



## Commit

When we think of the meaning of ‘commit,’ seldom would we consider the definition of ‘roll.’ Yet, that is how the Hebrew word, galal, is defined.

(1 Sam 14:33) Then they told Saul, saying, Behold, the people sin against the LORD, in that they eat with the blood. And he said, Ye have transgressed: roll a great stone unto me this day.

The phrase, ‘roll a great stone unto me this day’ exposes several unique revelations. The context of verse 33 focuses on the people’s sin against God—they ate meat with its blood. Saul immediately responded with a



confrontation—you have sinned. Then he followed it up with the solution—roll a great stone unto me this day. *The phrase ‘this day’ means, ‘this minute.’* That only leaves us with the meaning of rolling a great stone unto him. Saul wanted to perform a sacrifice immediately and needed a great stone upon which to kill the sacrificial animal so that its blood would drain down onto the earth. He commanded the men to find and roll such a

The word ‘roll’ is the same word as ‘commit’ in the next two verses.

(Psa 37:5-6) Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. {6} And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.

Commit our way unto God, and trust in him. God will bring our way and our trust to pass. Not only that, He will make us literally shine in righteousness. I love the second part of verse 6—and thy judgment as the noonday. It will be as bright as high noon. There is no darkness with God and he

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will never manifest darkness unto us. These great truths are contingent upon one thing—us rolling [committing] our ways unto God.

(Prov 16:3) Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.

How often have you desired that your thoughts are established. Firm, whole, wonderful, centered on God? We all do. To get to this place, God requests one thing—commitment of our works unto Him. This word commit is the same word as ‘roll.’ Can you imagine assisting with rolling that great stone unto Saul? That’s what you are supposed to do with your works unto God. Roll them over to Him and let Him help with everything. Then, your thoughts will be established. You will be able to stop worrying, wondering, doubting, etc. You will free yourself into God’s

care.

(1 Pet 4:19) Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.

The new testament defines ‘commit’ as ‘to place alongside.’ Christians are supposed to roll the keeping of their very lives alongside of God. Do God’s will, continue in this well-doing, and roll your trust onto God. He will care for you in everything.

Saul understood the importance of fixing the people’s sin. They had erred in that they did not obey God. But the problem was remedied by rolling over a great stone and sacrificing an animal post haste. When you understand the importance of fixing your life, you will roll all of your cares over onto God. This is what

he has asked you to do. Obey Him, post haste, and you, too, will receive your much desired deliverance.

Much love in Christ,

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