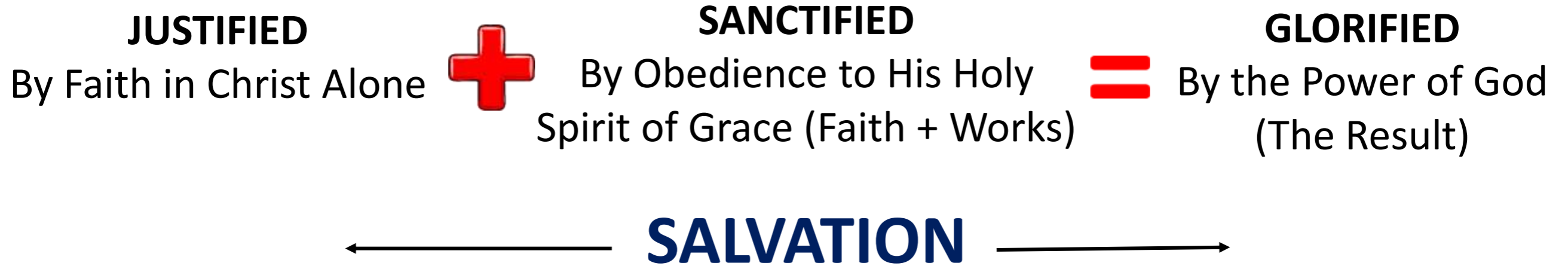


The God

Who Lives in Us

ROMANS 6-8

The Process



The Messiah's Role

CHRISTIAN

Messiah Saves us From Our Sin.

We struggle to comply with the Law since we think it is inconvenient.

JEW

Messiah Teaches us to Walk Perfectly in

God's Laws. They struggle to accept Messiah as they think it is unacceptable.

i.e. why they kept trying to say Jesus was breaking the Laws to disqualify His claim as Messiah.

But the Bible records these were false accusations.

SO WHO IS RIGHT?

The Messiah's Role

BOTH ARE RIGHT – JUST DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES

TEST IT

- The Word became Flesh (Jn 1:14; **Eze 36:26-27**; Eze 11:19-20)
- The Law must be written on our hearts (Jer 31:31-34)
- So if Jesus is the Word Who became Flesh and we say we accept Him as Lord, then shouldn't His Law become written upon our hearts? (Eph 3:17)
- As with all Law – God's Law requires obedience not out of compulsion but love. (1 John 2:4-8)
- The Word became Flesh to turn our stony hearts to hearts of flesh.



The Place of Law, Grace, Sin & Death

Paul is a Messianic Jewish Rabbi who paints pictures with his words. So we will use the following characters to get an idea of what he is talking about in Romans 6-8:

ILLUSTRATION:

**THE CHARACTERS: THE FARMER, THE PLOUGH, THE YOKE,
STRONG OX THAT LEADS ANOTHER OX, THE PATH**

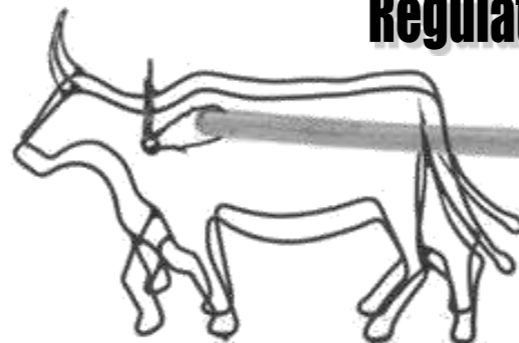
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Sinful Nature



We were yoked to the sinful nature and it is stronger than us.

**Plough
Regulations + Statutes**



The plough of the Law's regulations will go off the mark in our hearts and this is SIN 'the breaking of the Law' Sin will yield Death



**Result
Sin + Death**

Law

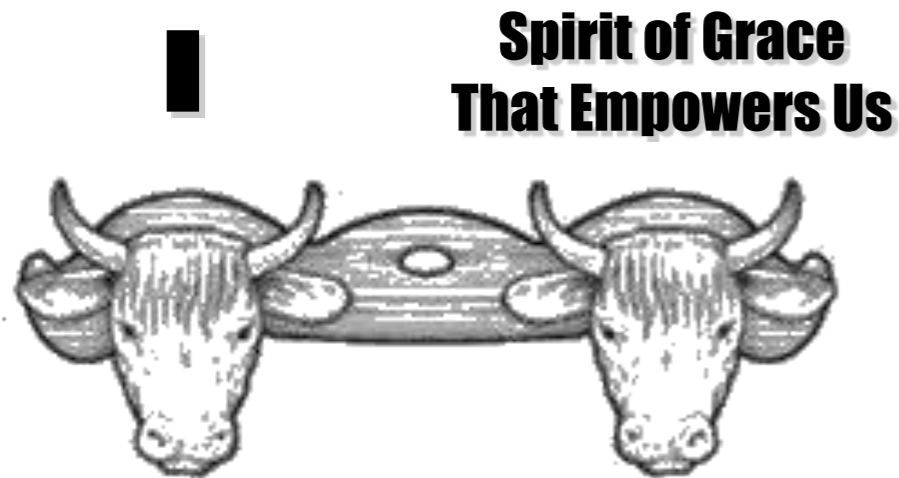


The Law is good and knows what is right but it is powerless to help us

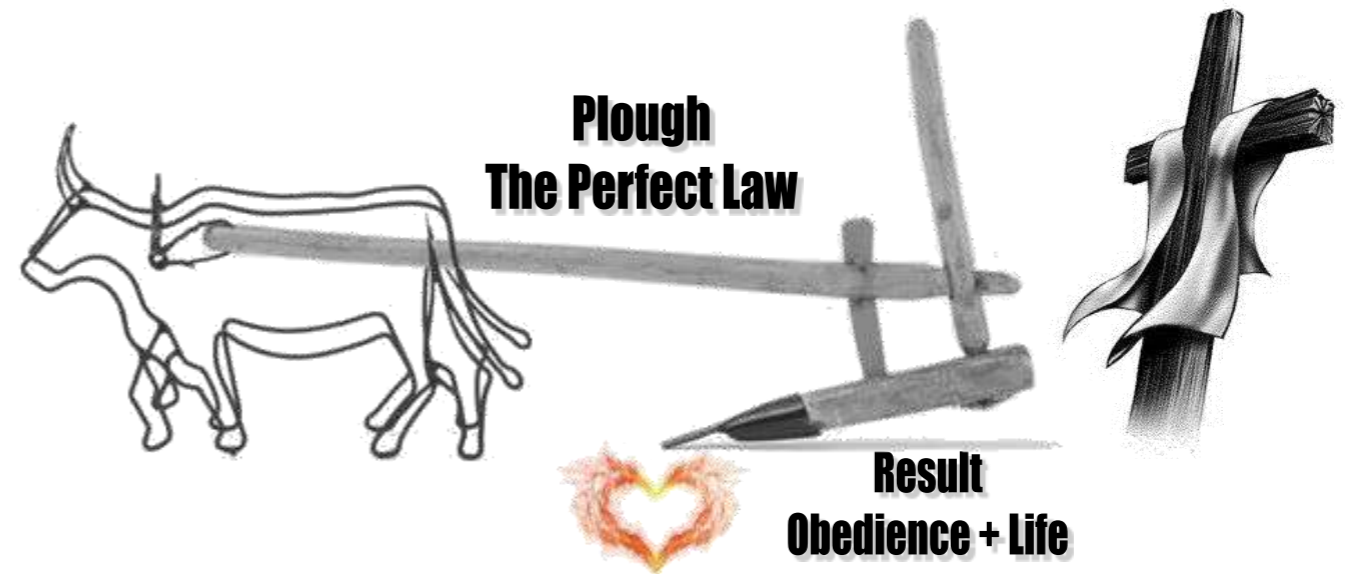
THIS IS THE SUMMARY OF ROMANS 6-7

Please note that Romans 8:2 indicates that Paul is talking about two different Laws – one is God's Law and it is good. The other is the law of sin and death that Christ destroyed.

The Place of Law, Grace, Sin & Death



The Spirit of Truth proceeds from Him and leads us to all Truth. He guides us as the Stronger One. As we Obey His Leading, Life results – Spirit Life!



The Law now serves Christ, it will not go wrong for it is perfect – it is the plough that holds our yoke to Him so we can walk as He does! Further we have a new heart.

Who is Greater – The Law or the Giver of the Law? So Jesus paid the penalty for us and became our Master

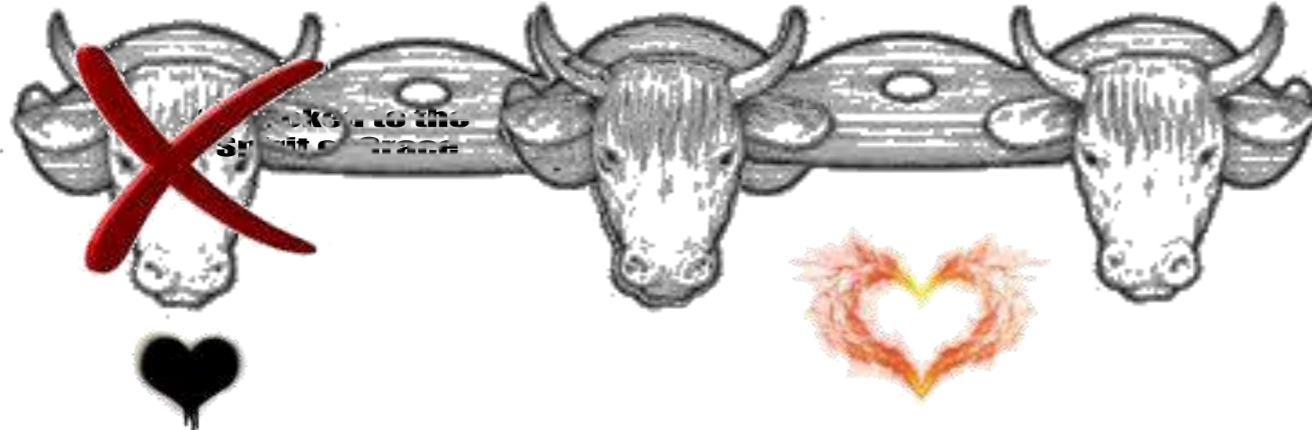
THIS IS THE SUMMARY OF ROMANS 8 (cf Matt 11:28-30)

The Place of Law, Grace, Sin & Death

Put to death my flesh

Got yoked to the Spirit of Grace

Accepted Christ as Master



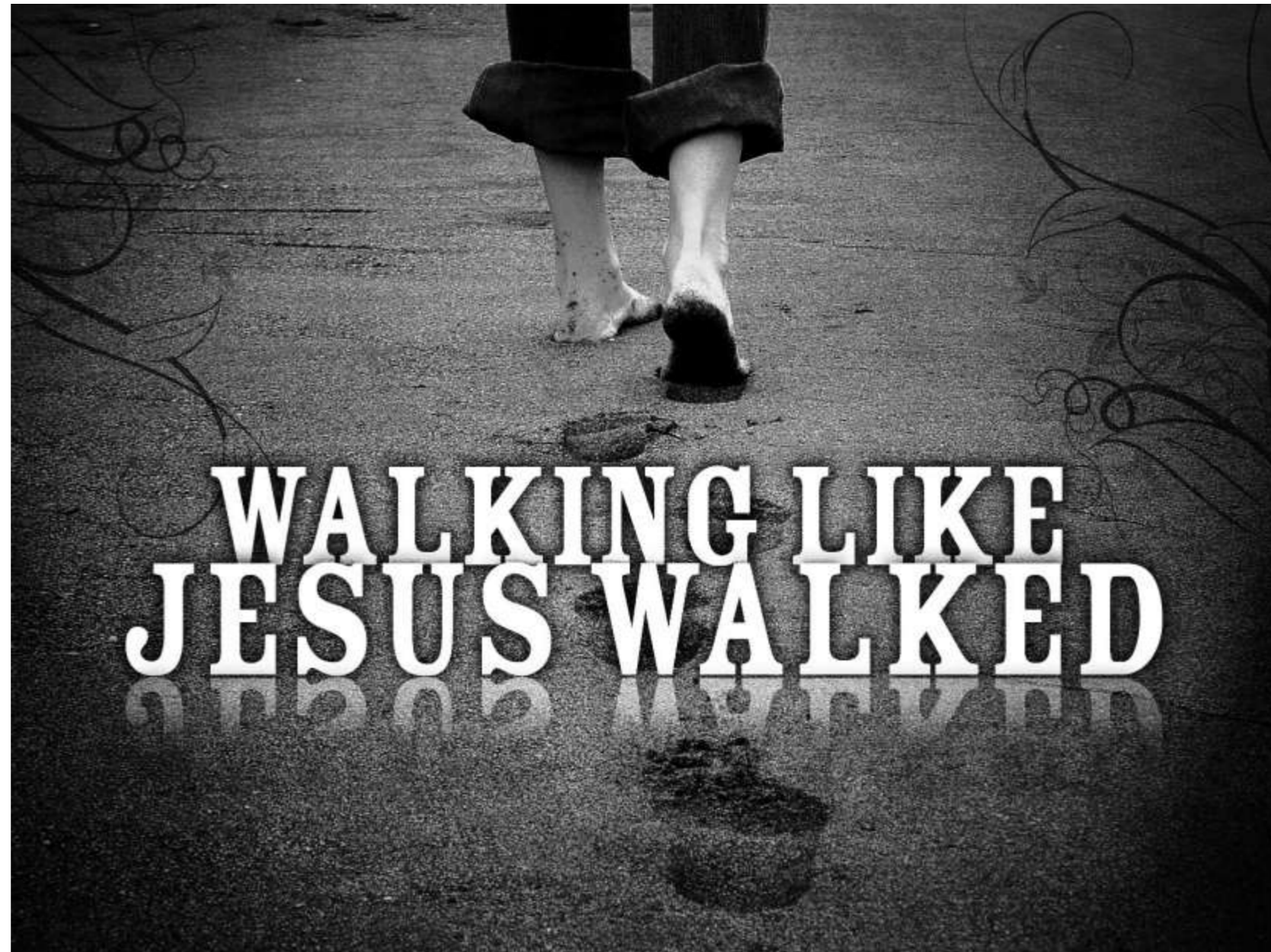
**That kept me from walking the straight path of the Perfect Law
The stony heart is removed**

**That empowered me to walk the straight path of the Perfect Law
The heart of flesh is given**



THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED AT OUR JUSTIFICATION

The Place of Law, Grace, Sin & Death



**THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED AT OUR JUSTIFICATION
THAT WE MAY WALK AS JESUS WALKED = SANCTIFICATION**

- † What shall we say then?
 - Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it?

- † What then?
 - Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know ... you are slaves of anyone whom you obey?

**RED:
STOP**




**MAKING
EXCUSES
FOR SIN**

Application Romans 6

- † What then shall we say?
 - That the Law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the Law I should not have known sin.
- † The Law is holy... just and good.
 - Did that which is good then bring death to me? By no means! It was sin working death in me...

**AMBER:
TAKE TIME TO
CHANGE
WRONG
PERCEPTIONS
OF GOD'S LAW**



Application Romans 7

† There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the Law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus has set me free from the Law of sin and death...

† ...Those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

† For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's Law, indeed it cannot.

GREEN:

GO



**FORWARD IN
OBEDIENCE,
EMPOWERED
BY GRACE**

Application Romans 8

- † The Spirit helps us in our weakness, interceding for us.
- † God's will for us is to be conformed into the likeness of His Son.
- † What then shall we say? If God is for us, who is against us? Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

**STAY
FOCUSSED ON
BECOMING
LIKE CHRIST
TO SILENCE
THE FLESH**

Application Romans 8

REMEMBER

- † God's Law isn't legalism!
- † ***Law without Grace = Legalism***
- † ***Grace without Law = Liberalism.***
- † ***The best Gospel preached is the Gospel lived out.***

CONCLUSION

- † **All creation is waiting for the revelation of God's children (Romans 8:18-25)**
- † **1 Cor 15:35-44; Matt 13:39-43; Daniel 12:2-3. The time is coming when how we have lived our lives will become either painfully or gloriously obvious to all. Will we be found as stars shining to full capacity?**