

## **Notes For: Conflation Confusion (Part 2)**

### **A Topical Study**

#### **Introduction**

As important as it was for the first century church to have its conflation confusion issues clarified and resolved; that need is just as great for our current generation of Christians. Not that long ago I came across the following statement:

**“When any society or government separates itself from God and His law, it cuts itself off from any hope of being driven toward salvation; or from any kind of restraint upon sin.”**

My initial response was, “Really! Then how do you explain the growth of the first century church under the authority of the Roman Empire, and its emperor-worshipping paganism? Or the growth of the modern day church under the atheistic Communist governments of Russia and China?” Of course, the answer is that you can’t explain it if you are operating from the above premise; which is not only false but indicative of a perspective that reveals a conflation confusion condition. This particular conflation confusion has nothing to do with carrying over and mixing together the dietary, ceremonial or moral law of God from one covenant to another. It has everything to do with the civil law of God being misunderstood in one covenant and misapplied in another.

#### **(2) Our Clarity/Concern/Contrast/Comprehension With This Issue**

##### **■ Our Clarity With A New Identity (Hebrews 3:1)**

- >> a higher level of citizenship (Philippians 3:20)
- >> a greater level of influence (Matthew 5:13-16)

##### **■ Our Concern With The Wrong Remedy (Matthew 16:13-20)**

- >> a higher source of help (1 John 4:1-5; Matthew 26:40-41)
- >> a greater source of truth (2 Timothy 4:1-5; John 17:13-19)