

What Is the Law Good For?

Lesson #4 – New Testament Examples of the Law for Christians

Clarifications:

- (1) The Law of Moses was not given to Christians, nor is it binding upon Christians.
- (2) It is impossible to be saved by keeping the Law.
- (3) It is impossible to grow spiritually by keeping the Law.

Statement of balance: We cannot **attain** righteousness through the Law,
but we can **learn about** righteousness through the Law.

Personal Question: When considering the Law of Moses, how can your heart respond?

- (1) see what is good and beautiful
- (2) see that I fail to reach God's righteousness

Examples of the New Testament quoting the Law to support teaching on Christian conduct:

1. Christians should financially support spiritual teachers.
 - Taught in 1 Cor. 9:8-14; 1 Tim. 5:17-18
 - Based upon Deut. 25:4; Luke 10:7

2. Christian children should honor parents.

- Taught in Eph. 6:1-3; Col. 3:20

- Based upon Ex. 20:12; Deut. 5:16

- Additional, adult application is found in 1 Tim. 5:3-8; Mark 7:9-13

3. Christians should be truthful with one another.

- Taught in Eph. 4:25

- Based upon Ex. 20:16; Deut. 5:20; Zech. 8:16-17