

Intro:

Main Point of Text: God commands carefully following His prescriptions to preserve His purebred, covenant people.

Sermon Point: *Don't Get All Mixed Up.*

Move 1: God knows what is best to preserve your life for His service.

“commandments”: lit, prescriptions. He is commanding what is His right as Creator and Redeemer, but He is also prescribing what will preserve His particular people (purebreds). Vs. 37. Ps. 19:7-11; 111:10; 1 John 5:3) READ Lev. 26:3-12.

Move 2: Don't get mixed up in what you practice as God's people.

Cattle/seeds/clothes: Keep opposite things separate. Don't get them mixed up. Reflects natural creation order of Genesis 1: “according to their kinds”. Logical. WCF 19:4. Illustrations of principle of Holiness Code: separation of world for preservation of holy people. Deut. 22:9: *Thou shalt not sow thy vineyard with divers seeds: lest the fruit of thy seed which thou hast sown, and the fruit of thy vineyard, be defiled.* 1 Cor. 15:33; 1 Cor. 5:6-8.

Move 3: Don't get mixed up with what you believe as God's people.

Don't muddle your mind. Col. 2:8: *Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.* J. Gill, don't want to mix up what should be kept separate like faith and works. Further, only priests had garments of mixed linen and wool: don't mix up the priesthood of all believers with official ordination. Especially, don't get confused by Catholicism and turn to any priest but Jesus Christ. Don't confuse your good works with Christ's (Isa. 64:6). “Keep”: guard. Guard against syncretism, weaving in of world religions and notions about life. 1 Tim. 2:3. Gal. 5:1-9. Protect your mind so you protect your identity with Jesus. Pray Ps. 71:1, *In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion.*

Conclusion:

Don't Get All Mixed Up.