**What About The Little Things?**

Last week talked about how important it is to obey God's every instruction, even in the things we might consider little.

For example, we read about Uzzah touching the ark in ...

I Chron 13:7,9-10 “And they carried the ark of God in a new cart out of the house of Abinadab: and Uzza and Ahio drave the cart. … And when they came unto the threshingfloor of Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen stumbled. And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him, because he put his hand to the ark: and there he died before God.”

Most likely Uzza had good intentions; he was trying to help God by steadying the ark to keep it from falling and breaking. But that doesn’t change the fact that he did something God said not to do. We might think it was a little thing, but remember if God says something, that makes it big.

Many believers think we are only responsible to do the "weightier matters" of the law. It is true there are some matters that are weightier, but the Bible makes it clear that we are to do both the weightier matters and the lighter matters.

Matt 23:23 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

We might consider the following things small …

**Calling Someone A Fool** Matt 5:21-22 Ye have heard that it was said of them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment: But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

**Cussing** Eph 4:29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

**Speeding** I Pet 2:13 Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake …

**Religious Titles** Matt 23:9 And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven.

**White Lies** Rev 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

**Watching Trashy TV** Matt 5:28 ... That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

**Conclusion** – Even what we think of as little things are important IF God has instructed us. About the Old Testament law, Jesus said in ...

Matt 5:19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

We've already seen the same principle is true about the New Testament law. If your pastor is giving you the impression that it is okay to ignore some Bible instructions because they are the “least commandments,” not important in today's world, he is a false teacher.