

Lesson 15 – The Law of God

- 1) How long does the Bible say that God’s Law is in effect?

Psalm 111:7, 8 “The works of his hands *are* verity and judgment; all his commandments *are* sure. They stand fast _____ and _____, *and are done in truth and uprightness.*”

NOTE: The law of God is not a document that has changed or can change. It is a permanent transcript of the character of God. When we look into the law of God we are looking into the mind of God, and the mind of God can never be abolished so why should His law ever be abolished? It is truly a nonsensical notion.

- 2) What is the function of the law of God?

Romans 3:20 “Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be _____ in his sight: for by the law *is* the _____ of ____.”

NOTE: The law of God cannot save the sinner. Neither can a person be justified, (accounted as righteous) by keeping the law. What is the purpose of it, then? The purpose of the law of God is to show us what sin is. And once we see what sin is, the law points out to us the Savior from sin, Jesus Christ. So, without a proper understanding of what the law is, mankind is robbed from seeing the necessity of a Savior from sin, and sadly, this has happened in a widespread manner throughout Christianity today. The time has come for the world to know that the law of God is still very relevant today as a means of showing us what sin is.

- 3) What else does God’s Law do for us?

Psalm 19:7 “The law of the LORD *is* perfect, _____ the soul: the testimony of the LORD *is* sure, making wise the simple.”

NOTE: Although, the law itself cannot save us, it leads us into having a personal relationship with Jesus. Unless we see ourselves as we truly are we will never have the desire to be one with God.

- 4) Are there any personal benefits from obeying God’s Law?

Psalm 19:11 “Moreover by them *is* thy servant warned: *and* in keeping of them *there is* _____ reward.”

NOTE: There are great rewards in keeping God’s Law. Some of these rewards will be realized in the hereafter. But most of the rewards can be realized now.

- 5) I thought that the Bible teaches that New Testament Christians are under grace and there isn’t any need to keep that old law. Isn’t this so?

Romans 6:14-15 “For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but _____ . What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? _____ .”

NOTE: Some believe that God’s law is no longer important. Since we are under grace then the law can be broken constantly without measure. But is this a Biblical precedent? No! In fact Paul says, “God Forbid!” The reason why God has given us grace is not to continue to persist in a sinful lifestyle. Grace is given to us, to empower us to live a life victorious over sin.

Consider: If a police officer pulls over someone who is speeding. When the violator is questioned, the officer decides to have mercy, or extend grace to the offender. Now, if you are the offender what would you do? You are under grace now! How would you respond to that grace? Would you start your engine and press the accelerator down quickly, and take off and drive faster that you drove before? Of course not! Grace leads us and “teaches us to live Godly lives in this present world.” (Titus 2:11-12)

- 6) How does the Bible define sin?

1 John 3:4 “Whosoever _____ sin _____ also the law: _____ transgression of the law.”

NOTE: The Biblical definition of sin is breaking the law of God. Are you beginning to see the satanic strategy in teaching people today that the law of God is no longer important? If people are led to believe that the law of God is irrelevant to us today, what then are the people being taught to do? They are being taught to sin! Friends, we need to be assured that anything we believe as Christians today must be supported by a plain, “Thus saith the Lord!”

- 7) When a person decides to keep God’s Law, what is that person saying to Jesus?

John 14:15 “If ye _____ me, _____ my commandments.”

NOTE: If a person decides to keep God’s Law that person is saying to Jesus, “I love you.” There are some people today who are very boastful about their supposed love toward Jesus. They may wear crosses around their necks; have tattoos of crosses and bumper stickers on their car about how they love Jesus. But the true way you show Jesus you love Him is not by wearing a cross. It is by obeying Jesus because you love Him.

- 8) If a person claims to love Jesus, but does not want to obey Him, what does the Bible call that person?

1John 2:4, 5 “He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a _____, and the truth is not in him. But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.”

NOTE: The Bible has very strong words for those who say that they know Him, yet do not keep His Commandments. I don't want God to call me that, do you?

9) What does God do with His law during our day?

Hebrews 8:10 “For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my _____ into their _____, and _____ them in their _____: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:”

NOTE: God is willing not to leave us on this one. He takes the very law that He spoke from Mt. Sinai, and He writes that same law in our hearts and minds to will and to do according to His good pleasure. The commands that He gives are always given with the power behind them to actually follow what He has said for us to do.

10) Why does God want us to obey Him in the first place?

Deuteronomy 5:29 “O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my _____, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!”

NOTE: God does not call us to obey Him to satisfy some tyrannical pleasure. God longs for us to obey Him not because it is good for Him, but because it is good for us.

11) What should a Christian's attitude be toward obeying God?

Psalm 40:8 “I _____ to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my _____.”

NOTE: A Christian should not say, “What is the least I can do to gain heaven.” But, a true Christian should say, “What is the most I can do to gain heaven.” This attitude conveys a true conversion experience. And the cry of the true believer is, “I delight to do your will, Oh God, your law is within my heart.”

12) What will be the custom of God's People in the last days?

Revelation 14:12 “Here is the patience of the _____: here are they that _____ the _____ of God, and the faith of Jesus.”

NOTE: God's People in the last days will be keeping the commandments of God.

IS IT YOUR DESIRE...

To show your love for Jesus by obeying His Commandments? Yes or No