



PLAYMAKERS IN THE FAITH

LAW OF MOSES

LAW OF CHRIST

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As Christians today, what Law are we under?



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COMMANDMENTS OF JESUS



19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Matthew 28:19-20 KJV

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17 **Think not** that **I am come to destroy the law**, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, **but to fulfil**.

18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, **till all be fulfilled**.

19 Whosoever therefore shall break **one of these** **least commandments**, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: **but whosoever shall do and teach them**, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

20 For I say unto you, That **except your righteousness shall exceed** the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:17-20 KJV

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What “fulfilled” means in the biblical context

Completion / Bringing to its intended goal

Jesus perfectly obeyed every commandment of the Law (Hebrews 4:15 – “without sin”).

He completed the purpose the Law pointed toward – showing God’s holiness and pointing to the Messiah.

Fulfilling Messianic prophecies

Many aspects of the Law foreshadowed Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection (Luke 24:44 – “Everything written about Me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms must be fulfilled”).

Bringing in the New Covenant

His death satisfied the sacrificial system the Law required (Hebrews 10:1–14).

The ceremonial and sacrificial parts of the Law reached their conclusion in Christ.

Ceremonial and civil laws specific to Israel (animal sacrifices, temple rituals, dietary laws) were fulfilled in Christ and are no longer binding (Colossians 2:16–17).

Summary:

Jesus fulfilled the Law by perfectly obeying it, completing its purpose, and fulfilling its prophecies (There are still some prophecies that are not fulfilled yet) – Jesus made corrections and changes to the law so people can obey it the way it was originally intended to.

Υ. universally and absolutely, **to fulfil**, i. e. "to cause God's will (as made known in the law) to be obeyed as it should be, and God's promises (given through the prophets) to receive fulfilment": [Matthew 5:17](#); cf. Weiss, Das Matthäusevang. as above with, p. 146f (Compare: ἀναπληρώω, ἀνταναπληρώω, προσαναπληρώω, ἐκπληρώω, συμπληρώω.)

MATTHEW 5:17-18

SCRIPTURE REVIEW

- Jesus did not want people to think that he was doing away with the Law or commandments because **He made corrections and changes**. Jesus came to **complete it** and made **changes** to the Law.

- Moses prophesied that God would send a Prophet and put His words into His mouth. **He will tell them everything that He commanded.**

- 12 For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a **change also of the law**.
Hebrews 7:12 KJV

- 18 I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will **put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.**
Deuteronomy 18:18 KJV

MATTHEW 5:19

SCRIPTURE REVIEW

- Some people refer to this verse as Jesus talking about the Mosaic Law that was given in past tense. This is incorrect because **grammatically**, Jesus is referring to the commandments that He is about to give after this statement.

If Jesus was referring to the Mosaic Law the statement would have read, "Whosoever therefore shall break one of THOSE least commandments." **Those** is referring to **past tense** something that has already been given or is distant. "THESE," is referring to something that is about to be given.

2. DETERMINER

You use **these** to introduce people or things that you are going to talk about.

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MATTHEW 5:19

SCRIPTURE REVIEW

Table Summarising the Difference between These and Those

	These	Those
Meaning	The word ‘these’ is used to denote more than one object that is near to the speaker.	The word ‘those’ is used to denote more than one object that is far from the speaker.
Usage	It is used as a Pronoun.	It is used as a Pronoun.
Example	These flowers are beautiful.	Those pups are playing.

So the tabular chart shows that both ‘these’ and ‘those’ may be used as pronouns, but they refer to objects at different distances. The detailed meanings of the words will help students understand their correct usage.

The Difference between These and Those – Meanings

If a speaker wants to point towards a nearby noun that is plural in nature, then the pronoun ‘these’ is used, for example, ‘These shoes are mine.’ Here, the pronoun ‘these’ is used to refer to the shoes that belong to the speaker and are near him, whereas the word ‘those’ is used to refer to an noun that’s plural in nature and is at a distance far from the speaker, for example, ‘Those stars are far away in the sky.’ Here, ‘those’ is used to refer to the distant stars that are visible to the the speaker from far. Once students get this, it will be simpler for them to use these pronouns in sentences.

MATTHEW 5:19

SCRIPTURE EXAMPLE

- 44 And saith unto him, See thou say nothing to any man: but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing those things which Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

Mark 1:44 KJV

- We see here correct grammatical usage of the word THOSE referring to something past tense or in a distance. The Law of Moses was given years ago.

MATTHEW 5:19

FURTHER EVIDENCE

- After Matthew 5:20, Jesus then begins to give commandments all the way until the end of Matthew Chapter 7.

Murder and Hatred: Matthew 5:21-22

Reconcile: Matthew 5:23-26

Adultery: Matthew 5:27-28

Cut off what causes you to sin: Matthew 5:29-30

Oaths: Matthew 5:33-37

Retaliation: Matthew 5:38-39

Love For Enemies: Matthew 5:43-48

Give to the Needy in secret: Matthew 6:1-4

Pray in secret not just in public: Matthew 6:5-7

This is how you pray: Matthew 6:9-13

Forgive others: Matthew 6:14-15

Fasting in secret: Matthew 6:16-18

Store Treasure in heaven: Matthew 6:19-21

Guard your heart: Matthew 6:22-23

Do not serve money: Matthew 6:24

Do not worry: Matthew 6:25-34

Do not judge hypocritically: Matthew 7:1-5

Do not give what is Holy to Dogs: Matthew 7:6

Ask, Seek, Knock: Matthew 7:7-12

Enter Narrow Gate: Matthew 7:13-14

There are more commands given in the Gospels.

MATTHEW 5:19

MORE EVIDENCE

- 24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and *doeth them*, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

Matthew 7:24 KJV

MATTHEW 5:19

LAST EVIDENCE

- 28 And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine:

Matthew 7:28 KJV



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THE APOSTLES' DOCTRINE

➤ JESUS COMMANDED

20 Teaching them to observe all things
whatsoever I have commanded you...

Matthew 28:20

➤ APOSTLES TAUGHT

everything that **Jesus had commanded
them** found in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and
John.

JESUS SAID LEARN OF ME

- 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.
30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Matthew 11:29-30 KJV

Jesus said to **LEARN of HIM**. We need to learn everything He commanded and said. His **YOKE** is **EASY** & **BURDEN** is **LIGHT**.

3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous

1 John 5:3 KJV

WHAT THE APOSTLES SAID ABOUT THE LAW OF MOSES

5 But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying,
That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.

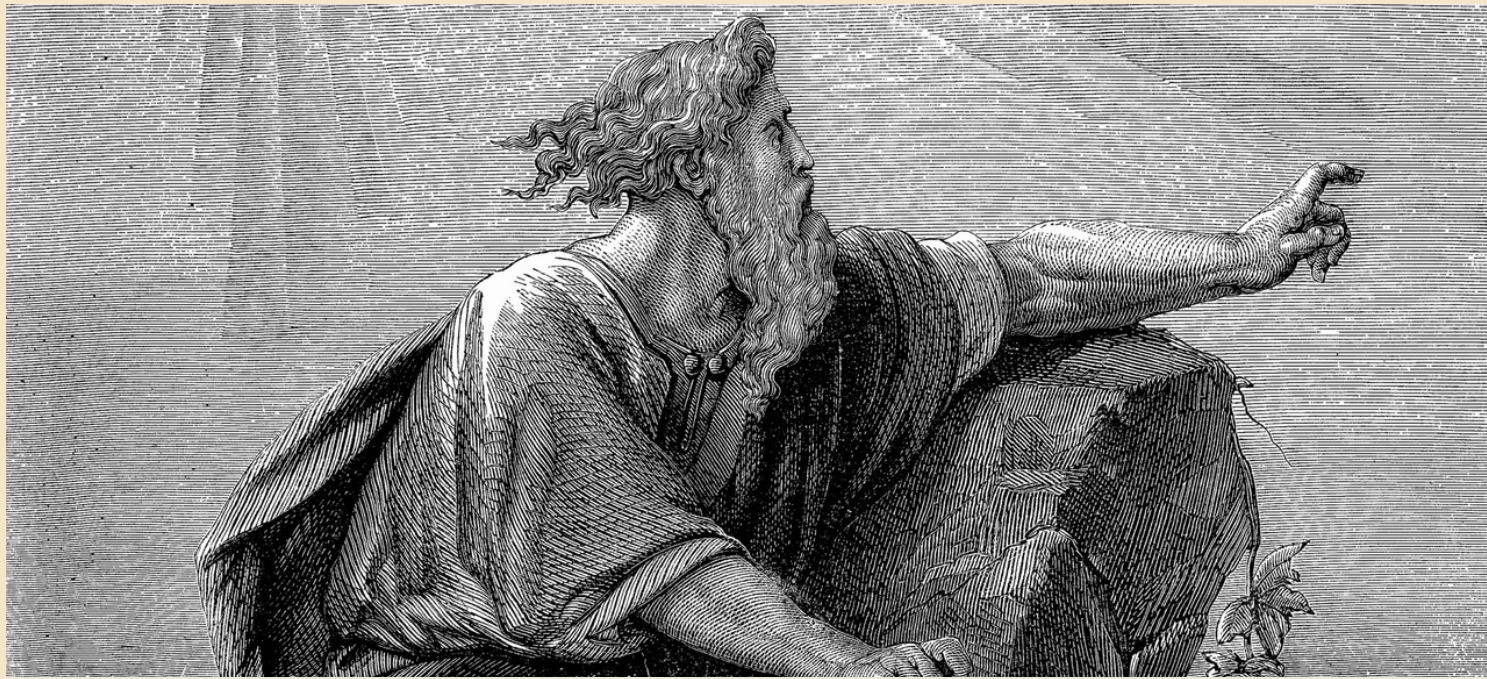
Acts 15:5 KJV

10 Now therefore why tempt ye God, to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples,
which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

11 But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.

Acts 15:10-11 KJV

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DIED TO THE MOSAIC LAW

➤ 4 Wherefore, my brethren, **ye also are become dead to the law** by the body of Christ; **that ye should be married to another**, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.

5 For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death.

6 **But now we are delivered from the law**, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter.

Romans 7:4-6 KJV

JESUS FULFILLED THE LAW

➤ JESUS CAME TO FULFIL THE LAW

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Matthew 5:17-18 KJV

➤ SCRIPTURE OF FULFILLMENT

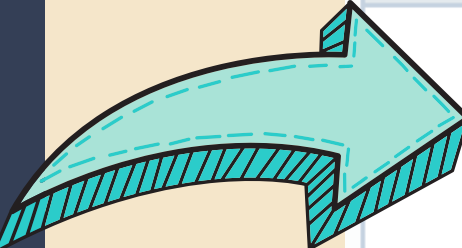
4 For Christ is the **end** of the law
for righteousness to every one
that believeth.

Romans 10:4 KJV

GREEK MEANING OF "END"

The KJV translates Strong's G5056 in the following manner: end (35x), custom (3x), uttermost (1x), finally (1x), ending (1x), by (one's) continual (with G1519) (1x).

Outline of Biblical Usage [?]



I. end

A. termination, the limit at which a thing ceases to be (always of the end of some act or state, but not of the end of a period of time)

B. the end

i. the last in any succession or series

ii. eternal

C. that by which a thing is finished, its close, issue

D. the end to which all things relate, the aim, purpose

II. toll, custom (i.e. indirect tax on goods)

WHAT THE APOSTLES SAID TO THE GENTILES

24 Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, *saying, Ye must be circumcised, and keep the law: to whom we gave no such commandment:*

Acts 15:24 KJV

28 For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things;

29 That ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well. **Acts 15:28-29 KJV**



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APOSTLES

The Apostles later on taught the people everything Jesus commanded them. The Gospels were written and the Gentiles are also commanded to obey all of the commands of Jesus. The apostles at first did not get the revelation or understanding that Jesus wanted them to literally preach to all nations including the Gentiles. When they first started they had only preached to the Jews in different nations because of the diaspora. The Lord gave Peter that vision as well in Acts 10 to preach to the gentile Cornelius.

19 Now they which were scattered abroad upon the persecution that arose about Stephen travelled as far as Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to none but unto the Jews only.

Acts 11:19 KJV

DID PAUL KEEP THE LAW OF MOSES OR CHRIST?

19 For although I am free in every way from anyone's control, I have made myself a bond servant to everyone, *so that I might gain the more* [for Christ].

20 To the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might win Jews; to men under the Law, [I became] as one under the Law, though not myself being under the Law, that I might win those under the Law.

21 To those without (outside) law I became as one without law, **not that I am without the law of God** and lawless toward Him, but that I am [especially keeping] within and committed to the law of Christ, that I might win those who are without law.

22 To the weak (wanting in discernment) I have become weak (wanting in discernment) that I might win the weak and overscrupulous. **I have [in short] become all things to all men, that I might by all means (at all costs and in any and every way) save some [by winning them to faith in Jesus Christ].**

1 Corinthians 9:19-22 AMPC

WHY DID PAUL CIRCUMCISE TIMOTHY?

2 He [Timothy] had a good reputation among the brethren at Lystra and Iconium.

3 Paul desired Timothy to go with him [as a missionary]; and he took him and circumcised him because of the Jews that were in those places, all of whom knew that his father was a Greek.

Acts 16:2-3 AMPC

A gentile did not partake in ritual purity so the Jews viewed the gentiles as unclean. It was also unlawful to bring a gentile into the temple because they believed it would defile the temple of God since the gentiles were unclean. He circumcised Timothy so he could be amongst Jews and minister.

28 Shouting, Men of Israel, help! [Help!] This is the man who is teaching everybody everywhere against the people and the Law and this place! Moreover, he has also [actually] **brought Greeks into the temple; he has desecrated and polluted this holy place!**

29 For they had previously seen Trophimus the Ephesian in the city with Paul and they supposed **that he had brought the man into the temple [into the inner court forbidden to Gentiles].**

Acts 21:28-29 AMPC

PAUL SAID ABOUT CIRCUMCISION & THE LAW

18 Was anyone at the time of his summons [from God] already circumcised? Let him not seek to remove the evidence of circumcision. Was anyone at the time [God] called him uncircumcised? **Let him not be circumcised.**

19 For **circumcision is nothing and counts for nothing**, neither does uncircumcision, **but** [what counts is] keeping the commandments of God.

1 Corinthians 7:18-19 AMPC

10 **And all who depend on the Law** [who are seeking to be justified by obedience to the Law of rituals] **are under a curse and doomed to disappointment and destruction**, for it is written in the Scriptures, Cursed (accursed, devoted to destruction, doomed to eternal punishment) be everyone who does not continue to abide (live and remain) **by all the precepts and commands** written in the Book of the Law and to practice them.

Galatians 3:10 AMPC

WHY DID PAUL TAKE A NAZIRITE VOW?

26 Then Paul took the [four] men with him and the following day [he went through the rites of] **purifying himself along with them**. And they entered the temple to give notice when the days of purification (the ending of each vow) would be fulfilled and the usual offering could be presented on behalf of each of them.

Acts 21:26 AMPC

When Paul came to Jerusalem James knew that the people would find out about it and it would cause an uproar, so James said do what we tell you so they see Paul observing the Law which would hopefully prevent the people from attacking Paul. Don't forget Paul said himself that he became a Jew to win some to Christ but himself not being under the Mosaic Law but under the Law of Christ.



TO PREVENT AN UPROAR OF THE PEOPLE

21 Now they have been informed about you that **you continually teach all the Jews** who live among the Gentiles to turn back from and forsake Moses, advising them not to circumcise their children or pay any attention to the observance of the [Mosaic] customs.

22 **What then [is best that] should be done?** **A multitude will come together, for they will surely hear that you have arrived.**

23 **Therefore do just what we tell you.** With us are four men who have taken a vow upon themselves.

24 Take these men and purify yourself along with them and pay their expenses [for the temple offering], so that they may have their heads shaved. Thus everybody will know that there is no truth in what they have been told about you, but that you yourself walk in observance of the Law.

Acts 21:21-24 AMPC

Paul took the letter and also wrote to the Gentile believers in Jesus that they did not have to keep the Mosaic Law and did not have to get circumcised just as he was instructed by the Apostles and Elders.

CONCLUSION



LAW OF CHRIST

We believe and Teach the Law of Christ

2 Bear (endure, carry) one another's burdens and troublesome moral faults, and **in this way fulfill and observe perfectly the law of Christ** (the Messiah) and complete what is lacking [in your obedience to it].

Galatians 6:2 AMPC

4 Whoever says, I know Him [I perceive, recognize, understand, and am acquainted with Him] **but fails to keep and obey His commandments (teachings)** is a liar, and the Truth [of the Gospel] is not in him.

5 *But he who keeps (treasures) His Word [who bears in mind His precepts, who observes His message in its entirety], truly in him has the love of and for God been perfected (completed, reached maturity).* By this we may perceive (know, recognize, and be sure) that we are in Him:

1 John 2:4-5 AMPC