



THE BOOK OF

GALATIANS

FREEDOM THROUGH CHRIST

Why Then The Law?

GALATIANS 3:15-26

November 5, 2023

If you've been following along with our study of the book of Galatians, you will have noticed a common theme the past couple of weeks. Paul has been painting a clear picture of the true gospel. He has challenged the thinking of anyone who is trying to add to this gospel. Now he answers a question which may have crossed your mind. Why then do we have the law? Today we'll look at the three uses of the Law and how these help us understand the Law.



**WAYPOINT
CHURCH**

Know Where You're Going.

Order Of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

From Isaiah 35

Leader: *Be strong, and do not fear! Your God will come to save you.*

All: *Then will the eyes of the blind be opened and the ears of the deaf be unstopped. Then will the lame leap like a deer, and the mute tongue shout for joy.*

Leader: *Then will the wilderness rejoice and blossom. Like the flower in springtime, it will burst into bloom; it will rejoice and shout for joy.*

All: *And we, the ransomed of the Lord, will enter with singing. Everlasting joy will crown our heads.*

Leader: *Open your eyes and see now the glory of the Lord, and the splendor of our God.*

Songs of Praise

This Is My Father's World

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

Offering

Confession of Sin

Lord God Almighty,

*You have taught us the necessity of a mediator, a messiah, to be embraced in love with all our hearts,
as king to rule us,
as prophet to teach us,
as priest to take away sin and death,*

and all this by faith in Your beloved Son who teaches us

*not to guide ourselves
not to obey ourselves,
not to try to rule and conquer sin,*

but to cleave to the one who will do it all for us. You have made known to us that to save us is Christ's work, but to cleave to Him by faith is our work, and with this faith is the necessity of daily repentance as a mourning for the sin which Christ by grace has removed. Help us to walk in faith and to live by faith through your gift of faith. Keep us, for we cannot keep ourselves. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

From Ephesians 2:13-22

Song of Declaration

Cornerstone

Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism #60

Q. How are you righteous before God?

A. Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments, of never having kept any of them, and of still being inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without any merit of my own, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, and as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is accept this gift with a believing heart.

Pastoral Prayer

Children's Message

Sermon

Why Then The Law?

Galatians 3:15-26

Pastor James Brignac

Communion

Song of Response

Jesus Messiah

Benediction

Sermon Notes

Introduction

The power of the gospel is the word of God...nobody needs the gospel if there's no judgment or law, if God is not a God of judgment. If there is no such thing as hell, what good is the gospel? – R.C. Sproul

Mirror

What two things does the law reflect?

Exodus 20

Leviticus 11:44-45

What does the law reveal about God?

Deuteronomy 27-28

The law was given in order to make transgressions obvious, and in this way to compel men to acknowledge their guilt. – John Calvin

What is the potential negative response to the law?

I don't reach out for a savior unless I am first convinced that I have a need of a savior. – R.C. Sproul

Restraint

What is impossible with the law?

The law can prove that we are sinners, but it cannot make us right with God. - Philip Ryken

What is the second use of the law?

How does the covenant of works relate to our passage today?

Genesis 2:16-17

Romans 5:19

Guide

How should we view the 10 commandments?

What is the relationship between the law and sanctification?

What is the key about the law we find in Galatians 3:23-24?

Announcements

HABAKKUK

LEARNING TO LIVE BY FAITH

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Every other Wed. at 6 PM
Led by Kasey Bushman

nikki's
treat
boutique

Cookie Decorating Class
November 15 at 6:00 PM
RSVP with Bessie Lambert

CASKET EMPTY

God's Plan of Redemption Through History

The Story of the
Bible Simply Explained
with Jesus at its Center

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Every other Tuesday at 7:00 PM
Led by Matt Kodatt

PHILIPPIANS

THE JOY OF A CHRISTIAN AND THE POWER OF GOD

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Every Wednesday at 10 AM
Led by Steve Jacques

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SHOEBOX!

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Collection date November 19

GENESIS

IN THE BEGINNING, GOD

Every other Wed. at 10:00 AM
Led by Eloise Hill

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Sundays at 6:30 PM
At Waypoint Church

SMALL GROUPS

Multiple groups are available.
Contact Pastor James to get
connected

Discussion Questions

1. Do you struggle with how good works fit into the message of the gospel?
2. Do you find it easier to focus on God's holiness or your own sinfulness?
3. What is your typical response when thinking about the law highlighting our sin?
4. Read Romans 5:18-21. How does the law help us understand the gospel more fully?
5. Who or what has had the greatest impact on your sanctification (growing more in godliness and dying more to sin)?
6. Do you believe most would say keeping the 10 commandments is easy? Why or why not?