

The Epistle to the Romans!

The Text:

Romans 7:7-14!

The Title:

So What About the Law?

The Theme: Romans 1:16-17!

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, “But the righteous man shall live by faith.”

An Overview of Romans

I. (Chaps. 1-8) The Focus is on **DOCTRINE!**

A. (Chaps.1-3) **Sin**: The Need for Righteousness.

B. (Chaps.4-5) **Salvation**: The Means of Righteousness.

C. (Chaps.6-8) **Sanctification**: The Result of Righteousness.

II. (Chaps.9-11) The Focus is **DISPENSATIONAL!**

D. (Chaps. 9-11) **Sovereignty**: The Disbelief of Righteousness.

III. (Chaps.12-16) The Focus is on **DELIBERATIONS!**

E. (Chaps. 12-16) **Service**: The Fruit of Righteousness.

Chapter Seven Sermon Outlines

Romans 7:1-6!

I. (7:1-6) Paul reasons with the LEGALIST!

A legalist is a person who holds to a strict conformity and/or adherence to the Law. Here Paul addressed the Jewish believers who believed that justification (salvation) was gained through the keeping of the Law (salvation is accomplished by human works).

- A. (v.1) The axiom about the Law.
- B. (vv.2-3) The analogy of the Law.
- C. (vv.4-6) The application of the Law.

Chapter Seven Sermon Outlines

Romans 7:7-12

II. (7:7-12) Paul reasons with the LIBERTARIAN!

A libertarian is a person who believes that a person is justified (saved) solely by an act of the human will (or the decision / faith). Here Paul addresses the Gentile believer who believes that grace is a license to continue in sin since grace is greater than the Law.

A. (vv.7-8) The Law reveals sin.

B. (vv.9-11) The Law ruins the sinner.

C. (v.12) The Law reflects the sinner's sinfulness.

Chapter Seven Sermon Outlines

Romans 7:13-25

III. (7:13-25) Paul Reasons with the LAW Abiding Believer!

The law abiding believer is a person who understands and applies the teaching in Romans 3:31. Here Paul addresses those who understand that grace and works go hand-and-hand. Paul will encourage the faithful as they struggle to apply the truth of grace and works to their daily lives.

A.(vv.13-23) The anguish of the believer.

B.(v.24) The agony of the believer.

C.(v.25) The answer given to the believer.

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Lessons Learned Today:

While the Law is NOT responsible for our sin
it is also not responsible for our salvation – John 14:6!

While the Law is GOOD and worthy of following,
it is also weak for it leads to sin and death – Romans 6:23!

While it is right to look to the Law for guidance,
it is NEVER to be blamed for our failure – Romans 1-3!