Phylacteries, Tzitzits, & Mezuzahs

Mezuzah

Affixed to the doorpost at the entrance of the home and each interior room (except bathrooms)

Contains a small scroll inscribed with Deuteronomy 6:4–9; and Deuteronomy 11:13–21

Meant to remind the Jews that their homes were holy places and that they should act accordingly

Positioned at about eye level









Hung from the corners of the prayer shawl

Reminder of God's 613 commands

The long blue thread was a visual reminder to keep a heavenly focus on the Divine Presence of God

Jesus apparently wore these – Matthew 9:20-22





Phylacteries

Leather or wooden boxes with straps

One box was worn on the forehead and the other on the left arm

Contained four scriptures (Exodus 13:9,16; Deuteronomy 6:8; 11:18)

Reminders of the commands, statutes, and ordinances of God

A Failure To Understand God's Commands Exodus 13:6-9; Deuteronomy 6:4-12

Their Religion Was Done To Be Seen

Their Focus Was Only On The Outside

The Problem Matthew 23; Matthew 6:1-18 We Need To "Shama" (Hear) God's Word Daily Deuteronomy 6:4-9; James 1:23-25

> God Doesn't Need A Show Matthew 6:1-18

Jesus Showed The Way Philippians 2:1-11

The Good We Can Takeaway

Is Your Service To God Genuine?