

## **REJECTING GOD'S COMMANDMENTS LEADS TO DEATH**

**Replacing God's definition of love with our own definition leads us to justify our sinful behavior. Keeping God's commandments is Jesus' definition of love (John 14:15). When we simply do what we think is right in our own eyes without regard to God's commandments we end up with brokenness, death, and idolatry. Individuals who truly cooperate with the Spirit, come to genuine faith in Jesus, and experience the righteousness which comes from God, have the opportunity for a community of "new creations" in Christ. Marriage based on God's Word has the best opportunity to not end in brokenness. When the Biblical marriage of a born again man and a born again woman is guided by obeying the commands of God, real life "in Christ" is a possibility. When a church is guided by obedience to the commands of God, stability is more likely to occur.**

**In the name of love, many professing Christians and some churches are forsaking God's commandments and accepting lifestyles and social agendas which break God's commandments.**

**In the name of equality and justice, we see acceptance of same-sex marriage (marriage justice), economic justice (socialism), and critical race theory (racial justice). Critical race theory puts emphasis on discrimination and its causes rather than simply unifying all people in the name of Jesus.**

**Rejecting God's commandments leads people and churches to self destruction and death.**

**Proverbs 14:12 There is a way that seems to be right, but in the end it leads to death.**

**Proverbs 14:11 The house of the wicked will be destroyed, but the tent of the upright will flourish.**

**Psalm 119:2 Blessed are they who keep His statutes and seek Him with all their heart.**