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Subject: Thoughts and Comments on Christian Ethics taught by Hobart Freeman  
Posted by [james](#) on Fri, 22 Dec 2017 21:38:56 GMT  
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In message post #12327 Mark wrote the following:

"Ascetic tendencies within Protestantism-

Holiness churches, Amish, Old Order, Pentecostals all emphasize a life of self denial towards certain practices in the world: beer, dance, movies, lipstick, ect.

Four Different Tendencies within Protestantism\_

- A. Do's and don't become ends in themselves.
- B. Result in works salvation.
- C. It is the central message of their teachings.
- D. There is no sound basic teaching to under gird their call to a separate life."

First, Mark, I am assuming these are quotes from Hobart Freeman and not your own words. If I'm wrong please correct me. Since I can't remember the order of his teaching I'm also assuming that these ethics teachings were earlier in his ministry, because he seemed to have forgotten them near the end. Much of what was emphasize the last few years were exactly 'do's and don't' and they became laws within our circle of Christianity. And just as he condemned them for making it their central teachings, somehow it became what he focused on. His opinion became our laws to follow, and it was as silly as can't wear Nike shoes, jeans on women, TV & movies, go to doctor and remain in 'the faith', ect.

These are MY experiences and opinions of what I witnessed over 8+ years and not posted to be critical but to comment because I don't have the notes and tapes any longer and was a bit shocked in reading some of the teaching and comparing them to my memory and experiences.

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