

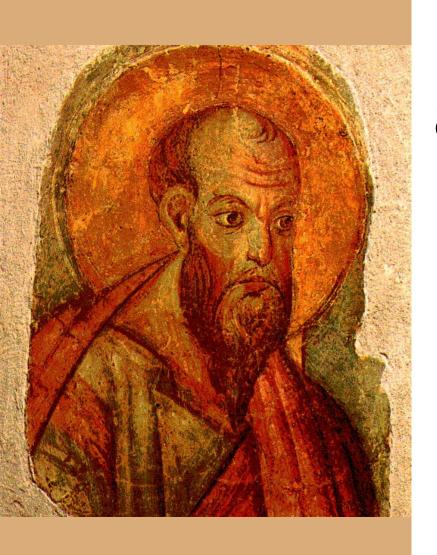
### Paul, His Life and Teachings

### Paul's Theology The Law

Lesson 21

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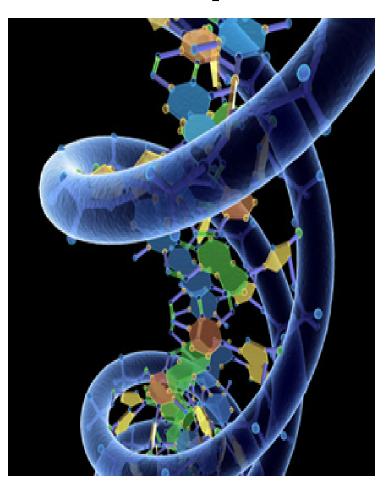
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Paul's Theology
The Law





### The Law is Complex!



...and the **power of sin** is the law - 1 Cor 15:56

All who rely on observing the law are under a curse, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law." *Gal 3:10* 

...we were held prisoners by the law *Gal 3:23* 

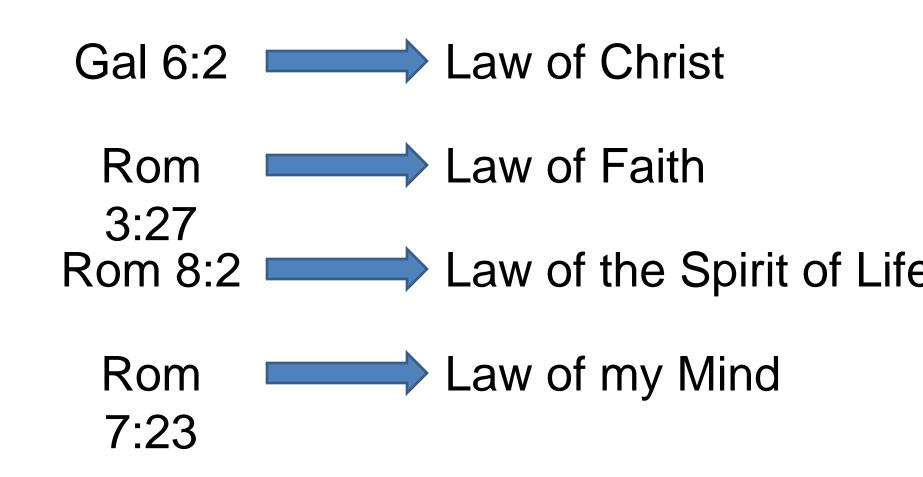
... law brings wrath - Rom 4:15

So then, the law is holy - Rom 7:12

We know that the law is good 1 Tim 1:8

#### Did Paul Like the Law...or Not?

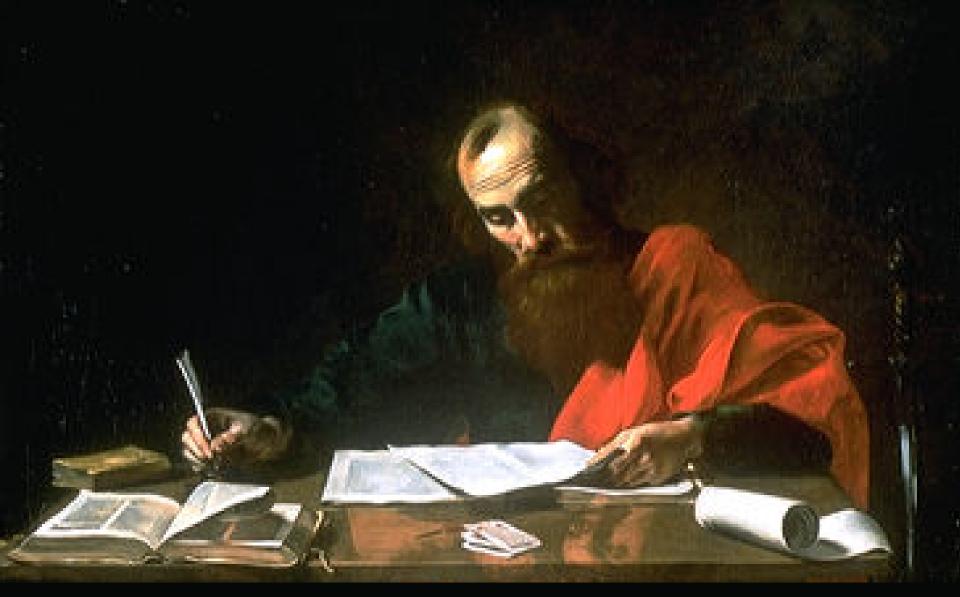
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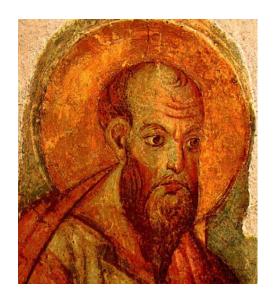






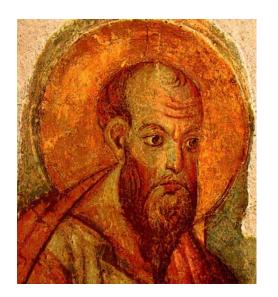


Nomos (the law) used 121 times in 6 of Paul's 13 letters



# What Is the Law?





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Of Paul's 121 uses, 106 are in Romans & Galatians



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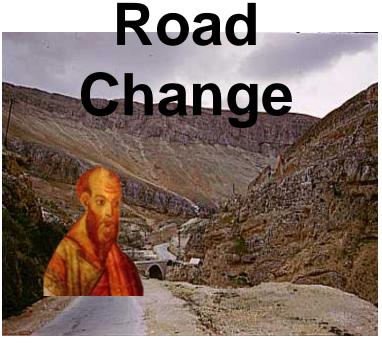
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### ...what counts is a new creation – Gal 6:15



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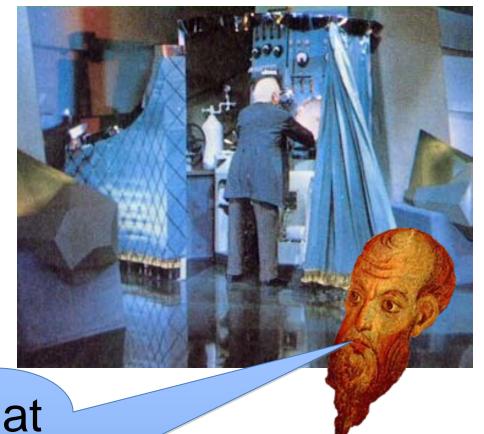
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I consider everything a loss compared to ...knowing Christ Jesus my Lord ...I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ. Phil 3:8

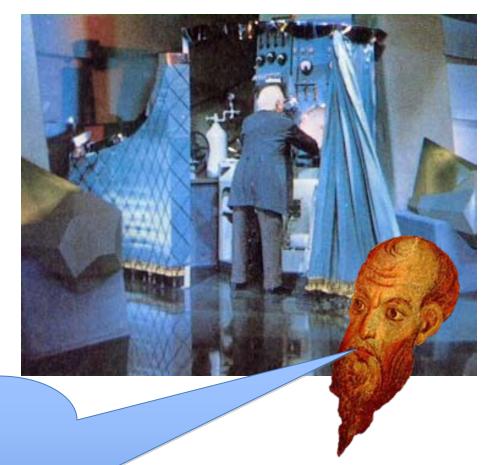
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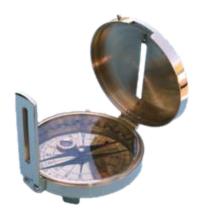


"How is it then, that you force Gentiles to follow Jewish customs?"

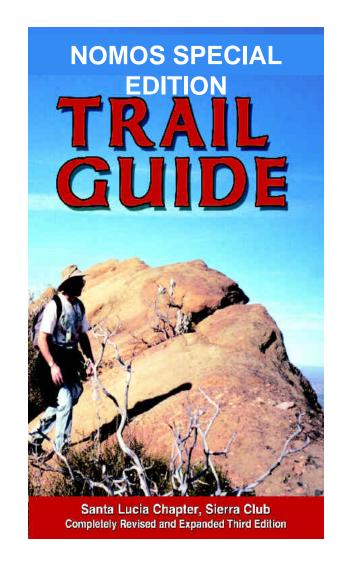
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"A man is not justified by observing the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ"





So the law was put in charge to lead us to Christ that we might be justified by faith. Gal 3:24



#### Romans



#### An Analogy about the Law

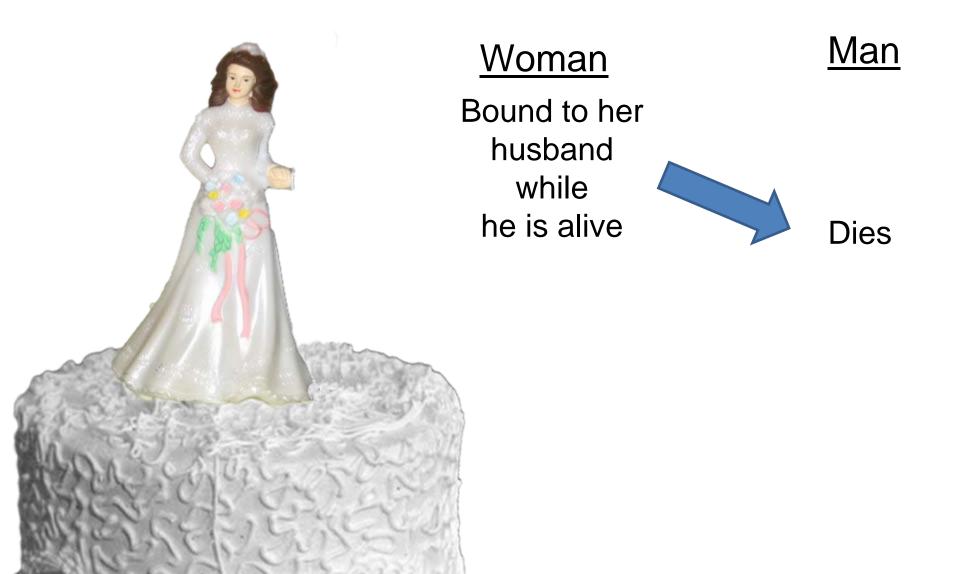


**Woman** 

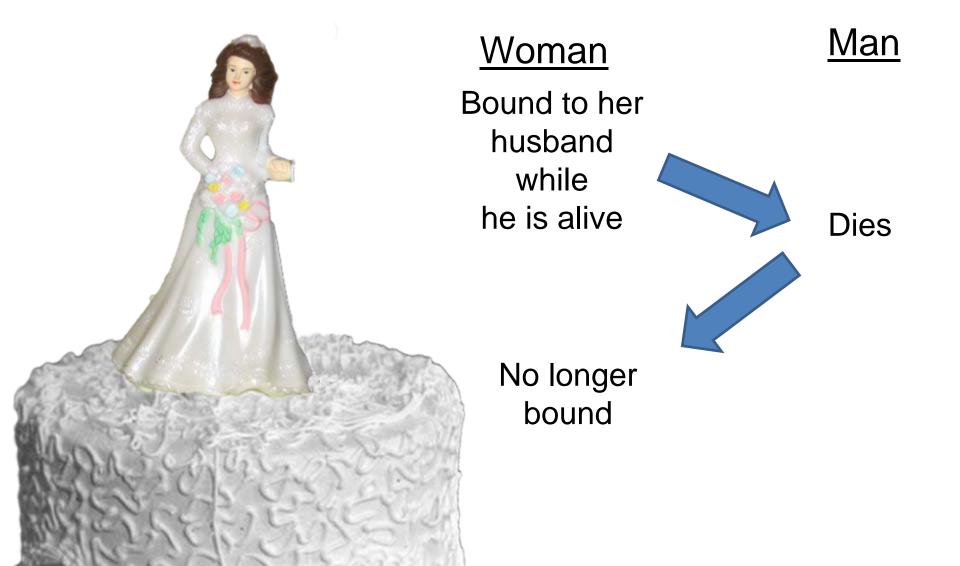
Bound to her husband while he is alive

Man

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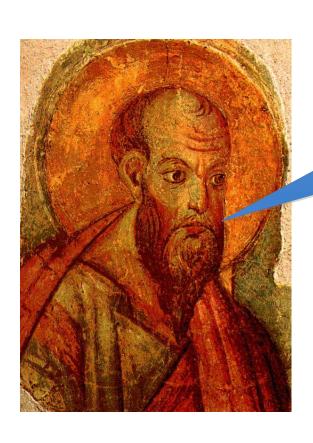


### The Internal Dilemma

"I see another law at work in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind."



#### The Internal Dilemma



"Who will rescue me from this body of death?"

#### The Internal Dilemma



"Thanks be to God—through Jesus Christ our Lord!"

#### No Condemnation

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law was powerless to do in that it was weakened by the sinful nature, God did



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by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful man to be a *sin offering*. And so he condemned sin in sinful man, in order that the *righteous* requirements of the law might be *fully met* in us, who do not live according to our sinful nature but according to the Spirit. – Rom 8:1-4





# Points for Home



I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him...



## Points for Home



Jesus is your rescue from a body of death and the war within!



# Points for Home



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