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Introduction

This booklet **“The Curse of the Law,” Mini-Book, Part 1** is the beginning of a series of booklets that can help you to know the truth, so that the truth can set you free. Watch for other parts to this series.

The Bible tells us we should **“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth”** (2 Tim. 2:15). Christians need to know “how to study the Scriptures.”

Christians should understand, if you want to know something in detail start in the beginning and continue until the end. In studying the Scriptures we must study everything it says about any subject we are studying, starting in Genesis and continuing on through Revelation. This is very important for much of the Scriptures can be easily misunderstood by taking one part without considering the remaining parts.

For example, the Four Gospels were all written for one purpose. But, in each of the Four Gospels there are differences that could cause one to think God was not in on what was written, or someone made a mistake in what they wrote.

God used people to write the Scriptures from the beginning. All Scripture is “God breathed” (inspired by the Holy Spirit), yet man did the writing (2 Tim. 3:16). This does not mean that because we can see some discrepancy in certain parts of the Bible, that the Bible is not revealing the Truth. It means, “those who try to study their Bibles without the help of the Holy Spirit will not come to the knowledge and understanding that God has planned for those who love God.”

In 1 John 2:27 it says, **“But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.”** When we learn how to **“be taught by God,”** then we will understand God and His Word. God already told us in 1 Corinthians 2:10-14, that man’s wisdom (using his natural mind) will not know the things of God, **“because they are spiritually discerned”** (1 Cor. 2:14).

When studying the Scriptures there are many things to consider. Is God speaking of our earthly time or His heavenly time? God is always in the NOW, therefore sometimes God is speaking in the now, according to eternity time. (See Isaiah 46:9,10, also see Exodus 3:14, John 8:58). Is God speaking about the past, the present or the future? Is God using types and shadows or speaking literally? Is God speaking from His point of view, or our point of view? Is God speaking the end from the beginning (calling things that be not as though they were) (Rom. 4:17)? Is God bringing to pass that which He already declared as finished from the foundation of the world? (See Revelation 13:8b).

The next thing to consider is what language did God use when the Scriptures were written? Most of the Old Testament was written in Hebrew (by which the Hebrew dialect changed many times between Genesis and Malachi). Some of the Old Testament is written in Chaldees. At the same time, the Hebrew language is a unique language, in so much as “word for word translations will not always work.” Many of the words used in the Hebrew change their meaning according to their usage in that particular subject. Many Bible scholars do not take this into consideration. Is a word a root word, or not? If it is not, what is the root word that it came from and what does it mean? What is the Stem (a verb, a noun, etc.) and what is the Mood (infinitive, imperfect, etc.)?

In both the Old Testament and the New Testament, most of it is not written in chronological order. This also applies to the individual books, they are not always in chronological order. As an example, it seems the book of 2 Samuel was written after Samuel was already dead. In the New Testament, see also the Book of Romans as one example, it was not written by the Apostle Paul. See Romans 16:22.

We must understand who wrote the Books of the Bible? They were not normally written by the person spoken of as the writer in these books. In the Old Testament they were mostly written by Scribes, who recorded what was given to them as they wrote. The Scribes were first used in the writings of the first five books of the Bible, after Moses was called of God to lead the Children of Israel out of Egypt. The Scribes in the beginning were Levites, of the tribe of Levi, chosen by the LORD to write and record that which was included in our Bibles. The Scribes also, re-wrote or made copies of the original manuscripts, thereby sometimes creating error by adding to or taking away parts of what was in the first writing. This is the doings of men, not of God. Yet, the true Gospel is still made known in the original manuscripts.

After Genesis, throughout most of the rest of the Old Testament from Exodus through Malachi, God was prophesying (speaking His foreknowledge of things to come, getting His Word written to set the standard for all understanding of God and His Word). Through the prophets, God was establishing the future according to His knowledge of things established from the foundation of the world, and was correcting error and explaining what He had already established in Genesis.

How can we know if a part of a book, or certain verses in certain books of the Bible should be in the Bible or not? Only the Holy Spirit can reveal the truth to those who are “taught by God” and sensitive to the teaching of the Holy Spirit. Yet, there is a common consideration used already back in the early years of the Church, which is called “the canon of the Scriptures.” If any part of the Scripture does not agree with the complete Bible from Genesis through Revelation, it could be that it does not belong in the Bible. If it does agree with all the other books of the Bible it should be in the Bible.

When all these things are considered, then the greatest challenge is “How did the Holy Spirit use that word, both in its context and in other verses”? In most cases the same applies to the New Testament Greek. The Greek is not quite as complicated as the Hebrew, but we cannot overlook all the ways the Holy Spirit used different words. We cannot overlook the context and the many other ways the Scriptures are written. We cannot overlook the re-writings of the Scriptures by Scribes in both the Old Testament and the New Testament. Some transcripts do not agree with other transcripts. Therefore, the key to all studying of the Scriptures is in the witness of the Holy Spirit Who inspired the writing of the original manuscripts.

Many Christians have made great error in this simple system of knowing what should be in our Bibles and what should not be in our Bibles. Taking anything away from what the Holy Spirit inspired or adding anything to what the Holy Spirit inspired is something no one should get involved in according to Deuteronomy 4:2; 12:32; Proverbs 30:6; Revelation 22:18,19. It is not good that so many new Bibles have come into print leaving out verses that should be in every Bible. Some have used English words that do not mean what the original manuscripts said. Others have taken what was written and added to it their idea of what God could have said or should have said. There is a lot of evidence of this work of the enemy (using the minds of people) to write in their Bibles what can cause confusion and error in the churches that use these Bibles.

In the New Testament the gospels were for establishing a truth which had already been made known, but not followed. Through Jesus Christ, the true gospel was preached. The book of Acts and the Epistles were for establishing truth, explaining and correcting error after the truth had already been made known in the Old Testament and the Gospels.

The next thing to consider is, are the writings to establish doctrine or correct error? In Genesis Chapters One and Two, God was establishing “His principles and His will” here on earth. In Genesis Chapters Three through Six God was doing both, establishing His will and correcting error.

God was establishing His principles and His will when it says in Genesis 4:3,4, **“And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD...And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering.”** Offerings to the LORD were established in these verses. An acceptable offering to the LORD must be done by faith, not by obligation (see Hebrews 11:4). Therefore, God was also establishing “His principle of faith.” That principle still remains throughout the Bible. Abraham is called the father of faith. The New Testament says, **“The just shall live by faith”** (Rom. 1:17; Gal. 3:11; Heb. 10:38).

God was also correcting error in Genesis 4:6,7 where it says, **“And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?...If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.”** Cain had been listening to the wrong voice (the voice of the Devil). The LORD tried to help Cain by exposing the works of the Devil in his mind. Cain did not listen to the LORD’s love, grace, and mercy as He spoke to Cain.

In most of the balance of Genesis, God was doing both, establishing His will and correcting error.

Many Christians want to use their favorite translation. They say they can understand the Bible (in their mind) better with their translation. God never said man was to understand the Bible in their natural mind. In 1 Corinthians 2:14 it says, **“But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.”** But, what God did say about understanding the Scriptures is in Job 32:8, where it says, **“But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding.”** Jesus said in John 6:45, **“It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God...”**

Lastly, and very important is, what language translation are we using. Very few Christians can understand the Hebrew and Greek. Are we using English translations, and are they word for word, paraphrased, or thought for thought? All three of these are the works of men, not truly of the Holy Spirit. Also, what is the true meaning of the original Hebrew or Greek word (as an example the Greek word translated “love,” is it agape or phileo, and the Greek word translated “life,” is it psuche or zoe)?

How do we know if what we read is truly of God? The Bible tells us in 1 John 5:8, **“And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water (Word), and the blood: and these three agree in one.”** If anyone of these do not agree, what we may think is true is not true.

The Curse of the Law

In Galatians 3:13 it says, **“Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:”** What law is this speaking of?”

Many believe it is speaking of the Law of Moses. Yet, if that is true, what about the Gentiles? The Gentiles were never under the Law of Moses. Check it out for yourselves and see if that is not so?

When we consider all that is written concerning **“the curse of the Law,”** we find in Romans 8:1,2 it says, **“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit..For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.”**

Going back to Genesis 2:16,17 it says, **“And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat...But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.”** In this it tells us that man could freely eat of all the trees in the garden, including the tree of life. But, man was commanded by the LORD God not to eat of **“the tree of knowledge of good and evil.”** If man would eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil two deaths would come upon man, (spiritual death of the soul and physical death of the body).

There are very few Christians today who have studied Genesis 2:17 in the Hebrew to see what it truly says. The words **“surely die”** in the Hebrew are the same Hebrew word “muwth” but with two different meanings. The English versions of the Bible do not show this difference. Therefore, it is important that Christians study the Hebrew to know “precisely,” what the Holy Spirit inspired to be written. (All of this information is in many books written by Merle E. Koepke, such as “Two Adams,” “The Second Adam,” etc.).

Keeping to the subject of what was spoken in Genesis 2:17, the LORD God was informing mankind that eating of the tree of knowledge of good and evil would be “sin against the LORD God, and would result in two deaths.” To God, this is “a spiritual law,” known to God from the foundation of the world and made known to man from the beginning of this creation, and continues even unto this day.

By **“the knowledge of good and evil”** two deaths came upon mankind. By the knowledge of good and evil, man tries to justify himself, making himself justified by what he did or does. That is not acceptable to God. God has a plan for the redemption of man and for the forgiveness of sin. Self-righteousness will not work in God’s plan. Adam tried it after he ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil saying, **“The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat”** (Gen. 3:12). The woman also did the same in saying, **“The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat”** (Gen. 3:13). Its by the repentance and the confession of one’s sin they receive forgiveness (by the grace and mercy of God).

There is no forgiveness of sins in the tree of knowledge of good and evil. All sin is against God, not against someone else, even though others are involved. Joseph knew this even before the law of Moses. In Genesis 39:9 Joseph said to Potiphar’s wife, **“..how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?”**

God has **“the knowledge of good and evil”** (Gen. 3:22), but does not operate with man

according to the knowledge of good and evil. God operates with man by love, grace, and mercy. God's love for man is so great that He created man to be in His own likeness and image (Gen. 1:26-28). God's love for man is so great that **"...he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life"** (John 3:16). God's love is so great that John the Baptist said of Jesus, **"...Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world"** (John 1:29).

God is eternal (from eternity past and continues on throughout all eternity). God lives forever, and cannot die. In God "there is life" and "no death."

Sin and death originates with the Devil. In 1 John 3:8 it says, **"He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning..."** The Devil is the one who has the power of death. In Hebrews 2:14 speaking of Jesus, it says, **"Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil."** (See also 1 Corinthians 15:26).

Jesus bore our sins and iniquities for us on the Cross of Calvary that we could be free of "sin and death." Isaiah 53:4-12 speaks specifically of this great work of Christ on the Cross. Already in Isaiah 43:25 it says, **"I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins."**

When did this all take place? For God, it was declared as already done from the foundation of the world (Rev. 13:8b). But for man it came to pass when Jesus suffered and died on the Cross of Calvary. Why did Jesus go to the Cross for the sins and iniquities of man? Simply, because of God's foreknowledge, He knew of "the curse of the law of sin and death" that would come upon mankind in the garden of Eden when Adam and Eve ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

Adam was the head of the human race here upon earth. Adam was first formed then Eve was taken and formed from a rib of Adam to be his **"help meet,"** meaning "help, or helper" (Gen. 2:20-22). Eve was the mother of all living human beings. It says in Genesis 3:20, **"And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living."**

Adam, being the head of the human race was blamed for sin and death coming into the human race (through the blood line) from Adam unto everyone born into this world (by the union of one man and one woman having a child). Adam was the beginning of the bloodline of all mankind, whereby it says in Acts 17:26, the LORD God, **"...hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth..."** In Romans 5:12 it says, **"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned."** Romans 5:12 is speaking of "the law of sin and death," which came upon all mankind in the garden of Eden.

If Christians would study their Bibles according as God had it written they will find that God is very precise in what He says, and what He does. The LORD God declared His knowledge of the end from the beginning in a number of places in the Scriptures. In Isaiah 46:9,10 it says, **"Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me...Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure."** In Revelation 1:8, Jesus Himself made known His position, saying to the Apostle John, **"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come,**

the Almighty.”

The Scriptures have many references to the wisdom and knowledge of God from before the foundation of the world. If we do not take into account the wisdom and knowledge of God as it is revealed throughout the Bible, we will easily be deceived by the enemy. Therefore, it is important that we understand God and the testimony He has given us in His Word (called the Bible).

If we listen to our spirit while studying the Bible, the Holy Spirit will bear witness with the written Word of God that we might know the truth, and the truth will set us free. In 1 John 5:8 it says, **“And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.”** This means, we cannot rely upon head knowledge (the wisdom of men). For the Scripture says, **“For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God...Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God...Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual”** (1 Cor. 2:11-13).

Going back to Galatians 3:13, which says **“Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law...,”** what curse of the Law was this speaking of, the law of sin and death or the Law of Moses? If we study the Scriptures with the help of the Holy Spirit we will notice some things of importance concerning these two mentioned laws.

First, we must go back to Genesis 2:17 where this all started. Man was told by the LORD God, **“...of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.”** This was “the law of sin and death,” confirmed by Romans 5:12, which makes it clear **“death came by sin,”** which is “the law of sin and death.”

Now, the question is, what happened when Adam and Eve ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil? In Genesis 3:22 it says, **“And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil...”** God always had **“the knowledge of good and evil.”** Adam and Eve did receive **“the knowledge of good and evil.”** The knowledge of good and evil brought mankind into subjection to the Devil. Eve listened to the voice of the serpent and disobeyed the LORD. Then, Adam harkened unto the voice of the woman (after she was deceived by the serpent) and Adam ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. Both, Adam and Eve disobeyed the LORD God’s commandment. Romans 6:16 explains it this way, saying, **“Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?”** Adam and Eve (being the beginning of all mankind in the flesh), yielded mankind to become servants to the Devil. The result is confirmed by Ephesians 2:2, which says, **“Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience.”** Everyone, “except Adam, Eve, and Jesus,” were born into this world subject to the Devil (slaves to a master).

Already, in the garden of Eden Satan had the power to put thoughts in the minds of man. Our mind is a part of our soul, which controls our actions here on earth (therefore, Christians must take authority over their thoughts) (2 Cor. 10:5).

Man did not become a Satanic creature, as some teach. Man remained as a living soul, with a body of flesh and bones and a spirit given to man by God. (Those who teach otherwise did not get

their information from the Holy Spirit. Adam did not commit high treason and sell us out to the Devil, whereby Satan got man's dominion as some teach). All that happened to man was that he became a servant to the Devil by submitting himself to obey the serpent, which obeyed the Devil.

There is another principle that God established in the beginning called "headship." Whosoever you submit yourself to, they become the head of your decisions. The reason for this principle is to establish "Jesus Christ, as the Head of the Body of Christ, and Christians as members of His Body here on earth."

Everything God establishes here on earth continues on into eternity. God has wisdom and knowledge of all things, and never makes any mistakes in what He does. When we learn God's principles, we will find it is easy to follow God's plan for our lives. Just follow God's principles, which He established from Genesis through Revelation. God has revealed to man His total plan for this creation and eternity hereafter in the Scriptures. We must receive what He has revealed "by revelation from the Holy Spirit," not from man's ideas or teachings. We must be "taught by God."

Headship was established among people when God first formed man and then formed woman from the rib of Adam. Thus, declaring it "**...Adam was first formed, then Eve**" (1 Tim. 2:13). The first of everything becomes "the Head." God the Father was first, the Son and the Holy Spirit came out from the Father. Therefore God the Father is greater than the Son and the Holy Spirit. The Father is the Head of the triune God of all creation. Christ is "the firstborn from the dead," therefore Christ is the Head of the Body of Christ.

The main thing different between the headship of God and Satan is that with God, "*He who is greatest among us must become a servant to those who are not as great.*" The Son of God who is greater than man, became man in the flesh and became a servant to man (delivering man from the power of Satan unto God through His death and resurrection from the dead). If you can understand this, then you will begin to understand God's principle of headship.

Satan works to try to distort God's principles to his advantage, by placing headship as the ultimate authority without respect for those under their authority. God's principles only work when people walk in love. Satan has no love, therefore his ideas of God's principles are distorted. (For more information on "Headship," get "**The Cruse of the Law, Mini-Book Part 2**").

God established another principle in Abel, "**The just shall live by faith.**" That principle continues throughout the Bible. Then God established another principle with Enoch, "**man walking with God.**" This principle has continued throughout the Bible.

What happened in the garden of Eden before and after Adam and Eve ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil? Before Adam and Eve ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, they became husband and wife (one man and one woman) as it says they should in Genesis 2:24, "**Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.**" One flesh, means "one in agreement," just as Jesus said about His relationship to the Father, "**I and my Father are one**" (John 10:30). Jesus and the Father are one in agreement. They never disagree, they are always in agreement.

Before Adam and Eve ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil they were both in agreement. Adam did not rule over Eve and Eve did not rule over Adam. Man ruling over the woman is a part of "**the curse**" that came upon mankind because of "**the law of sin and death,**" established in Genesis 2:17. If you study Genesis 3:14 through 3:19, the first time "**a curse**" is mentioned is in Genesis 3:14 and the second time in is Genesis 3:17. As a part of the curse it says in Genesis 3:16,

“Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.” Husbands ruling over their wives is a part of “the curse of the law of sin and death.”

When Adam and Eve ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, they received the knowledge of good and evil. They came under “the curse of the law of sin and death,” and they became servants to Satan (Gen. 2:17, Rom. 6:16).

Here is wisdom, if you can receive it? Any principle that God has established in the beginning cannot be changed by anything that happens thereafter. Look at what it says in Galatians 3:17, **“And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.”** This is a principle of God that cannot be changed. This includes that which God declared before the foundation of the world, which was before Adam and Eve were created. Therefore, as it says in Revelation 13:8, **“..the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world,”** came before Genesis 2:17, thereby, Adam and Eve’s sin was also covered by the Blood of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Does this mean, what Adam and Eve did was not counted against them? Does that mean that no matter what happened to Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden they will still inherit eternity in heaven? Absolutely not!

To benefit from **“the Blood of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world”** one must repent and receive forgiveness of sins, otherwise the Blood will do them no good. Do not think that sin is ok. It does not say that anywhere in the Bible. Sin separates man from God, therefore sin must be overcome.

To be justified from sin, sin must be overcome. Therefore, God overcame sin by the Blood of the Lamb, not by works of the Law of Moses.

What about the Law of Moses? What could the Law of Moses do for man? The Law of Moses was only a schoolmaster to teach mankind how to keep the Devil from having control in their lives. It tells us that in Galatians 3:24, saying, **“Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.”** The law of Moses could not justify anyone. In Acts 13:38,39, it says, **“Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins...And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.”**

The Law of Moses could not change “the law of sin and death,” therefore the law of Moses became a schoolmaster to teach the children of Israel how to choose life and not death by obeying the law of Moses. In Deuteronomy 30:19 it says, **“I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live.”**

The law of Moses could not give them eternal life but it could teach them how to contact God and get deliverance from the effects of “the law of sin and death.” Whenever the Children of Israel called upon the LORD God with a sincere heart, He did deliver them and protect them. Yet, the law of Moses was only to teach them how to live under “the curse of sin and death” until Jesus came and took upon Himself “the curse of the law” through God’s plan of redemption by **“the Blood of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world”** (Rev. 13:8).

Once again, what many Christians today do not understand is that the law of Moses could

not justify anyone. The Apostle Paul made that clear in Acts 13:26-39.

What the law of Moses could not do, being that it was only **“a schoolmaster”** to teach the Children of Israel the way to turn to God and away from the Devil, until Jesus came and paid the price for sin and death with His own precious blood. Once the price was paid, then Jews and Gentiles both, could be justified from all things, by **“the Blood of the Lamb, slain from the foundation of the world”** (Acts 13:38,39; Rev. 13:8).

Now, anyone can be justified **“by grace through faith”** in the completed work of Jesus Christ on the Cross of Calvary. It is by grace through faith, and not by works of the law that we are justified and saved (Eph. 2:8,9).

When Jesus came preaching “the Gospel of the Kingdom of God,” He said in Matthew 5:17 **“Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.”** Jesus took “the curse of the Law of sin and death” upon Himself, therefore the effects of the law revealed in the prophets was fulfilled on the Cross of Calvary. Jesus did not destroy the law of sin and death, He fulfilled the requirements of the law of sin and death by His death on the Cross. What was revealed in the law of Moses and the prophets was only a schoolmaster to teach the ways of God and enlighten them to the first principles of God.

Concerning the principles of God, in Hebrews 6:1,2 it says, **“Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God...Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.”**

Notice, **“...repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God... resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment,”** are all principles of God, established from the foundation of the world. Christians must learn the principles of God established from the foundation of the world and revealed to us in the written Word of God from Genesis through Revelation.

Satan has used every conceivable means he has (working through the minds of people) to change what God had inspired to be written in our Bibles, that men would not know the truth. God has given us three witnesses to the truth, **“the Holy Spirit, the water (Word), and the Blood of the Lamb”** (1 John 5:8). Changing **“the written Word”** by miss translations, man’s ideas of what they think God could have said or should have said, and just plain ignorance of what God inspired have caused many false doctrines and teachings to be established among many churches today. This ought not to be among those who love the LORD our God.

We can know the truth, if we will follow the inspired written Word of God guided by the Holy Spirit, and confirmed by the Blood of the Lamb (1 John 5:8). Jesus said, **“It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God...”** (John 6:45). The Apostle John wrote, **“But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him”** (1 John 2:27). The book of Job revealed **“...there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding”** (Job 32:8).

Once you have been set free *“of the curse of the law”* by **“the blood of the Lamb,”** do not be taken in the snare of the Devil and go back and eat again of **“the tree of knowledge of good and evil.”** Go over to the Epistle of 1 John and learn how to **“stay free!”** Study 1 John 1:5-10. It will help you to understand how to keep your freedom, once you have been set free.

It would be a big help to study the whole Epistle of 1 John over and over again until you learn

how to stay free! The Apostle of John wrote as the Holy Spirit gave him the inspiration to write. God is Love. We must learn the true Gospel of Jesus Christ, and how to keep the two Commandments of the New Covenant.

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