



Day 2
BONUS HANDOUT

**Understanding the difference between
the Law and Grace**

The Old Testament Law (Law of Moses) was given to Israel, not to Christians

- Laws on how to obey and please God (*the Moral laws, like the Ten Commandments*).
- Laws for how the Israelites how to worship God and atone for sin (*the Sacrificial system*).
- Laws to make the Israelites distinct from other nations (*the Civic, food and clothing rules*).

Note: Abraham, Noah, Job, etc – none of them ever even heard of the 10 commandments!

You can't just obey some of the laws and ignore others

James 2:10-11 – “For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all. For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law.”

Galatians 3:10 – “For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.”

Note: there are at least 613 separate laws in the Law of Moses: 248 “do’s” and 365 “don’ts”

Jesus freed us from being under the Mosaic Law

Romans 10:4 – “For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.”

Galatians 2:16 – “Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.”

The Law was never the goal – the law was supposed to lead us to the goal!

Galatians 3:23-25 – “But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed. Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.”

Galatians 3:18-19 – “For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise. Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made”

John 1:17 – “For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.”

As Christians, we serve the Law of Christ (*to love God and others*) – the true goal the whole time!

Matthew 22:37-40 – “Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Galatians 5:13-14 – “For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.”

Galatians 6:2 – “Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.”

Romans 6:14-18 – “For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace. What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid... Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.”

Law vs. Grace

No Murder vs. **No Hate** // **No Adultery** vs. **No Lust** // **Tithe** vs. **Stewardship** // **Sabbath** vs. **Worship every day**
Don't Lie vs. **Use words to encourage** // **Ritual** vs. **Spirit and Truth**