Priority in terms of lesser to higher holiness. & 'To die for our faith, what does it really mean?'

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PRIORITY:

1. The spiritual significance of the 7th Day Sabbath weighs heavier than the literal meaning of the 7th Day Sabbath.
2. The letter of the 7th day Sabbath still have importance. The letter of the 7th Day Sabbath, the 4th commandment, weighs heavier than the
3. Dietary laws. Laws concerning the physical, external and temporal.

Priority does not equal exclusion unless there is a dilemma in which you need to choose between one or the other.

This might be a bit fast as it just came to me, but, if you have a look at the sanctuary, which is also a figure of the way of Christ, there are 3 compartments with different priorities in terms of what is holier and less holy:

1. Most Holy place
2. Holy place
3. Outer court

We also see the same pattern of 3, when it comes to main interpretations of end time prophecies. From shallower to deeper/spiritual. From outer (court) to holy, to most holy.

Another way of seeing that there is a priority when it comes to the shallower, more literal /apparent to the deeper, inner, spiritual is the two greatest commandments where the priority is:

1. Love for God, the Creator and His spiritual kingdom.
(Sum up of the first 4 of the 10 commandments)

2. Love for mankind, Creation and the physical kingdom.
(Sum up of the last 6 of the 10 commandments)

There is a significant priority in terms of greater and lesser importance. Which is why we are to choose obedience to God over man. There is a good reason why Jesus divides the two main commandments that sum up the ten into two categories, and calls the commandments that deal with our relationship to God, the first and greatest. The second is in second place, it does not have as much weight or same holiness. If it had, one could have equated the Creator with creation. God's word in its entirety is very clear that the Creator has the highest authority, over creation. The abomination and the sins of Israel constantly deal with the great sin of putting creation and what it represents, over the creator (God) and what God represents. It was also Lucifer's sin in heaven, which is in the category of creation, not creator.

Matthew 22:36-40:

"***Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?"***
37 Jesus replied*: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' 38*
This is the **FIRST AND GREATEST COMMANDMENT**
*39 And **THE SECOND** is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'*

Jesus Christ who is both the begotten Son of God (and in the category, Creator) sacrificed Himself and became both the begotten Son of God and the Son of Man. It is in 4th commandment of the 7th Day sabbath, as well as on the cross, that we see the perfect union of the Creator (God) and Creation. While still not sacrificing the authority of the Creator and His spiritual kingdom by loving and worshiping God and His kingdom above creation and the physical kingdom.