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Romans 6

- 14 For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.
- 15 What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace?
Certainly not!
 - We no longer need to worry about the penalty as long as we truthfully attempt to follow the law as much as has been revealed to us

Romans 7

- 1 Or do you not know, brethren (for I speak to those who know the law), that the law has dominion over a man as long as he lives?
- 2 For the woman who has a husband is bound by the law to her husband as long as he lives. But if the husband dies, she is released from the law of her husband.
- 3 So then if, while her husband lives, she marries another man, she will be called an adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free from that law, so that she is no adulteress, though she has married another man.
- 4 Therefore, my brethren, you also have become dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another--to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God.
- 5 For when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were aroused by the law were at work in our members to bear fruit to death.
- 6 But now we have been delivered from the law, having died to what we were held by, so that we should serve in the newness of the Spirit and not in the oldness of the letter.
 - We no longer worry about the penalty of the law
 - Forget the letter of the law – remember the intent – the spirit – the real meaning as delivered by Jesus Christ
- 7 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."
 - But the law's words still guide us as to what is right!
 - We only know that the red light means stop, because we know the "rules of the road"
 - That doesn't mean we don't follow them!
- 8 But sin, taking opportunity by the commandment, produced in me all manner of evil desire. For apart from the law sin was dead.
- 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.
 - The Law was meant to show the way of life that God intended
 - The Israelites turned it into a death sentence
- 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.
 - The Torah is still valid and good as a guideline for us

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- 13 Has then what is good become death to me? Certainly not! But sin, that it might appear sin, was producing death in me through what is good, so that sin through the commandment might become exceedingly sinful.
- 14 For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am carnal, sold under sin.
 - The Torah is *spiritual*
- 15 For what I am doing, I do not understand. For what I will to do, that I do not practice; but what I hate, that I do.
- 16 If, then, I do what I will not to do, I agree with the law that it is good.
- 17 But now, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me.
- 18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells; for to will is present with me, but how to perform what is good I do not find.
- 19 For the good that I will to do, I do not do; but the evil I will not to do, that I practice.
- 20 Now if I do what I will not to do, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me.
- 21 I find then a law, that evil is present with me, the one who wills to do good.
 - It is through the measurement of our actions that we find out how weak we really are
- 22 For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man.
- 23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.
- 24 O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?
- 25 I thank God--through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.
 - We are weak
 - God forgives us – through Jesus Christ, His Son

Romans 8

- 1 There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.
- 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.
 - By including “death”, Paul is saying we are free from the penalty of the law through Christ’s sacrifice for us
- 3 For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh,
- 4 that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.
 - Matthew 5:17 "Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.
- 5 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, the things of the Spirit.
- 6 For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

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- 7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.
- 8 So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.
 - Whatever we do or do not do will never be enough
- 9 But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.

Romans 9

- 30 What shall we say then? That Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness of faith;
- 31 but Israel, pursuing the law of righteousness, has not attained to the law of righteousness.
- 32 Why? Because they did not seek it by faith, but as it were, by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumbling stone.
- 33 As it is written: "Behold, I lay in Zion a stumbling stone and rock of offense, And whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame."

Romans 10

- 4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.
 - "the end" = the intent – the meaning
- 5 For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, "The man who does those things shall live by them."

Romans 13

- 8 Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law.
- 9 For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not bear false witness," "You shall not covet," and if there is any other commandment, are all summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
- 10 Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore **love is the fulfillment of the law.**
 - I can't add anything to that statement!!!!!!!!!!!!