

are represented by these forms. It is not -- It does not matter when we observe Christmas and when we observe Easter, but it is a ^{very} ~~very~~ good thing that we agree upon a date and that once ~~at~~ every year we particularly remember these vital things. All this is ceremonial law. So that was ^B ~~S~~. - There are various types of law, and the difference comes the types rather than from a change of period except that ^{as a} ~~the~~ change of period ~~app~~ affects the situation.

No. C then, The Ceremonial Law and the Civil Law differ in their application to varying circumstances. There have been those who have held the law is fixed, it is rigid, it is little tiny details you have to carry out just this way, and that was the spirit of ~~the~~ Pharaseeism. And that was what Paul spoke so strongly against. We are not saved by keeping law, we are saved through the grace of Christ, but law has its great importance to us. And then people go to the opposite extreme ~~app~~ and they say situation ethics, there is nothing fixed right or wrong. You have to determine everything in relation to the situation. Actually, of course, that is true if correctly understood. But very few people have the brains or the understanding ^{truly} to decide in every situation what is right. We have to have certain fixed principles we stand on, or else we will fall into gross error. But the fact is that the law does apply in particular situations and we have to study its relation to the situation. A particular act is not ~~at~~ right or wrong in itself. A ^{murderer} ~~murderer~~ sticks a knife in a man and kills him and he is a murdered. A surgeon sticks a knife in a man and heals him of his ~~disease~~ disease, and there is nothing wrong but it is very right what the surgeon has done. The act is not ~~at~~ right or wrong. It is the situation in which the act is performed. It is the ^{it} circumstances under which ~~the/act/~~ occurs. It is the application of the moral law to the particular situation, and so small d.

d. It is very important that we learn the great principles of the moral law, but it is particularly important that we learn to apply them to our time, to our situation of our days, that we learn to apply God's moral law, that we learn to think things through in the light of God's Word. Now of course we could spend many days going through these laws, but that is not our purpose in this course.