

Distracted by Law

Series: Distracted (message 3) **Date:** November 21/22, 2020

Intro

1 Timothy 1:8-16

I. THE LAW IS GOOD WHEN USED RIGHT.

- Galatians 3:19; 23–26
- Matthew 5:17
- 1 Corinthians 10:6

II. THE LAW IS USED TO CONVICT PEOPLE OF THEIR NEED.

- Matthew 5:21–22

III. THERE IS HOPE FOR ALL CONVICTED.

sermon discussion

RECAP THE PASSAGE & SERMON

Read 1 Timothy 1:8-16. Spend some time discussing the passage. What stood out or what did you notice? What questions did you have? **Next**, discuss the sermon from the weekend. Was there anything new that you learned, anything that confused you or anything that stood out?

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Do laws ever control behavior that is not evil? What about speed limits? Fire codes? If you were running the world, what kinds of laws, if any, would you enforce?
2. In your life, why do you think you gravitate more towards law or license?
3. Read 1 Timothy 1:8-11. According to Paul, what does it mean to use the Law in a lawful manner (see also Galatians 3:19-25; Romans 7:7, 12)? Furthermore, how had these false teachers incorrectly used the Law?
4. If people such as those in vss. 9-10 didn't exist, would the Law still be necessary? Why?
5. How does the Law point us to our need for Christ?
6. What are some ways you would know if you were falling into legalism or using the Law incorrectly? Do you recognize any of those characteristics in your life?
7. What is the connection between sound doctrine and godly living? Is it possible to have the latter without the former?

PRAYER

MEMORIZE SCRIPTURE

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.” **Matthew 5:17**