

“You Cannot Serve Two Masters:
Delighting in the Law vs Being Condemned By the Law” (Part 2)
Romans 7:6-25

- *Delight in the Law:*
 - Every Christian has been called to delight in the Law of God (Psalm 1:1-6; Psalm 119:33-34 & 92-93; Romans 7:22). The Law of God is to be treasured (Psalm 19:7-11) and it is to be hidden in our hearts (Psalm 119:11) so that we glorify God with our lives.
- *Condemnation in the Law:*
 - The law shows why our condemnation is just (John 3:16-18), we have sinned against a Holy God (Romans 3:20; 5:18-20). The Law shows us our inability to meet God’s righteous standard (Galatians 2:16; James 2:10) and that we have no desire to keep God’s righteous standard (Romans 8:7-8).
- *How God uses the Law to save: (Romans 7:7-13)*
 - The Law brings knowledge of my sin, showing my need of Christ (Romans 3:20; Romans 7:7 & 13). The work of Christ placed on my life fulfills the righteous standard of the Law (Matthew 5:17; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Romans 8:3-4; Philippians 3:9) and by the Spirit we now can walk in obedience to the Law (Romans 6:16 & 22 & 7:6).
- *The Law used in Spiritual warfare: (Romans 7:14-25)*
 - Ideally, sin/flesh desires for us to be ignorant to God’s Word, therefore leading to a life that doesn’t strive for holiness or repentance (1 John 1:6-10). If you continue in this state you are not truly converted (Romans 8:9-11).
 - The more of the Law I know, the more I will see His grace towards me (Romans 5:20).
 - The more I see His grace, the more I should fight because I have the Spirit, positional power, a transformed mind, and the ability to walk out the Law (Romans 6:1-4).
 - The more I mature in my knowledge of the Law, the more I will see my remaining sin and the more opportunity to live in condemnation or delight in His goodness and grace to me in salvation (Romans 7:21-23 & 8:1-2).
 - The more I sin and realize my sinfulness the more that I will either become more desperate for Him, leading to joy (1 John 5:5-11), or want to hide from Him and be miserable (Psalm 52:12).
 - The more desperate I am for Christ, the more I rely on Him, the more that I am going to have victory over sin in my life (2 Corinthians 7:1; Romans 6:22) leading to enjoying Him (Romans 5:11).

Worship: I Stand Amazed (Norton Hall Band)
Holy Holy Holy (Various Artists)

His Mercy Is More (Matt Boswell)

Closing Song: Christ Is Mine Forevermore (City Alight)

Announcements:

***PRAYER** on Thursdays at 6:20pm and Sundays at 4:30pm before the services!

***Church Members Meeting: NEXT** Sunday, October 4th, immediately following the service. This meeting will last approximately 45 minutes. If you are currently a church member, please plan on joining us for this.

***After Church Fellowship: SUNDAYS ONLY!** OUTDOOR lawn chair fellowship, after the Sunday services, at the Scarberry residence! Please bring a lawn chair with you, if you have one!

***Pastor Appreciation in October:** In the month of October we will be collecting a special offering for the Pastoral Staff for Pastor Appreciation Month. If you would like to give to that, please put your donation into an offering envelope (on the side of the offering box) and mark on the outside of the envelope: "Pastoral Staff Appreciation".

*If you have any questions or interest in being baptized or in church membership, please talk to Pastor Jeremy, Pastor Chris, or one of the church elders!