

Book of Galatians
(Mosaic Written Law vs Rabbinical Oral Law)

2018 Part 2



Common Teaching by Traditional Christianity

Grace has replaced the Mosaic Law...

Christ has replaced and fulfilled the Mosaic Law...

Law of Christ has replaced the Mosaic Law...

And Therefore,

*We don't have to keep the Mosaic Law with its Sabbaths,
Holy Days, Dietary Laws, etc.*

*Scriptures Used to Support
“You Don’t Have to Keep the Law”*

Not Justified by “Works of the Law” but “Faith in Christ”

- *Gal 2:16 knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified.*

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The Law is a Curse

- *Gal 3:10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse;*
- *Gal 3:13 Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law...*

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The Law is Bondage – Christ Brought Liberty

- *Gal 2:4 And this occurred because of false brethren secretly brought in (who came in by stealth to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage),*
- *Gal 4:3 Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world.*

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The Law is Bondage – Christ Brought Liberty

- *Gal 4:9-11 But now after you have known God, or rather are known by God, how is it that you turn again to the weak and beggarly elements, to which you desire again to be in bondage?
10 You observe days and months and seasons and years.*
- *Gal 5:1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.*

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Mosaic Law Has Been Replaced with Christ’s Law

- *Gal 6:2-3 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.*

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Christ is the End of the Law

- *Rom 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.*

We must be able to give a response to these previously listed Scriptures and be able to explain that these Scriptures do not say that the Law of God is done away with.

We don't believe any of this...

we don't believe that Grace has done away with the Mosaic Law (it's God's Law not Moses's Law and Scripture tells us that Christ came with Father's message) or that Christ came to replace His Father's Law with His Law.

We don't believe that Grace cancels obedience to God's Law but rather that Grace gives us another chance to obey God's Law....a chance to obey again...and again...and again as we learn and practice obeying God's Law... Grace is given to keep law NOT to cancel God's Law.

We Believe that God's Law is...

Rom 7:12

*12 Therefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy
and just and good.*

What We Believe Is Based on Scripture

- *Eph 2:8-10 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.*
- *Grace = unmerited pardon... we sinned, so we merit the death penalty... we don't merit this pardon... merit is something you earn like a merit pay increase... this unmerited pardon a gift... Christ died in our stead... He paid the death penalty... by accepting Christ, we die with Him and therefore, the death penalty is paid through belief/faith in Him... so we can't boast that we have earned our salvation or that we have saved ourselves.*

Scriptures to Support What We Believe

“Under the Law” vs “Under Grace”

- *Rom 6:1-14* *What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin (sin is transgression of law 1Jn 3/4) that grace may abound? 2 Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? 3 Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? 4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.*

Scriptures to Support What We Believe

“Under the Law” vs “Under Grace”

- *5 For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, 6 knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. 7 For he who has died has been freed from sin. 8 Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him,*

Scriptures to Support What We Believe

“Under the Law” vs “Under Grace”

- *9 knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. 10 For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. 11 Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. 12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts.*

Scriptures to Support What We Believe

“Under the Law” vs “Under Grace”

- *13 And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. 14 For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace (you are no longer under the death penalty because of Christ’s redeeming act of grace... but now we have a chance to again obey the Law by this grace).*

We are not to continue to sin because of Grace....

What Is Sin?

- *1 John 3:4-9 Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness. 5 And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin. 6 Whoever abides in Him does not sin. Whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him. 7 Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous (practices keeping Law of God), just as He is righteous.*

What Is Sin?

- *1 John 3:4-9 8 He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil. 9 Whoever has been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God.*

Wages of Sin

- Rom 6:15-23 15 *What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not! 16 Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness? 17 But God be thanked that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered. 18 And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness.*

Wages of Sin

- 19 I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness. 20 For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. 21 What fruit did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. 22 But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Purpose of Law – We Have to Admit That We Are All Sinners

- Rom 3:9-21 What then? Are we better than they? Not at all. For we have previously charged both Jews and Greeks that they are all under sin. 10 As it is written: "There is none righteous, no, not one; 11 There is none who understands; There is none who seeks after God. 12 They have all turned aside; They have together become unprofitable; There is none who does good, no, not one."

Purpose of Law – Shows What Sin Is

- *13 "Their throat is an open tomb; With their tongues they have practiced deceit"; "The poison of asps is under their lips"; 14 "Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness." 15 "Their feet are swift to shed blood; 16 Destruction and misery are in their ways; 17 And the way of peace they have not known." 18 "There is no fear of God before their eyes."*

Purpose of Law – Must Admit We Are All Sinners

- *19 Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. 20 Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin.*
- *The Law is not an instrument that brings salvation (only redeeming act of Jesus does this) but after we accept Christ's grace, we keep the law to live as Christ lived.*

Saints Observe God's Law

- *Rev 14:12 Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.*
- *Both faith & Law*

Purpose of Law – Acts as a Mirror to Show That We Are Sinners

- Rom 7:7-12 *What shall we say then? Is the law sin? Certainly not! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, "You shall not covet."
8 But sin, taking opportunity by the commandment, produced in me all manner of evil desire. For apart from the law sin was dead.*

Purpose of Law – Acts as a Mirror

- *9 I was alive once without the law, but when the commandment came, sin revived and I died. 10 And the commandment, which was to bring life, I found to bring death. 11 For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it killed me. 12 Therefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy and just and good.*

How Many of You Love God?

- *John 14:15-18 "If you love Me, keep My commandments. 16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever — 17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. 18 I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.*
- *1 John 2:3-11 3 Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. 4 He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.*

How Many of You Love God?

- *5 But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. 6 He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked. 7 Brethren, I write no new commandment to you, but an old commandment which you have had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which you heard from the beginning. 8 Again, a new commandment I write to you, which thing is true in Him and in you, because the darkness is passing away, and the true light is already shining.*

How Many of You Love God?

- *9 He who says he is in the light, and hates his brother, is in darkness until now. 10 He who loves his brother abides in the light, and there is no cause for stumbling in him. 11 But he who hates his brother is in darkness and walks in darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.*

Faith & Works Must Go Together

- *James 2:14-24 What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him? 15 If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, 16 and one of you says to them, "Depart in peace, be warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit? 17 Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.*

Faith & Works Must Go Together

- *18 But someone will say, "You have faith, and I have works." Show me your faith without your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. 19 You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe — and tremble! 20 But do you want to know, O foolish man, that faith without works is dead? 21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered Isaac his son on the altar?*

Faith & Works Must Go Together

- *22 Do you see that faith was working together with his works, and by works faith was made perfect? 23 And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." And he was called the friend of God. 24 You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith only (both faith and works needed).*

Bondage vs Fulfilled

- Matt 5:17-19 "Do not think that I came to destroy (abolish) the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill (make complete, magnify, make fuller, etc). 18 For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. 19 Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.
- Destroy (abolish) opposite of fulfill.
- Fulfill does not abolish. . . it makes it complete, fuller, magnified.