



**I
HAVE
COME**



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**To Bring God's Presence
To Fulfill the Law
To Bring Total Deliverance
To Demand Total Submission**

Our Dilemma



- Incredible testimony of deliverance!
 - But ask his wife about his inconsistencies
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- Why do some things refuse to go away?
 - How can we be such hypocrites at times?
 - Promised inner peace yet often no peace?



Our Dilemma

- *“And I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. I want to do what is right, but I can’t. I want to do what is good, but I don’t. I don’t want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway. But if I do what I don’t want to do, I am not really the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it.”*
(Romans 7:18–20, NLT)



Our Dilemma

“I have discovered this principle of life—that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong. I love God’s law with all my heart. But there is another power within me that is at war with my mind. This power makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me. Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death?” (Romans 7:21–24, NLT)



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- “ἀμὴν γὰρ λέγω ὑμῖν· ἕως ἄν παρέλθῃ ὁ οὐρανὸς καὶ ἡ γῆ, ἰῶτα ἔν ἧ μία κεραία οὐ μὴ παρέλθῃ ἀπὸ τοῦ νόμου, ἕως ἄν πάντα γένηται.” (Matthew 5:18, NA27 w/GRAMCORD)

■ “וְיִדְבָּר אֱלֹהִים אֶת כָּל־הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה לְאַמֵּר:”

Exodus 20:1, BHS/WHM 4.2



Difficult Words

1. He did not come to abolish the law ! V17-18
 - a. Not even the smallest letter or stroke
 - b. Valid till the end of heaven & earth
 - c. Valid till all is accomplished



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1. He did not come to abolish the law ! V17-18
2. Keep every part or you are judged v 19
3. Unless you are more righteous than the Pharisees (who kept everything) you cannot enter the kingdom of God v 20
 - a. They tithed even their spices!



Weather: 19C



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Travel



Violent passengers on El Al flight from NY to TLV

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Chaos and violence as El Al flight delayed

After a five-hour delay, an El Al flight from NY to Israel lands in Athens to avoid desecrating Shabbat; in response, passengers clash with crewmembers; 'young flight attendants were hit and verbally attacked by ultra-Orthodox passengers'; El Al says it will file a complaint with the police.

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El Al announced Saturday its intention to file a police complaint against passengers who attacked crew members on a flight from New York to Israel, which was delayed due to a snowstorm on the East Coast and landed in Athens to avoid desecrating Shabbat.



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4. 6 expansions of the law – even tougher 5:21-48
 - a. Just be angry & curse – worse than murder!



It Gets Worse



Inconsistency

1. 'Jesus fulfilled the law' - so we ignore it - but what about v19 & 20 ??
2. Do we toss out the 10 commandments? No! But break Sabbath (not Sunday)
3. Quote OT verses about sexual morality, bad to get tattoos, but we love our pork chops



Inconsistency

4. The Law is honoured in the New Testament

“So then, the law is holy, and the commandment is holy, righteous and good.”

(Romans 7:12, NIV84)



Inconsistency

4. The Law is honoured in the New Testament

“We know that the law is spiritual; ...” (Romans 7:14, NIV84)

“For in my inner being I delight in God’s law;”
(Romans 7:22, NIV84)



Inconsistency

4. The Law is honoured in the New Testament

“Do we, then, nullify the law by this faith? Not at all! Rather, we uphold the law.” (Romans 3:31, NIV84)

“We know that the law is good if one uses it properly.” (1 Timothy 1:8, NIV84)



Inconsistency

4. The Law is honoured in the New Testament

“This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time, declares the Lord. I will put my laws in their minds and write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.” (Hebrews 8:10, NIV84)



Inconsistency

4. The Law is honoured in the New Testament

“For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.” (Hebrews 4:12, NIV84)



Inconsistency

4. The Law is honoured in the New Testament

Every quote about the Word of God by the Apostles and Jesus was the Old testament – was no New Testament

We barely read it. Certainly don't follow it!

Yet the Apostles held it in high esteem and Jesus said it is valid!





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Which definition is it?

All of them!



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Application

1. Focus – On Christ

- It is all about Christ – what He did – I am in Christ
- He fulfilled all the demands
- Romans Series - 1-11 – Done
- The Holy Spirit Series – He lives in me - walk in the Spirit - laws in my heart



Application

- 1. Focus On Christ**
- 2. Read Intelligently**
 - A. What does this teach me about God? (Especially how has the Messiah - Christ - fulfilled it?)**
 - B. What does this teach me about me and my brokenness and need of the Messiah? (Christ)**



Application

1. **Focus On Christ**
2. **Read Intelligently**
3. **Ask two 'simple' Questions**



Application

(Matthew 22:37–40, NIV84)

“Jesus replied: “

‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment.

And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’

All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.’”



Application

- 1. Focus On Christ**
- 2. Read Intelligently**
- 3. Ask two 'simple' Questions**
 - A. How is what I am doing/thinking/planning show my love for God with all my heart?**
 - B. How is what I am doing/thinking/planning show my love for others?**



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