When God Hasn't Said Anything About It

Introduction:

- A. In previous lessons, we have learned that we must have authority for what we do in religion.
- B. Perhaps the most common question asked whenever God has not spoken or authorized a particular thing is the "Why can't we?" question.
 - 1. Extreme answers to that question:
 - a. Permissive answer -
 - b. Prohibitory answer -
 - 2. But what is God's answer to the meaning of His silence?

I. Sounds Of Silence From The Old Testament

- A. Israel at the Red Sea (Exodus 14:10-16).
- B. Israel at the first post-Exodus Passover (Numbers 9:1-14).
- C. Israel at the plains of Moab prior to entering Canaan (Deuteronomy 28-30).
- D. David attempts to move the ark of the covenant (1 Chronicles 13,15).

II. Logical New Testament Responses To The Sounds Of God's Silence

- A. 1 Peter 4:10-11 –
- B. Hebrews 1:3-5; 7:11-14; 8:4 –
- C. Acts 15:24 -
- D. 1 Corinthians 4:6 -
- E. 2 John 9 –

Conclusion:

We arrive back at Square #1 - Without authority, we have no right to act!