

WILL WORSHIP

COLOSSIANS 2:20

20 Wherefore if ye be dead with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances,

COLOSSIANS 2:21

21 (Touch not; taste not; handle not;

COLOSSIANS 2:22

22 Which all are to perish with the using;) after the commandments and doctrines of men?

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WILL: ethelothreskeia {eth-el-oth-race-ki'-ah}
worship which one prescribes and devises for himself, contrary to the contents and nature of faith which ought to be directed to Christ; said of the misdirected zeal and practices of ascetics

The term ethelo, "to will. " It conveys the impression of "to seize with the mind," to have resolve or determination regarding a purpose, with perhaps an impulsive inclination—as opposed to a well-calculated deliberation.

In classical Greek ethelo was used as a prefix in various compounds which suggested the idea of voluntary action, as in a voluntary agent, or running voluntarily into danger. The meaning is "self-chosen worship. "

In arbitrary superstition, or human invention, or selfwilled religion, rather than Divine institutions.

Will-worship, signifies simply a mode of worship which a man chooses for himself, independently of the revelation which God has given. The whole system of Deism is a worship founded in the will or thoughts of man, and not in the wisdom or will of God.

GENESIS 4:3

3 And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.

GENESIS 4:4

4 And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:

GENESIS 4:5

5 But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

GENESIS 4:6

6 And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?

GENESIS 4:7

7 If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

LEVITICUS 10:1

1 And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not.

JOHN 4:23

23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

JOHN 4:24

24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

REVELATION 5:8

8 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

LEVITICUS 10:2

2 And there went out fire from the LORD, and devoured them, and they died before the LORD.

It is a form of religion "which fails to maintain the true object of worship and in place of Christ selects its own objects. " He calls it an "uncontrolled worship. " It is a worship of "free choice" rather than that of divine choice.

SAUL

I SAMUEL 13:7

7 And some of the Hebrews went over Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead. As for Saul, he was yet in Gilgal, and all the people followed him trembling.

I SAMUEL 13:8

8 And he tarried seven days, according to the set time that Samuel had appointed: but Samuel came not to Gilgal; and the people were scattered from him.

I SAMUEL 13:9

9 And Saul said, Bring hither a burnt offering to me, and peace offerings. And he offered the burnt offering.

I SAMUEL 13:10

10 And it came to pass, that as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him, that he might salute him.

I SAMUEL 13:11

11 And Samuel said, What hast thou done? And Saul said, Because I saw that the people were scattered from me, and that thou camest not within the days appointed, and that the Philistines gathered themselves together at Michmash;

I SAMUEL 13:12

12 Therefore said I, The Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not made supplication unto the LORD: I forced myself therefore, and offered a burnt offering.

I SAMUEL 13:13

13 And Samuel said to Saul, Thou hast done foolishly: thou hast not kept the commandment of the LORD thy God, which he commanded thee: for now would the LORD have established thy kingdom upon Israel for ever.

I SAMUEL 13:14

14 But now thy kingdom shall not continue: the LORD hath sought him a man after his own heart, and the LORD hath commanded him to be captain over his people, because thou hast not kept that which the LORD commanded thee.

I KINGS 12:26

26 And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David:

I KINGS 11:38

38 And it shall be, if thou wilt hearken unto all that I command thee, and wilt walk in my ways, and do that is right in my sight, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as David my

servant did; that I will be with thee, and build thee a sure house, as I built for David, and will give Israel unto thee.

I KINGS 12:27

27 If this people go up to do sacrifice in the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people turn again unto their lord, even unto Rehoboam king of Judah, and they shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah.

I KINGS 12:28

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EXODUS 32:3

3 And all the people brake off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aaron.

EXODUS 32:4

4 And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had made it a molten calf: and they said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

I KINGS 12:29

29 And he set the one in Bethel, and the other put he in Dan.

GENESIS 28:16

16 And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the LORD is in this place; and I knew it not.

GENESIS 28:17

17 And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! this is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

GENESIS 28:18

18 And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put for his pillows, and set it up for a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it.

GENESIS 28:19

19 And he called the name of that place Bethel: but the name of that city was called Luz at the first.

GENESIS 28:20

20 And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on,

GENESIS 28:21

21 So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the LORD be my God:

GENESIS 28:22

22 And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.

I KINGS 12:29

29 And he set the one in Bethel, and the other put he in Dan.

I KINGS 12:30

30 And this thing became a sin: for the people went to worship before the one, even unto Dan.

I KINGS 12:31

31 And he made an house of high places, and made priests of the lowest of the people, which were not of the sons of Levi.