Does YHWH Desire Compromise?

Many churches seem to support the position that things have changed and YHWH doesn't expect us to be as rigid in our conduct and worship of Him as in olden times. We don't seem to have any problem inviting unbelievers in to preach to our congregations. A well known Karaite Jew was invited into a Messianic congregation to speak and when I voiced my objection, the believer that sent me the notice told me "Lighten up Brick.....the times are changing and I pray you can be flexible enough to change as well."

The times may be changing, but scripture tells us YHWH does not change (Mal 3:6). What He hated 3000 years ago, He hates today.

Does YHWH condone the mixing of the Holy (Kadosh) with the profane? What fellowship can light have with darkness?

2Co 6:15 And what concord hath the Messiah with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

How can we compromise with those things YHWH calls an abomination?

Recently, the Presbyterian Church (USA) voted to ordain openly practicing homosexuals to the ministry. YHWH calls this an abomination.

Lev 18:22 *Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination.*

In fact, He says they should be put to death.

Lev 20:13 If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed <u>an abomination</u>: <u>they shall surely be put to death</u>; their blood shall be upon them.

There is no stronger word than "abomination' in the Hebrew to indicate the hatred of something. Strong's Concordance defines it as follows:

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תעבה תועבה

tô'êbah tô'êbah

to-ay-baw', to-ay-baw'

Feminine active participle of <u>H8581</u>; properly **something** *disgusting* (**morally**), that is, (as noun) an *abhorrence*; especially *idolatry* or (concretely) an *idol*: - abominable (custom, thing), abomination.

It comes from the root word ta'ab.

H8581

תעב

tâ'ab

taw-ab'

A primitive root; to *loathe*, that is, **(morally)** *detest:* - (make to be) **abhor** (-red), (be, commit more, do) abominable (-y), X utterly.

YHWH absolutely hates the practice of homosexuality. He hates all manner of sin, but those things He calls an abomination are especially despicable and repugnant in His eyes.

Okay, so we may not be homosexual and this doesn't apply to us. But, what other things may we be doing that are not pleasing to YHWH? Are practices or beliefs that contain 99% truth and 1% error acceptable to Him? YHWH says He will not share His glory (Kavod) with anyone. So is the celebrating of Christmas and Easter acceptable to YHWH? Both of these are pagan celebrations and have nothing at all to do with YHWH. Just because everyone is observing Christmas and Easter doesn't make it acceptable to YHWH. In fact, Eze 8:16 tells us 25 men with their back to the temple were worshipping the sun as it came up in the

Eze 8:16 And he brought me into the inner court of YHWH's house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of YHWH, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of YHWH, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east.

We know this is referring to Easter as we were told in Eze. 8:14 that women were weeping for Tammuz. This was the 40 day period of weeping, now called Lent, which preceded the supposed resurrection of Tammuz, the sun god at sunrise on Easter morning.

YHWH called these practices "<u>wicked</u> abominations" in Eze. 8:9 and referred to the sun rise service as an <u>even greater abomination</u>. This is about as strong a condemnation of this practice as can be made in the Hebrew language. YHWH absolutely hates it.

Celebrating the pagan feast of Easter and attributing it to the resurrection of YHWH's son Yahshua, is tantamount to expecting YHWH to share His glory with Satan. Easter was a pagan feast long before the birth of Yahshua.

Isa 42:8 I am YHWH: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.

The complete disregard of the Sabbath in favor of Sunday is the same as paying homage to the sun god. Yet, we are told that the keeping of the Sabbath was to be a sign between YHWH and His people forever (Exo 31:16-17). I wonder whose sign is the keeping of Sunday?

How about little white lies? Is it okay to tell a lie to spare some ones feelings? YHWH also calls this practice an abomination.

Pro 12:22 Lying lips are abomination to YHWH: but they that deal truly are his delight.

What other things are abominations to YHWH?

Pro 11:1 A false balance is <u>abomination</u> to YHWH: but a just weight is his delight. **Deu 25:15** But thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure shalt thou have: that thy days may be lengthened in the land which YHWH thy Elohim giveth thee.

Deu 25:16 For all that do such things, and all that do unrighteously, are an **abomination** unto YHWH thy Elohim.

An unjust weight is theft; taking something that doesn't belong to you, no matter how small, is still theft.

We are not to pollute our bodies by eating things that YHWH has pronounced unclean.

Lev 20:25 Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean.

The unclean thing used for food is also called an abomination in Lev 11:10-42. It doesn't matter the rationale that some use today to justify eating what YHWH has called unclean; they are unclean because He said so. We are to be a holy, set apart people unto YHWH.

Lev 20:26 And <u>ye shall be holy unto me</u>: for I YHWH am holy, and have severed you from other people, that ye should be mine.

Cross dressing is called an abomination to YHWH.

Deu 22:5 The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are **abomination** unto YHWH thy Elohim

How about idols and graven images?

Deu 27:15 Cursed be the man that maketh any graven or molten image, an <u>abomination</u> unto YHWH, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and putteth it in a secret place. And all the people shall answer and say, so be it.

You often see little images and statues of angels and J-sus on a cross in many churches. These are all idols and are forbidden by Torah.

What is expected of us then?

We are told to set a difference between the clean and the unclean, the holy and the profane. We are not to learn the way of the Heathen. We can't mix the worship of demons with the worship of YHWH. YHWH expects us to be a Holy people totally set apart unto Him without compromise.

1Pe 1:15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

1Pe 1:16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

The word Holy is kadosh in Hebrew and it means to be sanctified, made clean and set apart. YHWH does not expect us to compromise with the world, but to be set apart to Him for His purposes. If we compromise with the world, then we are no different than them.

- **1Co 6:9** Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of YHWH? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,
- **1Co 6:10** Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of YHWH.

YHWH seeks those who will worship Him in spirit and in truth (John 4:23).

Rev 21:7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his Elohim, and he shall be my son.

Rev 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the <u>abominable</u>, 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.

We are to be different than those around us who do not know nor worship YHWH. We are not to compromise with evil and should avoid even the appearance of it. A little leaven spreads through the whole loaf. Compromise leads to more sin as we tend to become desensitized to it. We become lukewarm like the church of Laodicea of Rev 3:16 which causes the savior to want to spew us out of his mouth.

Compromise is the wide path that many are on, which leads to destruction, but the people that YHWH is looking for are those that enter in at the strait gate and are called His people - Yisrael.

Compromising with the world is not pleasing to YHWH and ruins our witness. How can we be a light to the nations if we look no different than they? Think about it.