



SERMON NOTES

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Scripture: Luke 20:27-40 (NAS)

Topic: "Is Doctrine Important?"

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27 Now there came to Him some of the Sadducees (who say that there is no resurrection),
28 and they questioned Him, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that IF A MAN'S BROTHER DIES, having a wife, AND HE IS CHILDLESS, HIS BROTHER SHOULD MARRY THE WIFE AND RAISE UP CHILDREN TO HIS BROTHER.
29 "Now there were seven brothers; and the first took a wife and died childless;
30 and the second
31 and the third married her; and in the same way all seven died, leaving no children.
32 "Finally the woman died also.
33 "In the resurrection therefore, which one's wife will she be? For all seven had married her."
34 Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage;
35 for they cannot even die anymore, because they are like angels, and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection.
36 "But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the burning bush, where he calls the Lord THE GOD OF ABRAHAM, AND THE GOD OF ISAAC, AND THE GOD OF JACOB.
37 "Now He is not the God of the dead but of the living; for all live to Him."
38 Some of the scribes answered and said, "Teacher, You have spoken well."
39 For they did not have courage to question Him any longer about anything.

I. MANY FROWN UPON DOCTRINE

- A. It Is Seen As Divisive
- B. People Who Hold To IT Seem Harsh
- C. Tolerance Is The Way Of Our Day

II. JESUS' RESPONSE TO THE SADDUCEES

- A. Sadducees Did Not Believe In The Resurrection, Angels Or Spirits
Acts 23:8
- B. He Addressed Their Problem Head ON
- C. He Took A Stand For Doctrinal Truth

III. WE MUST DISTINGUISH BETWEEN DOCTRINAL TRUTH AND ERROR

- A. Leaders In The Church Are To Teach Doctrinal Truth
- B. They Are To Correct Error *Titus 1:9; II Timothy 2:24-26*
- C. We Must Know Core Doctrines Of The Faith

IV. RESURRECTION A CORE DOCTRINE

- A. Jesus' Death And Resurrection A Proof
- B. Paul—Our Faith Is Useless Without It *I Corinthians 15:19-20*
- C. Denial Steals Our Hope *I Corinthians 15:16-17*

V. THE SADDUCEES MADE FALSE ASSUMPTIONS ABOUT THE RESURRECTION

- A. They Assumed All Things Would Be The Same
- B. They Assumed Marriage Would Continue

VI. MARRIAGE DOES TEACH US SOMETHING ABOUT HEAVEN

- A. Closest Human Relationship
- B. Mirrors Our Relationship To Christ *Ephesians 5:28-32*

VII. DOCTRINE AFFECTS THE WAY WE LIVE