

Are Christians under the law ?

Romans chapter 7, further explained.

Using the example from Romans 7:1-3.

I speak to those who know the law; that the law has dominion over a man only as long as he lives. For example: a married woman is bound by the law of marriage as long as her husband lives. and while *her* husband lives, if she be married to another, she shall be called an adulteress: But if her husband dies, she is freed from that law of her marriage. You becoming born-again and are now dead to the religious rudiments of the law, through the body of Christ so that you should be married to another, Christ Jesus.

- The above passage tells us that a born-again believer, who is dead to the old man, is not under the law. This applies to God's laws, rather than earthly laws of nature or governmental laws. Thus, if or when a believer breaks one of God's laws, we are no longer under condemnation, (see Romans 8:1).

Is the law then sin, since it was thus taken away, Romans 7:7-12.

Certainly not! For I would not have known what sin was except through the law. For when the law was put into effect, sin sprang to life, (the very law that was intended to bring forth life, actually brought forth death). So the law is holy and good, for without the law, we would have not known of the corrupted state that we were in, and there would have been no reason to repent and come to Christ.

What are God's law(s).

God's statues, commandments and levitical laws that were established during the time of the Old Testament when the Old Covenant was in place.

Then, why should we even try to keep the God's law(s), when we know we can't?

Jesus came and fulfilled the law, He did not cancel it. God's law(s) still governs His kingdom. If we deliberately live in sin, we will reap the effects of sin. However, if we abide by the law, having no condemnation when we fail. We will live in a greater degree of blessings, and will keep our consciences from condemning us. As scripture says, we are to; "Walk in the Spirit and you shall not fulfill the lusts of the flesh", [Galatians 5:16](#).

Now, under the New Covenant we are under grace and not the law!

All who believe in Christ Jesus are under grace. Enjoy the gift that He has given to us. Do not attempt to mix selective concepts of Law and grace together, for the two do not mix they are like water and oil. Jesus spoke of this in the parable of the [new ways vs old ways](#).

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