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DOCTRINE AND DOCTRINES

- Common Thinking** Most people correctly understand that *doctrine is something that is taught; a principle or position or the body of principles in a branch of knowledge or system of belief*. Most of us know it may be *political* (eg: the Monroe Doctrine); *economic* (eg: the Keynesian Doctrine), or *religious* (eg: Catholic doctrine). In (Mt 7:28) as Jesus concluded the Sermon on the Mount “the _____ were _____ at his _____.”
- From God Or Man?** That’s the question. In (Mt 21:23ff) the Jewish scribes and elders asked Jesus by what authority he operated. He replied with a question, “The _____ of John, whence was it? From _____, or of _____?” Paul (Col 2:22) speaks of things that “perish with the _____” and stipulates “the commandments and _____ of _____.” Man has his man-made doctrines. The phrase “*doctrine of Christ*” is found 3X KJV NT in 2V. Since doctrine means teaching, Paul and John refer to the *teachings* of Christ.
- The Doctrines Of Man** Any belief system not of God is necessarily from man. (Mk 7:7) “Howbeit in _____ do they _____ me, teaching for _____ the commandments of _____.” How is this done? “For _____ the commandment of God...” Doing what? _____ To do what? “Hold the _____ of men.” The expression “*right in his own eyes*” is found 5X KJV. List the scripture and indicate the subject in each instance: _____
_____ “There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.” Scriptures? _____ Are these identical KJV verses? _____
- The Doctrine Of The Lord** Man has many doctrines (plural) but since (Mk 12:32) “there is _____ God; and there is _____ but he” we must (Titus 2:10) “_____ the doctrine of _____ our Saviour in _____ things.” God’s doctrine is always singular tense because (Eph 4:6) there is but “_____ God and Father of _____.” One either (2 Jn 9) “*abideth in the doctrine of Christ*” or (Rom 8:9) he has “*not the _____ of Christ; he is _____ of his.*”
- What Some Think** One fellow said that he was tired of doctrine and just wanted to love his God. Apparently he never heard of Paul’s instruction to Timothy: (1 Tim 4:13) “Till I come, give _____ to _____, to exhortation, to _____.” What word did you write in the last blank? _____ What if Timothy had told Paul, “I’m tired of doctrine, Paul, I just want to love my God”? Friend, don’t confuse (Acts 13:12) “the _____ of the _____” with the dogmas of man. (1 Pet 4:11) “If any man _____, let him speak as the _____ of God.”
- Doctrine ~ Teach** The word *doctrine* is more a common translation in the KJV as opposed to *teach* or *teaching* in other ENG versions. The high priest (Acts 5:28) told Peter and the apostles: “Ye have _____ Jerusalem with your _____.” Gamaliel advised (V38-39), “If this counsel or this work be of _____, it will come to _____: But if it be of God, ye cannot _____ it; lest haply ye be found even to _____ against _____.”