

Mark 2:27

And He said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath."

Do you sometimes think that God created all these rules, then He created man to see if he could follow them?

I mean, if you read Exodus through Deuteronomy, it seems like God has all these rules and we are supposed to keep them all. And some of them we wonder how He ever came up with them, was God just making things up as He goes.

† *And these you shall regard as an abomination among the birds; they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination: the eagle, the vulture, the buzzard, the stork, the heron after its kind, the hoopoe, and the bat. Leviticus 11:13 & 19 (NKJV)*

I don't know about you, but I never had a hankerin' for bat yet God has it in His law.

Today we think of things like, "I think I should have sex with my spouse before we get married to make sure we are compatible."

Sorry dude (or dudette), but compatibility has nothing to do with sex, because when you lose your job and can't pay the bills, do you really think that sex will fix everything, or what about when your child is sick in the hospital with cancer, sex is not the comfort or fix for that. No, you are just using that as an excuse to have sex now, and even say that God messed up and is wrong for saying to wait until you are married to have sex.

The truth of it all is that God created man, but He did not create a bunch of rules to see if we could keep them, but rather to protect us.

If you think about it, how many STD's are out there and how many people have them. If we just listened to God, there wouldn't be any STD's

I think the problem is we think of them as a bunch of rules. But God never calls them rules. In fact, the word "rules" when used in the bible never means rules to follow as we use the term, no it means one who is over another, such as:

† *For the kingdom is the LORD'S, And He rules over the nations. Psalm 22:28*

I only found one instance of when it's used how we do and it's:

† *And also if anyone competes in athletics, he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. 2 Timothy 2:5*

And this is only referring to sports.

So no, there are no rules in the bible, only God's protection over all of us and His creation, including, not eating bats for lunch.