

# God's Traffic Lights

## Introduction

1. **One of the things that most of us are familiar with in this time are traffic lights. They have saved many, many lives.**
  - A. **They are given for our good and must be obeyed. The colors, red, yellow, and green mean much to us.**
  - B. **More important than these are God's traffic lights. His lights of red, yellow, and green are given for our own good and must be obeyed.**

## God's Red Light

1. **God has instructed us through His inspired word where to stop.**
  - A **He has told us to stop in relation to having other gods, and killing, stealing, or coveting.**  
**Exodus 20:1-17**
  - B. **Whoever offends must stop.**

Romans 14:21 It is good neither to eat meat nor drink wine **nor do anything by which your brother stumbles** or is offended or is made weak.

1 Corinthians 8:12 But when you thus sin against the brethren, and **wound their weak conscience**, you sin against Christ.

Matthew 18:7 Woe to the world because of offenses! For offenses must come, but **woe to that man by whom the offense comes!**

- C. **Whoever perverts the gospel must stop.**

Galatians 1:6-8 I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, which is not another; but there are **some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ**. But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed.

- D. **Whoever goes beyond the Word must stop.**

2 John 9 **Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God**. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son.

## God's Yellow Light

### 1. God has cautioned us about many things.

#### A. Against just any way.

Proverbs 14:12 There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.

#### B. To do His will.

Matthew 7:21 Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.

#### C. To "Try the Spirits."

1 John 4:1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

#### D. To take heed lest we fall.

1 Corinthians 10:12 Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall.

Galatians 5:4 You have become estranged from Christ, you who attempt to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace.

Romans 11:22 Therefore consider the goodness and severity of God: on those who fell, severity; but toward you, goodness, if you continue in His goodness. Otherwise you also will be cut off.

#### E. To make ready for His coming.

Matthew 25:13 Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

## 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9

## God's Green Light

### 1. God's order to go is open to all.

#### A. Respond to His plan of salvation

##### 1) Hear, Believe, Repent, Confess, Be Baptized.

#### B. Go to work.

John 4:35 Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, **for they are already white for harvest!**

#### C. Go teach the gospel to others.

**Matthew 28:19-20**

Acts 8:4 Therefore those who were scattered **went everywhere preaching the word.**

#### D. Go on to perfection.

Hebrews 6:1 Therefore, leaving the discussion of the elementary principles of Christ, **let us go on to perfection**, not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead

Philippians 3:13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and **reaching forward to those things which are ahead.**

#### E. Go to be with the Lord

Philippians 1:23 For I am hard-pressed between the two, **having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better.**

## **Conclusion**

- 1. There are many other red, yellow, and green lights that have made known to us in God's Word. These are just a few.**
- 2. May we become Christians and then living as Christians be determined to know what things to stop, when to use caution, and being determined to go forward, doing the things that God has instructed us to do.**

**A. We can know God's traffic lights:**

2 Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

- 3. Obedience to God's traffic lights of His inspired Word will result in our eternal salvation with Him.**
- 4. Be determined to follow Christ, while forsaking all others.**

