

NO LONGER BOUND BY LAW

Matthew 5:17 Don't misunderstand why I have come. I did not come to abolish the law of Moses or the writings of the prophets. No, I came to accomplish their purpose.

Romans 7:1-3 Now, dear brothers and sisters - you who are familiar with the law - don't you know that the law applies only while a person is living?

2 For example, when a woman marries, the law binds her to her husband as long as he is alive. But if he dies, the laws of marriage no longer apply to her.

3 So while her husband is alive, she would be committing adultery if she married another man. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law and does not commit adultery when she remarries.

Antinomianism - the belief that we are free not only from biblical law, church-prescribed behavioral norms, but also moral law.

Romans 7:4-6 So, my dear brothers and sisters, this is the point: You died to the power of the law when you died with Christ. And now you are united with the one who was raised from the dead. As a result, we can produce a harvest of good deeds for God.

5 When we were controlled by our old nature, sinful desires were at work within us, and the law aroused these evil desires that produced a harvest of sinful deeds, resulting in death.

6 But now we have been released from the law, for we died to it and are no longer captive to its power. Now we can serve God, not in the old way of obeying the letter of the law, but in the new way of living in the Spirit.

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IT IS NOT THE LAW THAT DIES, IT'S THE BELIEVER

Galatians 4:4 God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law.

Galatians 2:19 For when I tried to keep the law, it condemned me. **So I died** to the law - I stopped trying to meet all its requirements - so that I might live for God.

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