

PREAMBLE

This literature is not meant for those that like to skim through scriptures but for those that dig deep into the Bible. For you to truly benefit from this discuss you must be ready and prepared to read, study and meditate on EVERY ONE of the scriptural verses contained therein. It is not for you to assume it but to read it yourself wherever they pop up. This literature is not a novel or just another good informational read but a digging deep kind of thing. If you do not generally like opening up the Bible to see what is written in it as listed this discuss will not benefit you maximally, please be advised. Acts 17:10-12.

INTRODUCTION

The scriptural understanding of the Law is one of the major areas in today's Christianity that is yet found in murky waters as concerning its relevance in this New Testament (N.T.) dispensation. It is not explicitly explained in relationship with Grace, at least. Thereby giving rise to all manner of varying doctrines derivable from the contradictions therein which form the foundation of the emergence of the different denominations of churches as organizations (CAO) as we have it today. Church dogmas are coined from the tenets of both the Law and grace, with no clear cut line differentiating the two. So what we have as organizational dogmas is a mixture of law and grace, which keeps men yet in ignorance and invariably in bondage, which ought not to be so. God does not allow for mixtures, for they are error ridden. It is either you are hot or cold, if you are lukewarm he would spue you out. **Rev. 3:15,16**

In this write up, by the grace of God, we would attempt to unravel the web and entanglement that has been spun around the Law, get to understand its roots and its relationship with God, Christ and Man as it were. How? When the Bible talks about the "law" in its books there is a need to be able to identify which "law" it is

referring to, in order to have a contextual understanding of what is being said, so that one does not slide again into the usual misunderstanding that is prevalent today.

There are three "laws" that you have to understand and distinguish from- the law of God, the Law of Moses and the law of Christ. But there is only one lawgiver above all, which is God, so the latter two laws, that of Moses and Christ, is as given by God unto them to Man, for Man's relationship and interaction with God here on earth. They are therefore derivatives of the Law of God according to the dispensation in which they are given and operated therein. Jam 4:12; Jn 1:17; Neh 10:29

By dictionary definition, a law is the whole system of rules that everyone in a country or society must obey. Scripturally, a law comprises of a collection of commandments, statutes, ordinances, judgments, percepts, etc. In this write up, the term "the Law" would be used in particular reference to the Law of Moses or Moses' Law generally, in order not to confuse it with the law of God and that of Christ, which has to do with Mercy and Grace. May the Lord grant that your eyes of understanding be opened as we progress in Jesus name. Amen.

THE THREE LAWS

Jam 4:12 There is one lawgiver (truly), who is able to save and to destroy:

Ps 19:7 The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul:

Until you are able to distinguish between the three laws as mentioned in our introduction- the law of God, the law of Christ and the Law of Moses, you would not be able to really decode the law talk in scriptures and you will always mix them up unto error in your understanding. But be it known that there is no law (or power) except that which is given, ordained or allowed by God that is in existence and operational in the heavens and on the earth as it were.

It is by law that the universe is ruled and kept in order, if not there would be anarchy and confusion in all the realms. The Word of God is law, by it the worlds came into being and are being upheld as it were. **Heb 1:2;**11:3 It is by law that God relates with all his creations, whether in heaven and/or on the earth. The law of God is supreme. We will differentiate the laws and by that differentiation bring to light the distinguishing factors therein.

THE LAW OF GOD

The attributes of God are used to define and identify His law. How? God is perfect, holy, just, good, pure, etc. So the law of God is holy, perfect and just as it were. The law of God is derivable from his word. God is a Spirit, so the law of God is spiritual and not carnal. **Rom 7:12,14; Ps 19:7**

The law of God is eternal, unchangeable and is sure for all generations, which has been, is, and shall be.

The law of God is made known and operated by the Spirit of God. It is for the spiritual being and not for the carnal man.

I Cor 2:14- But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God why? For they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them because they are spiritually discerned.

Rom 8:7- because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

Verse 8- So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

Heb. 11: 6- But without faith it is impossible to please him.

Jn 4:23- But the hour cometh and now is when the true worshippers shall worship the Father <u>in spirit and in truth</u>; for the Father seeketh such to worship him. Why?

Verse 24- God is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

STATEMENT: The law of God are of deep things and it is only by the Spirit of God that one can use/ be able to search them out. **I Cor 2:10**

I Cor 2:6-8- The law of God are mysterious to the carnal man. Why? Because you need the wisdom of God to decode it which he does not have rather he operates by the wisdom of this world which the prince of this world gives.

QUESTION: Where is the law of God found or written?

Heb 8:10- I will put my laws into their mind and write them in their hearts.

Rom 7:12,14- the law of God is spiritual. It is holy, just and good. It is not for the unholy or unjust or the evil.

By reason of the fact that the law of God is heavenly and spiritual, and Man was made carnal/earthly and sinful as a result of the fall, God had to ordain a earthly inclined law for relating/dealing with Man in that state as per the covenants that he established with him, until the time of reformation. Heb. 9:9-11. From this time, a new covenant and a new spiritually inclined law was to be made by which to operate it was given Jn. 1:17. Each covenant had a mediator by which God brought these laws unto Man. The mediator of the law for the old testament (O.T.) between God and the children of Israel (the Jews only) was the man, Moses, while the mediator of the law for the New Testament (N.T) which covers all mankind, is the man, Jesus Christ. Moses was from beneath, while Jesus is from above. Gal 3:19,20; Heb 9:14,15; Rom.8:1-4; Ezek. 20:21,25

The law of Moses was ordained by angels and given unto him in the Mount of Sinai, whereas the law of Christ was ordained by God the Father himself and given directly unto the Son from the throne of God in heaven, from where he came down to the earth. Jn 1:17,18; Jn 3:31,34; Gal. 3:19; Acts 7:38; Rev. 5:1,7

THE LAW OF MOSES

Heb 1:2 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets.

Exo 34:27- And the LORD said unto Moses, write thou these words; for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel

Verse 28- And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread nor drink water. And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant the Ten Commandments.

Deut 33:4 Moses commanded us a law

Moses was a type of Christ (a Messiah). He can be said to be a carnal earthly type of the heavenly Christ. Moses was a figure of Christ in the Old Testament that brought about the law by which God's covenant with Abraham and his natural seed was to be adhered to here on earth. Before the coming of the law by Moses, everyone did that which seemeth right in their own eyes amongst God's covenant people and according to the customs of the Egyptians from whence God had delivered them with a mighty deliverance. But God's covenant was for the making of an holy people, chosen to be a peculiar people unto himself, above all nations that are upon the earth, so they needed a law from God to make them different from all other nations and unique to the God of heaven only. Exo. 19:4-6; Deu 14:2; Ezek. 20:5-14

Moses was a deliverer, a savior, a law giver, a shepherd, a father, a prophet, the meekest man, a mediator on behalf of God in his relationship with the children of Israel as a shadow of the image to come. Num 12:3; Exo. 3:7-10; Exo. 4:15,16; Deu 18:15

The law of Moses encompasses the ten commandments and the rest of the carnal, ordinances that was given and practiced. It was a law given for men that were already in error, but not powerful enough to bring them out of the error. It was a law that was operated in the times of ignorance, shadow and darkness as it were. The light of the whole world had not yet come then. Moses' law was written on tablets of stone and given to men that had stony hearts and that were stiff necked. The very first set of tablets of the Commandments that Moses received, because of the trespass of the people, even before he presented it unto them; he smashed into pieces out of anger.

Moses, the servant of God, received the law from God by the disposition of angels on the mount, and that law had a commencement time and an expiry date attached to it. The law given to Moses was for a specific time period and for a specific purpose that it was meant to accomplish and after which it was to be discontinued and annulled. It was not ordained unto eternal life but for death to all that sinned therein.

Gal 3:17-19; 2Cor. 3:6-11; Ezek. 20:25

Heb 9:9- Which was a figure for the time then present.

Vr. 10- Which stood only in meats and drinks and divers washings and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation.

Gal 3:19- Till the seed should come to whom the promise was made.

Before this time of reformation (which was the time of the first Advent of Christ), the Law was a schoolmaster, a tutor, a governor over the children, who were yet like servants until it comes to an end, by reason of its fulfillment by the Son of Man from above, so that the sons of God might emerge from amongst men.

Gal 3:23-26; Gal 4:1-7; Rom 8:19

The Law of Moses was restricted to the Jews or the nation Israel just as every other nation of the world have their own national law, to which their citizens are subject to e.g. - the law of Persia and Medes for example.

Esth 1:19; Dan 6:8,12,15

It was only the Jews that were made subject to this Law; it was not an international nor universal Law as such as we may have now in modern times. The law given and was operated under the permissive will of God. It was not so from the beginning of creation when the perfect will of the law of God was at play. **Matt 19:8**.

Ezek. 20:24 - Because they had not executed my judgements but had despised my statutes and had polluted any sabbaths and their eyes were after their father's idols.

Vr. 25- Wherefore I gave them also statutes that were not good and judgements whereby they should not live;

It is the law that brought about the partition/segregation between Jews and Gentiles, Circumcised and Uncircumcised. **Eph 2:11-16-** The Jews were those bound to the Law while the Gentiles were those outside of the Law.

The Law of Moses is the law of God for the Old Covenant and those that were heirs of Abraham according to the flesh, who operate by it carnally minded. **Rom 9:8**. The Law is for the carnally minded and not for the spiritually minded man.

Acts 3:22 For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you. Vr. 23 And it shall come to pass that every soul which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people".

THE LAW OF CHRIST

Heb 1:2 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets. **Vr.2** Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

Gal 6:2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Jn 1:17 For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

The law of Christ is that of grace and truth. It is a law that is based on faith in Jesus Christ; for the Just shall live by faith. **Gal 3:11; Heb. 11:6; Rom. 8:8**

The law of Christ is the law governing the New Covenant that God has made with all those that shall call on Him through His Son Jesus Christ, whether they be Jews or Gentiles, Circumcised or Uncircumcised, people of all nations under the heavens. It is established on better promises unlike the one that God made with Moses on the mount. Heb 8:5-13

Heb 8:8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: Vr. 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 laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people: Vr. 12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

The law of Christ is the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus. It is for those that have been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb shed on the Cross of Calvary. It is for the New Man, born of water and of the Spirit. It is for those that worship God in spirit and in truth. Rom 8:2; Jn 4:23,24, Jn. 3:3,5

The law of Christ is the law of God for the New Covenant and those that are heirs of the New Testament are meant to operate by it. It is for those that live in the Spirit and also walk in the Spirit. It is a spiritual law for spiritual people and not for the carnally minded. **Gal 5:25**

Jn 7:16 My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me. Vr. 17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.

Mtt. 24: 35- Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away (like the law of Moses)

WHY THE LAW OF MOSES?

When God instituted the Old Covenant with Abraham and his seed based on the promise, there was no law made under which he was to operate it, though there were conditions upon which the promise was predicated but not as per a written law. Circumcision was the obvious token/seal of that covenant. The Covenant inheritance was made not according to a written law but according to promise. The Law was only introduced four hundred and thirty years after. **Gal 3:16-19** Why?

Gal 3:19 Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, (meaning?) Vr. 22 But the scripture hath concluded all under sin. Which scripture? "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God"- Rom 3:23. So the law is meant for those that have sinned, that is for sinners (those under sin)

Rom 5:12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men for that all have sinned. Vr. 13- For until the law sin was in the world; but sin is not imputed when there is no law.

The law came so that men might be made aware of or alive to sin and the guilt thereof, which they have been subject to all the while without knowing- Vr. 14 "nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses (without the law) even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression". (Death, now being given a legal backing by the Law, continued to reign from Moses even unto the coming of Christ). Rom 3:19,20; I Cor. 15:56

So by men's inability to fulfill all the tenets of the Law, through the arm of flesh, sin was legally (lawfully) imputed against men and the penalty thereof decreed by God was righteously so, which is death (without God being seen as rendering unjust punishment- Rom 3:4). Heb 2:2 "every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward". Ezek 18:20 "The soul that sinneth, it shall die".

Without the law in place, God as it were, could not legally hold any man guilty of having sinned. Why? For where there is no law, there is no sin technically speaking. How? because sin is a transgression (breaking) of the law. If there is no explicitly written and known law to break then there can be no sin. Rom 4:15; I Jn 3:4

(GNT) I Cor 15:56 The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. Death gets its power to hurt from sin and sin gets its power from the law.)

This is why the Law of Moses is called the law of sin and death-you sin, you die thereafter. Jam. 2:10-11

THE HOPELESSNESS OF THE LAW FOR THE N.T. TIMES

The Law is that of sin and death because by it every one that sinneth must die without exception-judgment without mercy. Heb 10:28. Under the Law, all have sinned and are under THE curse even as was pronounced from the time of the 1st Adam in Genesis three(3). Gal 3:10; Deu 27:26. Even the righteousness that cometh by the Law cannot justify any man before God- Gal 2:16. The Law has blessings and curses contained in it- Deu 28. But whichever way you go in the Law, whether you are found in the blessings or in the curses therein, the end product of the Law shall always result in death and captivity thereafter. Why? because the law ministers death and condemnation to those under it. 2Cor. 3:7,9.

Gal 3:21- The law could not give life by the righteousness obtainable from it.

Heb 7:19- for the law made nothing perfect. Heb 10:1. Spiritual perfection is not attainable even by the full observance of the Law

Gal 3:11- but that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for the Just shall live by faith.

Vr. 12- And the law is not of faith (but of works).

Rom 14:23 Whatsoever is not of faith is sin. So the just (righteous) that are meant to live by faith cannot therefore live by the law since it is not of faith but of works.

Rom 3:20- for by the law is the knowledge of sin (and the blood sacrifices of goats and bulls, according to the Law requirements, could not purge the conscience of men from the guilt of sin nor make such an one perfect by giving him a clear conscience devoid of dead works, as it were. But by it there is a continual remembrance of transgression every time the sacrifices are offered to God thereby keeping men under condemnation. Heb 10:1-8

2 Cor 3:7,9 the Law is of the ministration of death and condemnation. Rom 5:18

2 Cor 3:6,14,15 the Law is of the letter that killeth; where the letter is operational, there is blindness and bondage therein.

Rom 7:5,6 the Law is operated by the old Man according to the letter.

Rom 8:1- The Law of Moses was for those that are born of the flesh, who walk after the flesh and are under the condemnation of sinful flesh.

Rom 7:14- It was for those that are carnal and sold under sin. Rom 4:15- the Law worketh wrath

I Tim 1:9- the law is not made for a righteous man but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for the unholy and profane...and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;

Eph 2:15- it is the law that established the enmity/segregation between the Jews and the Gentiles; the Circumcised and the Uncircumcised. **Gal 3:28**

Rom 4:13,14- our becoming heirs of God/ heirs of salvation is not according to the law. There is no hope of eternal salvation found in the Law but that of damnation instead.

Gal 3:10,13 Those that are under the Law are under THE curse and therefore under bondage. They have need for deliverance/redemption, as it were. Rom 7:6,15

Rom 2:20- What is found in the law is a form of knowledge and truth (a shadow)

Gal 5:18- If ye are led of the Spirit, ye are not under the Law (but if ye are led of the flesh, ye are under the law)

Heb 7:18,19- The law was weak and unprofitable in dealing once and for all with sin in our flesh and could make no one perfect thereof. By the Law, sin had the upper hand over us. Rom 8:3

Rom 5:20,21- By/with the law, offences/sin abounds and reigneth over men unto death.

Rom 7:8,9- Sin will always, by the law, work all manner of covetous desires/lusts in those that are found under it (the law) unto death; Sin comes alive under the law and is very active.

THE LAW-ITS FULFILLMENT AND END

As has been previously stated, it was not on the premise of the Law of Moses that the Old Covenant was established by God with Abraham and his seed, but rather it was based on the Promise that was to be actualized through having faith in the seed of promise. **Gal 3:16-19**

Before the spiritual seed, Christ came with the promise of the spiritual kingdom, the natural seed, Isaac was in place and the physical kingdom, the promised land of Israel, had to be dealt with. This was only but a shadow of the real thing, with the image yet to come. When the image came, the shadow had to give way. While the shadow existed, the Law was operational. Why?

The law was introduced by God so that men would be made aware that 'all have sinned and come short of the glory of God" and that is why they were experiencing sin and death. Also that they have need of a Savior in the person of Jesus Christ through whom their sins can be removed in order for the glory of God to be restored to man as it were. So that they can enter into life thereby and no longer remain in death. Rom 3:24,25; Gal 3:22,24

The power and bondage of sin and death over men's life had to be dealt with and broken; so that they can be free to serve God without such fear, but rather in holiness and righteousness all the days of their lives.

Heb 2:14,15 It was the Law that gave sin and death its power over us and it needed to be taken out of the way, if not we would have been without hope and God in this world. For this to happen, God had to set aside the Old Covenant terms as operated according to the Law and its works, which was not according to faith, and bring into force the New Covenant according to grace and truth through the faith of the spiritual seed of Abraham, Jesus Christ. Abraham operated the Old Covenant by faith since there was no written law in place as at then, while from Moses it was operated by law unto bondage, but the seed of promise coming by the power of an endless life brought the New Covenant for us to operate by the faith of Jesus Christ in grace and truth unto liberty. Gal 3:24-26,29

Heb 8:7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second. Vr. 8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: Vr. 9 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regard them not, saith the Lord. Vr. 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 laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people. Vr. 13 In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

Heb 10:9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

The transition plan from the Old Testament to the New Testament was prophesied by Moses, himself in **Deu 18:15** "The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken; **Vr. 19** And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him". It was put into motion by the coming of John the Baptist, the last of the Old Testament prophets, and actualized by the advent of Christ on the earth. **Mk 1:1-3**; **Jn 1:29-34**. The transition era ended on the cross by the crucifixion and death of our Lord Jesus therein. The New Testament came into force from the resurrection and glorification of Jesus Christ, by the coming of the Holy Ghost.

God sent His Son to come in the flesh so that he could deal with sin in the flesh by fulfilling the requirement of the Law that sustained the power of sin in the flesh, thereby abolishing that Law and translating us into the Law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus.

Those that yet operate under the Law are still under bondage, operating under the shadows and are still to be held under the power of death at their demise from the earth. It is only those that operate under the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus that have been delivered and operate under the power of an endless life and shall inherit everlasting life hereafter. **2Cor. 3:12,13; Eph 2:15,16; 2Tim 1:9,10**

QN: What can we liken the fulfillment and end of the Law to? For example, before a student of a university can graduate, he has to complete and pass all his coursework/exams, seminars and project in fulfillment of the requirements for the Bachelor's degree that is to be awarded to him on the convocation day. After having received his degree certificate, that is the proof that he has fulfilled the school's requirement for graduation.

From thence he does not go back to the classroom to continue studying for that same degree again, rather he passes out into the job market or go on for further studies for a different degree. Similarly, the Law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, by whose death we have fulfilled the Law's demand for us to be set free (to graduate/be delivered) from THE curse never to go back to its bondage again as long as we have obtained the Born Again graduation certificate and we walk from thence in/after the Spirit. Your redemption by Christ from under the law is your graduation from its bondage unto his liberty, as it were.

Gal 3:13,14,23-27; Gal 4:1-7,9; Rom 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone that believeth.

THE NEED FOR DELIVERANCE FROM THE LAW

The righteousness obtainable by the works of the law cannot justify or make anyone truly righteous before God. Christ came to deliver us from THE curse of the Law, never to go back to it by our not having to operate under the Law again. Without the law sin is dead. **Rom 7:6,8** If you are still operating under the law according to the Law, sin would always have rule over you, knowingly or unknowingly to you. Do not deceive yourself by thinking otherwise.

Rom 7:1-6.

Vr. 6- but now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit and not in the oldness of the letter.

This happens when you become dead to the law by the body of Christ. Rom 7:4

Gal 3:13 Christ hath redeemed us from THE curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

STATEMENT: If you are delivered from the law then that translates to deliverance from sin; and if you are delivered from sin that translates to deliverance from death's captivity at the end.

Law -Sin- Death. The vicious circle of bondage.

I Cor 15,56- the sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.

It is through dying to the Law unto Christ that you get freed from the hold of sin and death. If you are yet under the Law, then you are still under this hold.

Why do you use your hand to go back to be entangled with that from which you have been delivered from? Ignorance is a destroyer; get understanding and wisdom that ye may remain free in Christ Jesus. Il Cor 3:13-17 (Vr. 15 But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart. Vr. 16 Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away. Vr. 17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.) We as Gentiles were never under the Law, then why is it now as N.T so called spiritual Jews do we submit/subject ourselves to the bondage of the Law? This is unfortunate as it were because of the ignorance imposed on us by the CAO which have erroneously termed us Gentile Christians as spiritual Jews in order to subtly keep us operating the carnal law of Moses meant for the natural Jews only unto sin and death still.

It is under the Law that you obtain the commandment and ordinance as contained in the 10 commandments which says as in **Exo 20:5** For I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, <u>visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon</u> the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me. (Generational curses, the sins of the fathers) But if you are truly in Christ this condemnation has been lifted by reason of the change in the Law prophesied in Ezek 18:20 and fulfilled in Christ Jesus. **Ezek 18:20** The soul that sinneth, it shall die. <u>The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the sons</u>: the righteous shall be upon him and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.

Rom 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh (according to the law of sin and death) but after the Spirit (according to the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus)

Unfortunately, many still by the preaching of the various church denominations, are made to be operating a mixture of these two laws unto captivity again by the enemy, because the LORD says he will spue you out if you operate thus (Rev 3:15,16) and they keep on carrying their members through countless, unending deliverance programs and vigils that never seem to deliver them completely. You may keep on wondering what is wrong and what is happening. Wonder no more you are operating a mixture that is of error and you know not any better, but now you know. Therefore seek to come out of it NOW! it is by grace that you are saved and not by the law. Eph. 2:5,8

THE LAW OF MOSES VERSUS THE LAW OF CHRIST

The Law of Moses is also called the law of sin and death, while the law of Christ is called the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus, it is of Grace and Truth. We would look at some major differences between the two:

God is a Spirit, so the law of Christ is for those that are in spirit and in truth, who are the true worshippers. It is for those that are spiritual, who live in the Spirit and walk after the Spirit, those that operate under the righteousness of Christ purchased by his shed blood on the cross. While the Law of Moses is for those that are carnal, sold under sin. It is for those that are carnally minded. Jn 4:23,24; Rom 7:14

Eternal life is only obtainable for those that are under the law of Christ, not that of Moses. Why? Because there is no provision in the Law by which eternal life could be given or obtained through its righteousness. Gal 3:21,22. rather it is long life (threescore and ten years) that is promised after which you are no more. Ps. 90:10

The Law of Christ is for those that have the promise of eternal life and live by the righteousness of God. It is ordained unto life and there is no death found within it except the Law of Moses which is of sin and death. The soul that sinneth, it shall die **Ezek 18:4**; **Rom 7:10**.

Rom 8:1- The law of God for those that are in Christ Jesus who no longer walk after the flesh (according to the Law), but after the Spirit, is the law of Christ. There is no condemnation found in it but rather condemnation is found in the Law of Moses.

Rom 8:5-8- The Law of Moses is for those that walk after the flesh and who mind the things of the flesh. Such cannot please God. Why? Because operating by the carnal mind, they are at enmity with God and cannot be subject to the law of God as operated by the Spirit of Christ.

There is the Law of God for those that are in Christ Jesus and there is the law of God for those that are in or walk after Moses. The two are different having different promises and are meant to be kept separate and not operated by the N.T- Saint as a mixture unto bondage again as it were. Jn. 9: 27-29; Mtt. 23:2

STATEMENT: For you to be able to meet up or fulfill the righteousness of the law you have to become spiritual no longer walking after the flesh but after the Spirit. And there is no way you can walk after the Spirit without receiving of that Spirit which Christ giveth to those that truly believe, through the Holy Ghost baptism and of fire. Matt. 3: 11; Jn. 1:12,13

Rom 8:9 "Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his". Christ being in you actually means your having received the Spirit of Christ in baptism not just by mere mouth confession of him as Lord while answering an alter call. Confession is but the "saying" aspect, while Spirit baptism is the "doing" aspect of the process. You have to partake of the complete process for you to truly be in Christ.

The Law of Moses was given to him by God, ordained by angels, for a definite time span and for a specific purpose, after which it was meant to expire, be abolished and give way to the law of Christ. The Law of Moses was operated under the permissive will of God and was meant to be done away with when the law of the perfect will of God is revealed, which law is found in Christ Jesus. When the perfect comes the imperfect must give way. When the Spirit comes the flesh must bow and be made subject to it. Perfection comes only by operating by the Spirit and not by the flesh as it were. **1Cor. 13:10,11**

Jesus Christ summarized all the law and the prophets as thus **Matt 7:12**, but the law of Christ goes far beyond this unto eternal things and life and not just earthly mundane relationship but unto heavenly fellowship also as it were.

The Law is of the letter, while that of Christ is of the Spirit. II Cor. 3:6; Rom 7:6

The Law is a ministration of death and condemnation, while that of Christ is ministration of the Spirit and righteousness. Il Cor. 3:7-9

Moses, the servant of God, received the Law from God by the disposition of angels on the mount on earth, while Christ received his from the throne of the God himself in heaven.

The Law that God gave to Moses had a commencement time and an expiry date attached to it, it is temporal and earthly, while that of Christ is eternal. Gal 3:17,24,25; Mtt. 5:18; Mtt. 24:34,35

The promises contained in the Law is only as pertaining to earthly, physical blessings that expire here on earth, while that of Christ transcends beyond the physical blessings in this present world, but covers primarily spiritual blessings on earth and also in the world to come everlasting life. Mtt 19:26-29; I Cor. 15:19; Eph 1:3

Gal 3:21- The Law of Moses can not give life by the righteousness obtainable from it, but that of Christ does, for the Spirit is life because of righteousness. **Rom 8:10**

Heb 7:19- for the Law made nothing perfect. Perfection is only found in the Spirit of Christ. Mtt 19:16-21

Gal 3:12- And the law is not of faith, but that of Christ is. And God requires the Just to live by faith. Rom 14:23; Rom 1:17; Eph 2:8,9

The law of God in Christ Jesus is for all creation (whether they be Jews or Gentiles) whereas the Law of Moses is strictly for the natural (flesh born) Jews and it excludes the Gentiles entirely. It is not even for the Spiritual Jews of which the Gentile Christians have become in Christ Jesus as we are erroneously termed by the CAO. Gentile Christians were never called spiritual Jews in the Bible. It is an error of terminology crafted by the CAO as usual.

The Law of Moses was meant for the operation of an earthly promised land (or kingdom of this world - Canaan land) but the Law of Christ enables you to operate the kingdom of God within you here on earth as a prelude to your operating it in the world to come as it were. **Exo. 6:4**; Mtt. 13:38,43;

Lk 17:20-21

The Law of Moses was meant for the operation of the shadow on earth, while the law of Christ is the only way that you can operate the kingdom of God as an image which have come to dwell within you while you are here on earth. The Law of Moses expires here on earth, the words of Christ endureth forever and ever. Mtt. 5: 17; Mtt. 24:34,35

Moses' law was written on tablets of stone and given to men that had stony hearts but Christ words are given to men whose stony heart have been taken away and replaced with a heart of flesh so that God can write his laws therein and no longer on external tables of stones. God is a Spirit and by His Spirit He writes his laws on our hearts. Heb 8:10; II Cor 3:3; Ezek 11:19

CONCLUSION

Moses law was not meant to last forever but had a terminal or expiry date right from when it commenced or was introduced. For it has served its purpose of tutelage and guardianship of you as a child, now it is meant to give way for the law of the Spirit to guide and lead you from thence as a son- Rom 8:14. The way that God wants us presently to operate His laws is by Grace and not by the Law of Moses. The law of God in Christ does not and cannot pass away but the Law of Moses can and does with the heaven and the earth eventually and with the people that still operate it till the last day. When a Law is fulfilled it has to give way to the one that is yet to be fulfilled and is current pending to the same last day. That which is fulfilled and cannot be the future prophetic utterance requiring fulfillment again. It is in the past and can only form a basis for faith, at best, concerning that which you hope for that is yet to come to pass.

When one is not able to distinguish and understand the difference between the law of Christ and the Law of Moses then you would think (believe) that Christ came to destroy the Law and the prophets, rather he came to fulfill them. And whenever a thing is fulfilled it expires and is of no effect thereafter. It is given to pass away.

Mtt 5:17,18; Mtt 24:35

Christ is greater than Moses, therefore Moses law had to be set aside for his superior law to take over and continue till the end. They two cannot be operated at the same time; one has to give way to the order. They two are not meant to be operated as a mixture, as men in the church as an organization (CAO) do today, selecting from the Law those portions that seem to suit their agenda and adding it to Grace in order to formulate their doctrines cum commandments (this forms the platform for establishing the various churches that we have today, everyone with his own doctrine doctored in such a manner as to seem different from the other church but all still a mixture as it were). By application of this mixture, they make of none effect the pure commandments of God as ought to be practiced in grace and truth. You either operate with God strictly by Grace or by the Law, no mixture is allowed, if not your captivity continues in another fashion as it were. Mk 7:1-13; Rev 3:15,16

The true sons of God are not led by the Law of Moses rather it is children of this world that are yet under bondage that are. The sons of God are rather led by the law of the Spirit in Christ Jesus. **Gal 4:1-7; Rom 8:14**

The law of Moses covers the Old Testament era and the words of Christ is for the New Testament era. Each covenant, the old and the new, have their own laws governing them and they are different. **Heb 8:13**

When you are under the Law, sin is your master but when you are under grace, Christ's righteousness is your master. **Rom 6:14**

QUESTION: Which one do you prefer? Then why do you submit yourself willingly back to the law? Why do you want to tangle/play with the law? If you are playing with the law then you invariably are saying you want to play small with sin. Why? Because he that submits himself to the law must walk by the law and fulfill all the commandments therein for him to be justified, which still does not justify you ultimately thereof. For the scripture says in

Gal 2:16- For by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified. Rom 3:20.

Rom 3:24- But we are justified freely by His grace

Rom 4:15- the law worketh wrath; where there is no law, there is no transgression.

Those that prefer to operate by the Law are those that say, in their own fleshly understanding, that no one can be perfect/holy, contrary to Christ injunction to us in **Mtt 5:48; Eph 1:4**. So they prefer to walk after the flesh by the Law rather than after the Spirit by grace and truth. Why? Because they are still born once of the flesh and not truly twice of the Spirit. **Jn 3:6**

Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes. He has redeemed you from the curse of the Law that you go back not into its bondage again. Rom 10:4; Gal 3:13

For those that continue to operate under the Law and by the Law, just as the righteousness of the Pharisees were based on the Law, so shall your own righteousness be. And if your righteousness exceedeth not their righteousness therein then you cannot enter into the Kingdom of heaven. Mtt 5:20 Be warned!!!!

The law of Moses is not for those that are born into the Kingdom of God at the new birth. You cannot operate the kingdom of God in you by it, that is, if you have the kingdom of God dwelling on the inside of you anyway. Be not entangled in it but separate yourself from its hold, Now!!

The Law was made for the unrighteous, while grace and truth (the Law of Christ) is made for the righteous. Which one are you living by strictly?

Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things - 2Tim. 2:7



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