



“Understanding the Law and Christ”

A Look at Luke

Luke 5:36-39

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“The days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel...” Jeremiah 31:31

The establishment of the New Covenant brings to us:

- NEW Life (2 Corinthians 5:17)
- ABUNDANT Life (John 10:10)
- ETERNAL Life (John 3:16)

Why we do not have to follow the Law under the New Covenant:

1. The Law is FOUNDATIONAL to the Old Covenant.
Jeremiah 31:31-32b, Luke 22:20, Hebrews 8:6-8, 13

2. The Law was FULFILLED through Christ.
Matthew 5:17, Romans 10:4, John 19:30, Romans 3:22

3. The Law was the FORESHADOW of Christ.
1 Corinthians 10:4, Colossians 2:16-17, Galatians 5:1

4. The Bible provides examples of our FREEDOM from the Law. Mark 7:18-19, Acts 10:9-16, 1 Peter 2:9, Acts 16:2-3, Galatians 2:3, 5:6, Acts 15:1, 19

*“For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.”
Romans 15:4*

Question to Consider:

- Can I confidently refute the idea that I must obey portions of the Law as a follower of Christ?
- Do I live in Christ’s freedom or do I feel bound to legalistic obligations?
- Have I, in any way, made following Christ difficult for myself or anyone else?
- Do I spend more energy on “doing” things for Christ rather than on “being” who Christ has called me to be?

What is the Holy Spirit prompting me to do?
