. Likewise he would prosper them among all other peoples.
- As for Yehowah, he has induced you to say today that you will become his people, a special property, just as he has promised you, and that you will **observe** all his commandments. (**Deuteronomy 26:18**)
- And Yehowah will indeed put you at the head and not at the tail, and you must come to be only on top, and you will not come to be on the bottom, because you keep obeying the commandments of Yehowah your God, which I am commanding you today to **observe** and to do. (**Deuteronomy 28:13**)
- The tribe of Levi received a blessing for their keeping of the covenant, which they continued to **observe** faithfully.
- The man who said to his father and his mother, I have not seen him. Even his brothers he did not acknowledge, and his sons he did not know. For they kept your saying, and your covenant they continued to **observe**. (**Deuteronomy 33:9**)
- When the priests came out to the holy place there was no need to **observe** the priestly divisions.
- And it came about when the priests came out from the holy place, for all the priests that were to be found had, for their part, sanctified themselves, there was no need to **observe** the divisions. (**2 Chronicles 5:11**)
- Job was asked if he had **observed** just when the hind brings forth her young with birth pangs.
- Have you come to know the appointed time for the mountain goats of the crag to give birth? Do you **observe** just when the hinds bring forth with birth pangs? (**Job 39:1**)
- The Psalmist showed that they must set their confidence in Yehowah God by **observing** his commandments.

- And that they might set their confidence in God himself and not forget the practices of God but **observe** his own commandments. (**Psalms 78:7**)
- Yehowah God gave to Israel the Promised Land, so that they would **observe** his own Laws and commandments.
- To the end that they might keep his regulations and **observe** his own Laws. Praise Yah, you people! (**Psalms 105:45**)
- A wise person will show himself **observant** and attentive to the many acts of loving-kindness of Yehowah God.
- Who is wise? He will both **observe** these things and show himself attentive toward Yehowah's acts of loving-kindness. (**Psalms 107:43**)
- The Psalmist asked Yehowah God to instruct him in his ways and regulations, that he might **observe** them down to the end of his life.
- Instruct me, O Yehowah, in the way of your regulations, that I may **observe** it down to the last. (**Psalms 119:33**)
- The Psalmist asked Yehowah God to make him **observe** his Law, that he might keep it with his whole heart.
- Make me understand, that I may **observe** your Law and that I may keep it with the whole heart. (**Psalms 119:34**)
- Though the presumptuous ones smeared the Psalmist with lies, he was nonetheless determined to **observe** Yehowah God's orders with all his heart.
- The presumptuous have smeared me with falsehood. As for me, with all my heart I shall **observe** your orders. (**Psalms 119:69**)
- The Psalmist told evildoers to keep clear of him, so that he could **observe** the commandments of his God Yehowah.
- Get away from me, you evildoers, that I may **observe** the commandments of my God. (**Psalms 119:115**)
- I have called with my whole heart. Answer me, O Yehowah.

Your regulations I will **observe**. (**Psalms 119:145**)

- The congregator asked for his son to **observe** his commandments in his heart.
- My son, my Law do not forget, and my commandments may your heart **observe**. (**Proverbs 3:1**)
- The congregator told his son to **observe** the commandments of his father and mother.
- **Observe**, O my son, the commandment of your father, and do not forsake the Law of your mother. (**Proverbs 6:20**)
- Here Yehowah compares the instinctive behaviors of animals, to mankind's inherent sense of judgment. Men are born with an innate sense of justice and righteousness, like their creator, in whose image they were made.
- Even the stork in the heavens, it well knows its appointed times, and the turtledove and the swift and the bulbul, they **observe** well the time of each ones coming in. But as for my people, they have not come to know the judgment of Yehowah. (**Jeremiah 8:7**)
- The temple of Yehowah is the place where he resides among the sons of men. It must meet his complete specifications and its living stones must know the pattern of all of its specifications and Laws so as to handle the holy things properly and to maintain cleanness.
- And if they actually feel humiliated because of all that they have done, the ground plan of the House, and its arrangement and its exits and its entryways, and all its ground plans and all its specifications, and all its ground plans and all its laws do you make known to them and write before their eyes, in order, that they may **observe** all its ground plan and all its specifications and may actually carry them out. (**Ezekiel 43:11**)
- Jesus then shows us an example of how God's system of things works, it is to be like the situation with the birds of the heavens. They have no place to store up food, like barns or pantries, still they never go without food. Jesus then pointedly asks; Are humans not worth far more than birds to God? What do you think?

- **Observe** intently the birds of heaven, because they do not sow seed or reap or gather into storehouses, still your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth more than they are? (**Matthew 6:26**)
  
- Jesus first answered, that there was only one who is truly good, and that this one is his heavenly father, Yehowah God. Then in answer to his question, Jesus showed, that he must **observe** the commandments continually, so as to get everlasting life.
  
- He said to him; Why do you ask me about what is good? One there is that is good. If, though, you want to enter into life, **observe** the commandments continually. (**Matthew 19:17**)
  
- So he told them to follow all the things that they taught, for they had the Law Covenant and they taught it properly for the most part. However when it came to living up to it, they were not fine examples of godly living, for they told others how to live, but they themselves did not perform according to their own teachings. They were hypocrites!
  
- Therefore all the things they tell you, do and **observe**, but do not do according to their deeds, for they say but do not perform. (**Matthew 23:3**)
  
- They were then commanded to teach these new disciples to **observe** all the things that he had commanded them to practice. Then he promised to be with them in spirit all the days until the conclusion of the system of things, which would mark the start of God's Kingdom of a thousand years.
  
- Teaching them to **observe** all the things I have commanded you. And, look! I am with you all the days until the conclusion of the system of things. (**Matthew 28:20**)
  
- Evidently the man's sight was then still not perfect, for he said he **observed** what looked to be trees, but they were walking about.
  
- And the man looked up and began saying; I see men, because I **observe** what seem to be trees, but they are walking about. (**Mark 8:24**)
  
- Jesus then counseled them not to be faultfinders of others. He illustrated his point by saying; Why do we look for the straw, a small piece of foreign material in our brother's eye, and not **observe** the

rafter that is in our own eye. Really, when we have even a tiny thing lodged within our own eye, it seems like a rafter to us, for it is very close to the eye, and we must look through it to see anything else. Thus he relates this to our own faults and flaws, which would at any rate, keep us from seeing clearly.

- Why, then, do you look at the straw that is in your brothers eye, but do not **observe** the rafter that is in your own eye? ([Luke 6:41](#))
- So the Pharisees began to say, that Jesus was not a man of God for he did these things on a Sabbath. Yet others, being more reasonable men, wondered how any sinner could do such a powerful work. So then there was a division among them.
- Therefore some of the Pharisees began to say; This is not a man from God, because he does not **observe** the Sabbath. Others began to say; How can a man that is a sinner perform signs of that sort? So there was a division among them. ([John 9:16](#))
- So the Pharisees also saw what was happening, and they said among themselves, that they could **observe** that they were getting absolutely nowhere, actually losing ground, for the entire world had gone after Jesus, and what would be left for them.
- Therefore the Pharisees said among themselves; You **observe** you are getting absolutely nowhere. See! The world has gone after him. ([John 12:19](#))
- Then Jesus told his disciples that they could show that they loved him by **observing** his commandments, putting into practice his teachings, and following after his fine example of self-sacrificing service to others.
- If you love me, you will **observe** my commandments. ([John 14:15](#))
- So Jesus answered, by stating, that if anyone loves Jesus, that he would **observe** his counsel and instructions to his disciples and that then God and Christ would come to them in spirit, and make their abode with them.
- In answer Jesus said to him; If anyone loves me, he will **observe** my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him

and make our abode with him. (John 14:23)

- Jesus then showed, that persons who did not **observe** his words, really did not love him. Also he was not the one saying this, but the Father who sent him, was who said this.
- He that does not love me does not **observe** my words, and the word that you are hearing is not mine, but belongs to the Father who sent me. (John 14:24)
- Then Jesus told them, that if they remained in his commandments, that they would also remain in his love. This was so, because he had always **observed** the commandments of his Father, and so Christ remained in his Father's love always.
- If you **observe** my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have observed the commandments of the Father and remain in his love. (John 15:10)
- So Jesus reminded them, of a word he had earlier spoken to them, that no slave is greater than his master. They should expect persecution of themselves, for the Jews had persecuted their master, and they would certainly persecute them also. Jesus then told them, that if people **observed** his word, then they would observe theirs also.
- Bear in mind the word I said to you; A slave is not greater than his master. If they have persecuted me, they will persecute you also, if they have **observed** my word, they will observe yours also. (John 15:20)
- Yet some of those who had been Pharisees before becoming anointed Christians, rose up, and said, that it was necessary for them to be circumcised, and also to **observe** all the Laws of the Law Covenant of Moses.
- Yet, some of those of the sect of the Pharisees that had believed rose up from their seats and said; It is necessary to circumcise them and charge them to **observe** the Law of Moses. (Acts of Apostles 15:5)
- Their lives should be one continuous exercise of being joined together in their love of the Holy Spirit, in the uniting bond of peace, for true Christians are at peace with God and this peace, which comes through his spirit is overwhelming, like a placid lake perfectly

reflecting distant mountains in its still waters, it is so very desirable. If all the members of the congregation have it, then they will think and act, as one person in Christ.

- Earnestly endeavoring to **observe** the oneness of the spirit in the uniting bond of peace. (**Ephesians 4:3**)
- Paul now encourages Timothy, to **observe** the commandments in a spotless and irreprehensible way, right up until the manifestation of Christ, during his presence.
- That you **observe** the commandment in a spotless and irreprehensible way until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ. (**1 Timothy 6:14**)
- It is within the man who copies the example of Jesus Christ closely, that the love of Yehowah God is made perfect or complete. Also by this copying of Jesus Christ's example closely we know that we are remaining in union with him.
- Therefore everlasting life begins with knowledge of the true course of Jesus Christ, and then making application or **observing** of what we have learned about this fine course, by participating in the same activities of the preaching of the Good News of God's Kingdom and doing fine works toward others, as did Jesus Christ.
- But whoever does **observe** his word, truthfully in this person the love of God has been made perfect. By this we have the knowledge that we are in union with him. (**1 John 2:5**)
- What does it mean to love Yehowah God. It means **observe** his commandments, plain and simple. Yet the commandments he has given to mankind are not burdensome, they simply promote love among one another and toward God, and anyone can easily keep them, if he wants to.
- For this is what the love of God means, that we **observe** his commandments, and yet his commandments are not burdensome. (**1 John 5:3**)
- John will be overjoyed to know of all of these marvelous symbolisms, and will see how their **unveiling** proves, that the appointed time is near. He will also start to **observe** fulfillments of them, as we are now within the time of their fulfillment.

- **Happy is he who reads aloud and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and who **observe** the things written in it, for the appointed time is near. (Revelation 1:3)**
- **The dragon, Satan the Devil, is wrathful at God's woman, and is determined to wage warfare against her seed, who **observe** the commandments of God and have the work of bearing witness to Jesus.**
- **And the dragon grew wrathful at the woman, and went off to wage war with the remaining ones of her seed, who **observe** the commandments of God and have the work of bearing witness to Jesus. (Revelation 12:17)**
- **This exposure of Jehovah's Witnesses and destruction of them along with all the rest of Babylon the Great, will be a real test of faithful endurance for the 49,000 remaining anointed ones who come from their numbers. They must remain completely loyal to Yehowah God and to his divine principles. So many of their friends and loved ones are among Jehovah's Witnesses, yet they have not lived up to Yehowah's standards. This truly will be a difficult thing to endure.**
- **Here is where it means endurance for the holy ones, those who **observe** the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. (Revelation 14:12)**