

## - Week 10 -

Romans 7

Or do you not know, brothers (for I am speaking to those who know the law)  
that the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives?

A typical teaching question  
IF - tangents

TWO  
EXAMPLES  
Drawn from  
What list of  
Commands?

For a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives,  
but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage.

This is true

Accordingly,  
she will be called an adulteress

if she lives with another man while her husband is alive.

So then this  
is true

But if her husband dies, she is free from that law,  
and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.

SO THEN

Likewise, my brothers,  
you also have died to the law through the body of Christ,  
so that you may belong to another,  
to him who has been raised from the dead,  
in order that we may bear fruit for God.

It is not  
contrary to  
THE LAW  
to be freed  
from  
THE LAW  
through death.

For while we were living in the flesh,  
our sinful passions, aroused by the law,  
were at work in our members to bear fruit for death.

But now we are released from the law,  
having died to that which held us captive,  
so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit  
and not in the old way of the written code.

Dead in Christ  
Gal-2

What then shall we say?

That the law is sin?

By no means!

Covetousness as an example  
of how SIN uses the Law

Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin.

For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said,  
"You shall not covet."

But sin,

seizing an opportunity through the commandment,

produced in me all kinds of covetousness.

For apart from the law, sin lies dead. *Is it still adultery or covetousness w/o Torah*

I was once alive apart from the law,  
but when the commandment came,  
sin came alive and I died.

The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me.

For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment,

deceived me and through it killed me.

So the law is holy,  
and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

**Did that which is good, then,  
bring death to me?  
By no means!**

It was sin,  
producing death in me through what is good,  
in order that sin might be shown to be sin,  
and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.

For we know that the law is spiritual,  
but I am of the flesh, sold under sin.

For I do not understand my own actions.

For **I** do not do what I want,  
but **I** do the very thing I hate.

Now if **I** do what I do not want,  
I agree with the law,  
that it is good.

So now it is no longer **I who do it**,  
but sin that dwells within me.

For I know that nothing good dwells in me,  
that is, in my flesh.

For I have the desire to do what is right,  
but not the ability to carry it out.

For **I** do not do the good I want,  
but the evil **I** do not want is what I keep on doing.

Now if **I** do what I do not want,  
it is no longer **I who do it**, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right,  
evil lies close at hand.

For I delight in the law of God,  
in my inner being,  
but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind  
and making me captive to the law of sin  
that dwells in my members.

**PROBLEM:** Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

**SOLUTION:** Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind,  
but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.  
For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus

THE LAW

AS A CHRISTIAN

Does this mean  
there are TWO "me's"?  
Sinful vs Spiritual?

ARE THESE  
THE SAME?

← IF I am unable to control myself,  
then I need to be controlled.

Summary  
of the  
Sinful  
Human  
Condition

Is this TORAH?

Law of God  
Law of Sin  
Law of the Spirit of Life

What is this  
Connected to?

THE LAW IS  
CORRUPTED

from the law of sin and death.

For God has done what the law (weakened by the flesh) could not do.

By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin,  
he condemned sin in the flesh,

in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us,

who walk not according to the  
flesh but according to the Spirit.

For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh,  
but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

For to set the mind on the flesh is death,  
but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law;  
indeed, it cannot.

Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

IS THIS BEHAVIOR? OR Is it about trusting the Law to save us?

You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit,

if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you.

Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ  
does not belong to him.

LAW OF SIN

But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin,  
the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,

he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies

through his Spirit who dwells in you.

LAW OF LIFE