

The Forgotten Jesus Podcast

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But what about Romans? - Romans 10:4

Description – Join us today as we look at the book of Romans and ask the question, did Jesus do away with the old testament law?

Last time we looked at the book of Hebrews and two verses that people take to claim that Jesus abolished the old testament and the law.

Romans 10:3-5

³ Since they are ignorant of the righteousness of God and attempted to establish their own righteousness, they have not submitted to God's righteousness. ⁴ For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes, ⁵ since Moses writes about the righteousness that is from the law: **The one who does these things will live by them.**

The Jews were trying to establish their own righteousness (10:3)

10:4 - "end" - greek word "telos" which can be translated as "end, purpose, goal, completion, or fulfillment"

Three types of laws in the OT

1. Ceremonial - have to do with the festivals, feasts, tabernacle, temple, etc. These don't apply to us today, because there is no more Temple.
2. Civil - had to do with the land, places of refuge, etc. These don't apply today.
3. Moral - These are the 10 commandments, the moral law still have bearing in our lives today. (Don't kill, don't steal, don't covet)

Romans 3:31

³¹ Do we then nullify the law through faith? Absolutely not! On the contrary, we uphold the law.

Romans 7:12, 14

¹² So then, the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and just and good.

¹⁴ For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold as a slave under sin.

Romans 8:4

⁴ in order that the law's requirement would be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Romans 8:1-2

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus, ² because the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and death.

1 Corinthians 7:19

¹⁹ Circumcision does not matter and uncircumcision does not matter. Keeping God's commands is what matters.

1 Corinthians 10:23

²³ "Everything is permissible," but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible," but not everything builds up.

Galatians 5:1

For freedom, Christ set us free. Stand firm, then, and don't submit again to a yoke of slavery.

The question is: do you view God's law as restrictions to your happiness, or as commands to safeguard you?

1. The Law was given to show us the way, give us direction, a pathway, guidance.
2. The Law was to be treasured.
3. The Law was considered to be a gift of grace

Titus 2:11-12

¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, ¹² instructing us to deny godlessness and worldly lusts and to live in a sensible, righteous, and godly way in the present age,

God's grace has appeared, available to all (we didn't do anything in receiving this Grace) but now that we have this grace we live our lives by v. 12.

The grace is given through the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit enables us, empowers us to live it out.

1 Peter 4:10

¹⁰ Just as each one has received a gift, use it to serve others, as good stewards of the varied grace of God.

Summarizing a group of commands, or summarizing something, doesn't negate the book / topic / section. It's simply giving you cliff notes to understanding.

David - summarized the law down to 16

Isaiah - summarized the law down to 11

Micah - summarized the law down to 3

But just because these men summarized the law, doesn't mean the rest of the law is obsolete or done away with.

A Kingdom has a King, and to live in that kingdom you are a subject to the King.

You can reject the rules of the kingdom but you can't expect the blessings, the security and the rule and reign of the King in your life if you do that. When you willingly submit to the King you'll be under His blessing, his rule and reign.

The Jews saw the law and were willing to submit to it, because they loved the king and were eager to submit to Him.