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God's judgment Pt 2 – God's judgments are knowable yet unsearchable

This is our second study on God's judgment. In our previous teaching we established that the judgment of God is according to righteousness, truth and according to Paul's gospel. In this study we establish that the law that God gave to Moses are His judgments, and they are knowable, yet also unsearchable, because all of God's ways are judgment.

Scriptures upon which this teaching is founded.

1. The laws that were given to Moses are God's judgments.

"These are the statutes and judgments and laws, which the Lord made between him and the children of Israel in mount Sinai by the hand of Moses" (Lev.26: 46).

The laws given to Moses are judgments because they pronounce consequences for His children. For obedience God justly judges blessing, and for disobedience His justice is cursing and He has no respect of persons (2Chr.19: 7). And it is not just the Old Testament where God provides His judgments, although they are only identified as judgments in the Old Testament, where in the New Testament there are judgments (consequences for the lost man, and for the disobedient child – Col.3: 25) but they are not specifically called judgments.

2. God's judgments are unsearchable.

"O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!" (Rom.11: 33).

God "doeth great things and unsearchable" (Job 5: 9); "his greatness is unsearchable" (Ps.145: 3); and there are the "unsearchable riches of Christ" (Eph.3: 8), then we have our point that "God's judgments are unsearchable" – we cannot know them all. But if we have His laws, if we have His word which are His judgments, then how can they be unsearchable? This will be answered below.

3. All of God's ways are judgment.

"He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he" (Deut.32: 4).

The "Lord is a God of judgment" (Is.30: 18), and "all His ways are judgment", hence God's judgment is more than Him simply implementing justice according to His word – because "all his ways are judgment". Our verse continues with an explanation of what that means – "a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he". Hence, additional to His word (which we can know) God is working (doing things) in the world, every day, and every moment of every day, and those ways are carried out in judgment (which we are unsearchable) – without iniquity, justly and rightly.

Additional comments on our points.

When God made the world He did so in judgment – in truth, without flaw, just and right.

Applying the teaching to our life today.

When God kept His promise to preserve His words (Ps.12: 6 & 7) and He did so in the English text of the 1611 Authorised Bible – His work was carried out in judgment.

Question to think about.

If all God's ways are judgment, and the English text of the 1611 Authorised Bible was a special work of God, then what righteous judgment will be upon those who reject this special work?

My answer to our question from the scriptures.

"He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day" (Jn.12: 48).