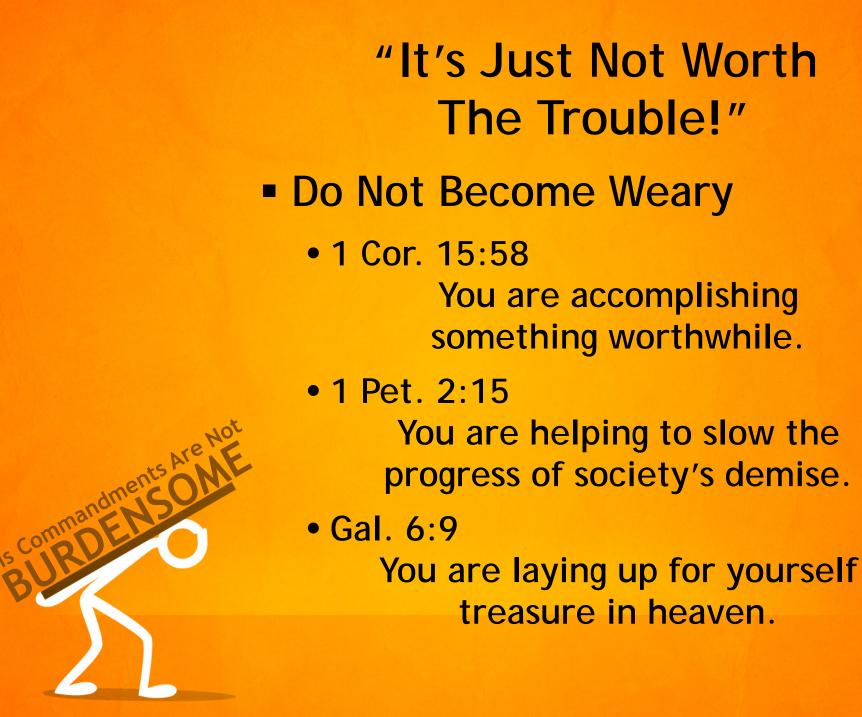


"It's Just Not Worth The Trouble!"

Israel's Constant Struggle:

- Isa. 43:22 "You are weary of Me."
- Jer. 2:31 "We will come no more to you."
- Amos 8:5 "When will the New Moon and Sabbath be over?"
- Micah 6:3 "How have I wearied you?"
- Mat. 1:13 "O what a weariness!"



God's Commandments Are Not Burdensome Mat. 11:28-30 "My yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Mat. 23:4 "They bind heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on men's shoulders."

Why God's Commandments Seem Burdensome

- A "want to" problem.
 - Haggai 1:3-7 Serving self was easy, serving God was burdensome.



• Luke 14:15-21 - Plenty of time for self, no time for the kingdom of God.

Why God's Commandments Seem Burdensome

- What do we really want to do?
 - Worship Sunday AM, PM, Wed. -Heb. 10:23-25
 - Service to one another -Rom. 12:6-13
 - Lewdness, lusts, revelries, drinking parties, etc. -1 Pet. 4:3



Why God's Commandments Seem Burdensome

- 2 Cor. 8:1-4 How Macedonian Christians sacrificed beyond their ability:
 - Vs. 5 First gave themselves to the Lord.
 - Vs. 12 Had a willing mind.

If you really want to, nothing the Lord commands will be burdensome!