



No Condemnation, Part 23

STRUGGLES & CONFESSIONS

“The Believer Is To Be Free From The Law”
Romans 7:1-25

Introduction: The Law of God stands before man. It stands in two positions that must be understood if man wishes to secure peace in his life.

The Two Positions Of The Law To Man, Part 1

I. The Law _____ Man Only As Long As He Lives (v. 1-3)

A. The Two Positions Are Illustrated by _____ (v. 2-3)

1. The law is _____ and **active** to the living (v. 2a)
2. The law is _____ and **inactive** through death (v. 2b)

B. The Conclusion: (v. 3)

1. The law _____ the living who violate its demands (v. 3a)
2. Death _____ a person from the law (v. 3b)

II. Position 1: The Law is _____ To Believers (v. 4)

A. How? By _____ death (v. 4a)

- 1.) What a glorious truth

Note: The believer is dead to the law by the (crucified) body of Christ. The believer has been put to death in Christ.

**Therefore the believer is freed “by the body of Christ” that is, His death. Christ redeemed the believer from the law...*

—by being a curse (Galatians 3:10, 13)

—by His blood (Ephesians 1:7; 2:13)

—by His flesh (Ephesians 2:15)

—by the cross (Ephesians 2:16)

—by the body of His flesh (Colossians 1:22)

Because of all this, the believer is free from the law (1 Peter 2:24; 3:18)

Note: The glorious purpose for the believer’s death to the law—so he can be united to Christ, the living and risen Lord (Romans 7:14; 1 Corinthians 6:15; Ephesians 5:30)

2.) The believer dies to the law so that he can bring forth **fruit** to God

a.) to bear _____ (Romans 6:21-23; Philippians 1:11)

b.) to bear _____ (Romans 1:13; John 15:16)

c.) to bear Christian _____—the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23; Colossians 1:10)

III. Position 2: The Law is _____ To Those “In The Flesh” (v. 5)

**The law is alive to those “in the flesh”. A man “in the flesh” is the natural man: the man without Christ, the unsaved, unjustified, unregenerate man. He is still under the law.*

A. The Law is _____ and **active** to the man without Christ

1. It points out sin and _____ guilt within a man when he violates the law
2. It arouses sinful _____ and feelings and stirs the emotions to do the forbidden

B. The Results of Combating the Law

1. _____ (Romans 6:23)

IV. The Law Is Inactivated By _____ (v. 6)

A. How? By their death “_____” Christ

B. Purpose: To _____ in newness of Spirit

