



The Danger of Dogma

The Memorial Emblems



Guilty of the Body and
Blood of the Lord

Acts 4 ²⁷ for truly in
this city there were
gathered together
against your holy
servant Jesus, whom
you anointed, both
Herod and Pontius
Pilate, along with the
Gentiles and the
peoples of Israel



How did Christ's death accomplish this?

Col. 2 ¹⁴ by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.



Legal demands (*dogma*)

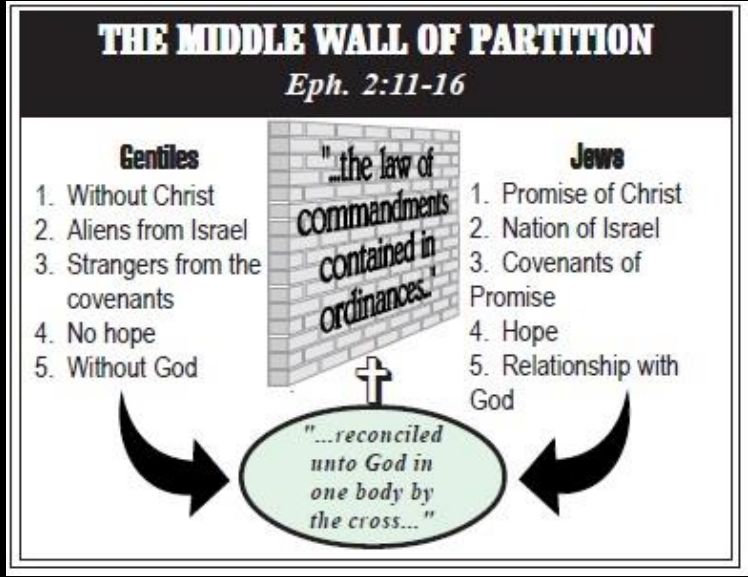
The basic meaning of the word is τὰ δεδομένα (μοι), “**what seems to be right.**” a. “**opinion,**”

- Kittel, G. (1964). δόγμα, δογματίζω. G. Kittel, G. W. Bromiley, & G. Friedrich (Eds.), *Theological dictionary of the New Testament* (electronic ed., Vol. 2, p. 230). Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans.

Dogma

- the law of commandments expressed in **ordinances** (Eph. 2:15)
- the record of debt that stood against us with its **legal demands** (Col. 2:14)
- you submit to **regulations** (Col. 2:20)
- a **decree** went out from Caesar Augustus (Luke 2:2)
- the **decrees** of Caesar (Acts 17:7)
- for observance the **decisions** that had been reached (Acts 16:4)





The dividing wall of hostility

When enemies make peace



Luke 23 ¹⁰ The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. ¹¹ And Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him. Then, arraying him in splendid clothing, he sent him back to Pilate. ¹² And Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day, for before this they had been at **enmity** with each other.



How did Christ's death accomplish this?

Eph. 2 ¹⁵ by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.



Discerning the Body

Col. 2 ¹⁹ ... holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.

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bloody *of*
CHRIST