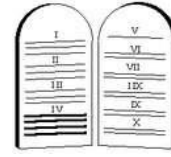


Wherefore Then Serveth the Law?



The Law Served as:

- The oracles/commandments (Ac 7:38; Rom 2:1-2) of the LORD to and for the Jew
Rom 3:19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law:
- A ruler for sin
Rom 3:20 ...for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin.
Rom 7:7 What shall we say then? *Is* the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet.
Gal 3:19 Wherefore then *serveth* the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; *and it was* ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator.
- The means of the righteousness of God for the Jew
Deut 6:25 And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before the LORD our God, as he hath commanded us.
Psalm 119:172 My tongue shall speak of thy word: for all thy commandments *are* righteousness.
Rom 9:31 But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness.
Rom 3:21 But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets;
Rom 10:4 For Christ *is* the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.
Phil 3:9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:
- A spokesman of things to come
Mat 11:13 For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.
Luke 24:44 And he said unto them, These *are* the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and *in* the prophets, and *in* the psalms, concerning me.
- A schoolmaster leading to salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ
Gal 3:24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster *to bring us* unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

The Law's Failure as a Servant:

- In giving life
Gal 3:21 *Is* the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law.
Rom 8:3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: