

Christ's Death and the Law

The truth about God's law is not that it is like a rope that binds us, rather, it is like a rope that extends from heaven to connect us with our heavenly Father and our true home.

Living in obedience is not about trying not to sin; it's about focusing on Jesus so much that sin isn't even an option!

In Romans 6, 7, and 8, Paul shows us the relationship between obedience and God's grace. Grace "supplies the power that makes obedience and victory over sin possible."

There can be no true obedience without having a relationship with Jesus. The new covenant brings Him into our lives so that it's no longer just about the tablets of stones. We learn to relate to our Savior, instead. That's why it's a better covenant. That's the beauty of the Incarnation. The indwelling Spirit lives the life of Christ in us. It is through this experience that we fulfill God's precious commands. These commands are not separate from Christ. Indeed, they are the life of Christ. As we daily relate to Him, His life becomes our life through the experience of relational obedience.

The Law of Sin and Death (Romans 7:7-13; 8:1-8)

The Power and the Function of the Law (Roman 4:15; 7:8-11)

The Powerless Law or What the Law Cannot Do (Acts 13:38-39; Romans 8:3; Galatians 3:21)

The Curse of the Law (Gen. 2:17; Ps. 51:5; Isa. 64:6; Ezek. 18:4; Rom. 3:23; Gal. 3:10-13)

Christ With His Death Magnified the Law (Matt. 5:17)

The function of the law is to point us to the Redeemer (Eccles. 12:13)

What is the difference between obedience and legalism?

Why do we keep the commandments of God if doing so doesn't bring salvation?

How does Romans 8:1-2 affect your personal battle with sin?

How can the law be a blessing in your life?

How do you react to people who claim that God's law is canceled?