

GOD DOES NOT OBEY THE LAW

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Greetings: It is a blessing for me to come to you and bring you the Gospel of God's grace. I'm still in Western Zambia preaching the Gospel, building a mission station, bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ to people. It's an honor for me to bring the Good News to you today.

Helena and I are planning to go back to South Africa on the 19th of January unless things change, we will be driving back on that day. I'm really looking forward to getting back to South Africa again and just meet up with our local Church people and get back into my studio and make recordings and share the Gospel as well as traveling to different churches people that have invited me to preach and bring the Gospel to their fellowships. It will be great to do that!

I want to bring to your attention that we will be in the United States in the beginning of November. I'll just provide the link for you in the description of our video. Please click on that link and see if you can meet with us. We will be in Missouri and we are going to just have a wonderful time bringing the Gospel of God's grace. Look at the link and see if you can join us. I think it is within the first week of November. I haven't given much attention to that meeting that is coming. I've been really busy here in Zambia but it has been set up. I'm going to be ministering there together and be doing it together with Greg Henry and just a group of people that he's got to be together with online as well as the local church and dynamic love ministries internet fellowship and all of us. We are just coming together as a family, braided together in the goodness and the kindness of God, in this message, this Gospel of grace. So, check that out.

Before we get into our service, let us pray together:

Father, I want to thank You that we can be here together, that we can gather around your Gospel, Your Good News, and as I just bring the simple message of the power of the Resurrection, the power of Your grace, Your kingdom, that has come to this Earth so that we can live, not by the Law but by the Spirit. That everybody, as I minister this may be deeply blessed by this message, encouraged in Your Good News and they will continue to walk in the Spirit. Thank You, Father, that life is by the Spirit so let us rather walk, have our life, through the Spirit of the resurrection and so we share in Your kingdom. Thank You for that Lord! Amen and amen

Yesterday, as I was speaking to somebody, we were talking about the law and the fulfillment of the Law. We were talking about tithing. This person loves the tithing teaching and he firmly believes in tithing and the Church group also believes in tithing. We were just in a vehicle talking about tithing and what the scripture says about it.

Now, most of you know that I've written the book called, "Jesus is the Tithe" where I explained that the Old Testament type and shadow of eating food in the remembrance of

God. Where tithing was something that you ate in remembrance of God that it was under the law and a type and a shadow of Jesus Christ that is to come. That Jesus Christ is basically the fulfillment of the tithe in that He fulfills that type and that shadow. He is the meat that came to the storehouse. He is what we eat in remembrance of God as what was described in Deuteronomy and so forth.

Now, in our discussion, we talked about the law and this person's argument is this: Unless a law is specifically mentioned in the New Testament as fulfilled, it is not fulfilled and continues. Then what he said is the tithe is nowhere mentioned by Paul as fulfilled. Therefore, tithing remains in the New Testament. I obviously asked a question about a woman that menstruates and some of the Old Testament dietary laws and so forth and where that was not mentioned in the New Testament that continue and the person says he will go and have to look at that. Now we all know that the Old Testament law under which the tithe was, like the Bible says in Matthew 23:23, says that you have given tithes of mint and dill and anise and so forth but you have neglected the weightier matters of the law. Taking the tithing is under the law.

Now, I don't want to talk about tithing today but just mention a little bit about this year and it's interesting. So, it's clearly Jesus Christ, in His own words, declared tithing as a matter of the law. He did not say, "Well it was before the law came therefore it's under grace" or any of those things. He simply says that it is not the weightiest matter of the law but it is a matter of the law. It is under the law and they should have done the one and the other one and so forth. And He showed the hypocrisy in their hearts telling them they actually need a Savior and that is what that message in Matthew 23 is all about. They are needing a Savior. Their righteousness doesn't qualify. They need a higher righteousness. That righteousness would be the righteousness of simply believing that God can give you eternal life as a free gift.

Now, in this conversation with this person, I went on and I asked the person this question: "Does God obey the law?" Now, I think it is a valid question. I think it is something that each one of us should ask ourselves, "Does God obey the law?" In other words, if we talk about Jesus Christ Himself, the Son of God, the fullness of the God bodily, the perfect example of a man, the perfect human, that which humanity is all about, that which God had in mind for humans, the end goal of what God has dreamed for humanity, that was attained in the man, Jesus Christ. If you look at Him as God's word, God's message, God's action, what God wants from every human being, what God brings to every human being, the question is, "Did Jesus obey the law where He is today?" No. My answer would be that Jesus does not obey the law. Jesus doesn't get up in the morning and He says, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your mind, all your soul and all your strength. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. You shall keep the Sabbath." You will do all those kinds of things and then He obeys the law and as when He obeys the law, He's declared righteous in His obedience to the law.

Jesus has a life that is higher than the law. The Bible says that the law is for the unrighteous. It is not for the righteous. So here we find Jesus Christ, the life that He

possesses, is higher than the law. The Lord has a life against which there is no law. The law will not find anything wrong with His life but He is not trying to obey the law.

Let me put it this way: If you go and read the Koran, for instance, you will find that there are certain laws there on how you should treat your neighbor and how you should love people and those kinds of things. And if you then look at me, a Christian, who I am not even observing the Ten Commandments. I'm simply having the life that is born from the Holy Spirit. You'll find that there are laws in the Muslim scriptures, in the Muslim faith, that they would say that I am obeying. I'm doing those things. I'm loving people. I'm kind. I'm generous and whatever you want to call it. It is the life I live. You find that the Koran doesn't have anything against my life but that doesn't mean that I am observing the Muslim laws. I'm not observing the Muslim laws. I have a life from a different source. The life that I have, the source that gives me life, is completely different to those scriptures. Those scriptures don't have anything against my life so I don't read the Koran. I don't know the laws of the Koran. I'm not interested in observing any of those. I think it would be a good thing if I, maybe, read that book and just have a little bit more knowledge of it. I have read some of it in my life before but I'm not really familiar with that. When I say that it is good to read it will simply be to have more knowledge about it like you would read any news article or anything of any other faith to know what it is about.

The life I live, although those scriptures don't have anything against my life, I'm not even knowledgeable about what those scriptures say. I'm not trying to obey it. I'm not trying to live it. I have a life that is even above it. The life Source that I have is one that is good. I'm not observing the law. I'm sharing in the life of God. Now that is how God lives and the beautiful thing is that He has come to give us His life. So, we don't live from a place and I think this is what Paul was trying to say in Galatians chapter 3 and Galatians chapter 5. What he was saying is, that those who walk according to the Spirit, there is nothing against in the law, against their life. They're not trying to obey the law. They're not looking at what does the scriptures say, what must I do? They simply find that in their life there is an abundance, there is a goodness, there is a counsel that comes forth because of God. That is what this is all about. It is a goodness that is because of God. So, circumstances do not dictate to that person how he will act and how he would live because his life source is from God. It's from the eternal. And that is what Christianity is all about. It is about God giving us His life... allowing us to share in His life. At the end of the day, I don't think Christianity is about we just living a good life. It is about us sharing in His life.

If we think of the Muslim faith and the Christian faith and we think of the laws that there are in the Muslim faith and people that would now obey those laws and live a very good life... they are kind. They are good. They are all those kinds of things. I've met Muslim people that really live very devout lives, maybe holy lives, friendly, good people that stick to the law. You know, obviously, everybody breaks the law somewhere but I mean they are very good people compared to some Christians that I've met. I would say that they lived better lives.

Now, if you look at those lives that those people live, those are lives that are born from obedience to the scriptures. I don't think it can be compared to a life that is simply born

from God. I could call it this way: We can put it like this: You can teach a parrot to bark like a dog. The other day I saw a little video that someone sent to me of a parrot that barks just like the dog. Man, it really sounds like a dog but that parrot will never know what it is to be a dog. He has no clue. The only thing the parrot knows is what it is to be a bird. That's all. A bird that is a bird that imitates sounds and then he can make the sound of a dog and all he knows is he knows what it is to be a parrot. That's all he knows. He doesn't know what it is to be a dog. He doesn't know the desires of a dog. He doesn't know the passions of a dog. He doesn't know what a dog thinks or feels. He cannot have the life of a dog. It's impossible because he is a bird.

In the very same way when it comes to a holy life, God has not intended for any one of us to try and parrot the life of Jesus Christ. He has come to share His life with us. He's come to be the Father of our life and the only way wherein we can have the life of God is if God gives birth to that life. Now, the beautiful thing that we have as Christians is we have the faithfulness of God, the kindness of God towards us wherein God brings forth His life in us. That is what He has promised us from the beginning. He's promised us His life. That is what the scripture says in John 1:12. It is a well-known scripture. I read it often. It is just something very powerful, very beautiful.

John 1:

9 *The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.* (So, there was a true light that enlightens every man. What does He enlighten every man with? Is it with the knowledge of the law, knowledge on how you should live? No! He enlightens you with the very life of God! So, He doesn't enlighten you as what we would say people are enlightened today... simply meaning that they have knowledge. We know more today than many years ago. There was a time when people thought the Earth was flat. Now we all know that the Earth is round. We are enlightened. Or, there were people in the old South Africa living under the apartheid system. They were not enlightened. They lived in darkness but now they have a democracy. Now they are enlightened because they have come to the knowledge of how they should now live... having better knowledge. Now, the enlightenment that the scripture here talks about is an enlightenment that would enlighten every man. That would mean, and according to John what this meant is, there was a light that came into the world that would give the very light of life to Jew or Gentile. That's what every man there means in context.

So, when it comes to the life we have, we're not obeying the law. We are enlightened with the very life of God. That means that the power of our holiness is found in the very existence of God. Now, that is very, very powerful! That means, if you really calculate, come to the bottom-line conclusion and you calculate life inside that parameter, you cannot but conclude that you have to have eternal life in every part of you. Glory to God!

10 *He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.*

11 *He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.*

12 *Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God---* That word, ***right***, there, means the authority or the

power. So, what he is saying here is that there were people that did not receive him. The Jewish people did not receive Him. The world at that time did not recognize who He was. They did not acknowledge this is the Son of God. They did not do that even after the resurrection they were fabricating lies. But we see here that to each one that has accepted and believed upon Him, believed upon His name, in other words, acknowledge that He is Jesus the Christ, in other words, the Savior, the Messiah, the Lord (If you use the Greek term there), the Lord, the Ruler of Heaven and Earth. This man that He rules with His life over us and that the kingdom of life has come to us, we have believed upon that, He's given unto us the right, or the power, to be born of God— to have a life born of God! That is why we are above the Law. God's life does not observe the law. His life is higher than the law, He has a life against which there is no law. What freedom! I mean Jesus Christ, and I am just using human terms here. if He wakes up in the morning, He's not thinking, "What should I do?" No, He lives the fullness of God. He is and carries the fullness of God bodily. And that is the life that God has come to share with us.

He has not come to teach us in the sense of rules and regulations on how to live. He's come to teach us the love of God, the life of God. This is the way He teaches us how to live a holy life. The way He teaches us is by giving us that life! You know, if you are a fisherman and you want to teach somebody how to fish you can give him a few tricks of the trade you know: This is what you do. This is how you put on bait, and so forth. But if you want to teach somebody, truly, how to fish, the best way would be if you are a fisherman at heart, if you love fishing, if you can take what is in your heart, if you can take your life and you and transplant it into the heart and the mind of the other person, then it would be a natural fisherman. And then when you give him directions on how to put on bait and those kinds of things, what you are actually doing is you are revealing to him what is inside him. And that will come very natural for him. That is just the way it is. I've looked at people that are gifted at certain things. When they are gifted at certain things, you don't have to teach them a lot. It's a logic that is already inside them and when you tell them how it would work, you can see that the light has gone on. They understand. You're halfway through the sentence and you can see in the person's eyes that they already know what to do.

For a person that is, let's say a carpenter at heart, if he doesn't know how to do a certain thing and he watches a YouTube video, he can just watch the beginning, the middle and the end, and a 20-minute video he can watch in one minute and you'll know what to do and then he'll go and he'll do it. He, in his intuition, in his knowing, he will know what the wood would do under certain circumstances. He will know how to solve problems with it because it is just inside him and that is how God has come to teach us His life. He's come to enlighten us with His very life so that we, from our being, from our nature, share in what His life is. It's just logical. It's normal because He has brought it forth in us. That kind of a life is completely different to a life where we are observing laws. That is the life that I believe that most of the scriptures in the New Testament is written in especially if you go and look at Galatians.

The letter to the Galatians is a letter from Paul where there are people that, basically, after they've come to the faith, didn't know what they have. And now that Paul directs

them, I believe change would have easily come to them because there was a logic inside them that would say, "This makes sense and that doesn't make sense." So, it was saying to them, "Listen, man, you received the Holy Spirit by simply believing what you have heard."

Now, what have they heard? They've heard that Jesus Christ died. They've heard that He was raised from the dead. They've heard that He ascended on high. They've heard that the kingdom of God has now entered into the world, that Jesus is Lord and He rules. And then they believed it. When they believed it, they found the Lord, which is the Spirit poured out on them. The Spirit of life, the very life of the man, Jesus, was poured out in these people in Galatia and they found that they had a change of life. They had signs, wonders and miracles as well as the simple fruit of the Spirit which is the life of God manifesting in them, living from a much higher level as obedience to laws. Now, if the life that I have is not a life when I am obeying the law in order to have life, it means I am not judged by the Old Testament Law because I'm not living by that law.

The only thing that the Old Testament law does is it simply points to everyone who wants to live by his own power, that he does not have the life of God and that he should knock on Heaven's door and ask for life because the only life there is, that is of God, is of God, and then we receive it as a free gift.

Now, imagine how much God has loved us that He has lavished His very life on us! He's lavished us in this, that He has freely given us who He is. This is the message that we are preaching here in Western Zambia and I want to tell you that it is very rewarding to preach in an area where the message of God's grace has not really been preached. Or, let me put it this way: I've been preaching here for many years and there is also a local pastor here that has been preaching grace for many years. But, when you work in circles where it has not been ministered, when you preach there, the message of life is sucked up by those people as what water is on a dry piece of land. It just runs into it and immediately you see flowers coming forth. Immediately you start to see an effect and now our objective is to continue to teach and train this people up in the message of Grace and obviously get more people to come to this area and provide a mission station where different people that love this message can come. That they can live here for certain periods of time, be it one week, two weeks, or a month or a year or whatever it is and minister to these people and see the beautiful fruit that is coming forth here.

We preach the simple message and the power of this is astounding! It's absolutely devastating to a system that wants to be driven by works because people are being set free and we find joy and freedom come to people's hearts. But it is life-giving to everyone who grabs a hold of this and we just see this simple message that I've preached to you today, the message of the kingdom of God that has come to the Earth... That His life has come to the Earth! This is what we minister here and we see massive change! And this is what you've experienced over many years hearing this Gospel of grace.

And all that I want to do in this short, simple, message today is I want to remind you and see that you continue to think along the lines that life is a gift from God and the life that

we have is not a life where we are obeying laws but where we are sharing in the life of God. That is what it is.

Galatians 3:10 It says here and this is the beautiful thing:

For all who rely on the works of the law are under a curse, as it is written: "Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law."

Now, if you want to be the people of God by obeying the law, you are going to find out that you are pointed out as not the people of God. And if you look at this passage clearly, it says that it curses everyone that is under the law. It goes on, it says that if you are reading Galatians, especially Galatians 5, it says that the law and the Spirit are contrary to one another, so you cannot do what you want. Now, what he is saying is that if we try to obey the law, we cannot do what we truly want and what we truly want, in our inner man, is to share in the life of God. You'll never share a life of God by your own power. It is God sharing it and giving it to us and so we live above the system wherein we, as an outsider, try to parrot the life of Jesus. **God has not come to get us to a place to live like Jesus.** His objective is not for us to live like Jesus. His objective is to give us the life of Jesus and there's a big, big difference in that!

We can just read this in Galatians chapter 3 as well and this is powerful.

Galatians 3:

1 You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? Before your very eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed as crucified.

2 I would like to learn just one thing from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by believing what you heard?

3 Are you so foolish? After beginning by means of the Spirit, are you now trying to finish by means of the flesh?

What he is saying simply is that these people that try to obey the works of the law in order to have life, they were in the flesh. So, what does it mean to be in the flesh? "In the flesh" simply is to try to observe the law and so find life. Now I do believe that we can serve the law should we see that the law is pointing us to Christ and then as you believe in Jesus Christ and have a life born from Him, the whole purpose of the law is fulfilled in us.

A friend of mine, a supporter of Dynamic Love Ministries, said something interesting to me on Facebook. They said that in the countries where they live, the biggest thing that they see in most of the Charismatic churches, not just Charismatic churches, but a broad spectrum of churches, is that people have this in mind: What Christianity is about is to see how we can live a prosperous, a financially prosperous, life in this earth and make sure that we can go to heaven one day. That is all that it is about. It's building a mansion for yourself in heaven, through your works, through your tithing, through everything. Instead of knowing that the kingdom of God has come to Earth.

The gospel is not about how we can get to heaven one day. The gospel is the good news that heaven has come to Earth! And that as Heaven has come to Earth, the life of Heaven is being shared with you and we can be partakers of the very life of God by the gift of

God! So, that we can feel what it feels like to be like Him! That is God's dream. We will never know what it is like to be like Him unless He comes and makes His dwelling inside us and He shares it with us by Him fulfilling His promise towards us. That's the only way that we can partake in that.

I can say to you that it is wonderful for Helena and I to be here in Zambia and I can tell you that we are not without problems here. We're living in a normal world. Whatever country you are in there are normal things. But as we live here now for almost three months and we've been preaching and working here, we are just sharing in the life of God and guess what... when we go back to South Africa, what will happen there? We will just continue to share in the life of God! It's not the place where we are that gives us life. It is just the life we have is being lived here and this is a place where we see people very hungry for this message and we are sharing in the joy that God has when He sees people's lives change. That is it! We are sharing in a different place. When I'm in South Africa and we have an established Church there and an established Teaching Ministry, we are seeing people coming to a deeper understanding of the Gospel, and we are not seeing people receiving Jesus every day as we are seeing here in Zambia. But we share in a different part of the joy that is in God than again back in South Africa or when we travel. So, we are going to the United States at the end of this year. It is a life where we share in the life of God, where we live free from condemnation. We are not condemned to the life of the flesh. We are sharing in the very life of God! The Gospel is the Good News that His Kingdom has now come to the Earth. As we believe upon it, we are partaking in this Kingdom. We are partaking in this life! Glory to God!

It's wonderful to know that we have a life that is way above what is happening in the world. The world is not the source of our life. Politics is not the source of our life. What this world is about is not the source of our life. We have a different Source. We are in this world and then live as and shining forth the light which is Christ as Christ, live in us! It's an effortless life! It is God's life towards us! Amen and amen

Well, that's the message that I want to share with you today. I want you to know that you are deeply loved by God! You are cared for by God. He smiles over you. His dream has been not for you to parrot His life. His dream has been to live in you... and please, don't think that if you've believed upon Jesus and you've experienced the Spirit bring forth a new life in you, maybe it's been years ago and now you are still living the Christian life. an enemy will try to tell you, "Listen man, this is just you living a Christian life. This is just your culture. This is how you grew up. This is what you know is the right thing to do and it is basically you living a good life." Don't listen to that lie! You are sharing the very life of God! The life you have, as a believer in the Gospel of Grace, the goodness of God is a life that comes and originates from God! And as we find that the Church in Galatia was tempted by some people and some preachers and even situations to get back to the old system and that people did fall back into the old system, there remains that temptation for us today and we know this: The Bible says, "Lord, lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil." And then I like the next part! It says, "For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory" So what He is simply saying there is we are saying, "God, thank You that you remove temptation from us. Thank You that You remove evil from us

because Yours is the kingdom.” What’s basically saying is it’s only You that can deliver us from evil. It is only You that can take this temptation away from us and bring life to us. Nothing else can take it away! No institution...no organization... nothing we do! It’s only God and what we do is we simply stand under Him!

So, let us continue to know that we are deeply loved by God. We are cared for by God. We’re not obeying the law. We are sharing in the authentic life of God and let no one, neither yourself, try to convince you and say to you, “Well, you know, I better start to shape up and do the right thing.” If you are there, rather go and say, “Lord, I want to share in Your life. Show me Your life.” And you will be enlightened with the very life of God as you behold God’s message about you, and for you, which is Jesus seated at the right hand of God. Amen and amen

I would like for you if you’ve watched this and you’ve got a passion in your heart for evangelism or outreach, I know it’s not for everybody to go into the African Bush or a third world country and preach the Gospel there. But if you have any passion towards that and you feel an unction in your heart to partake in an outreach in any form or fashion, and you would like to come to a Kalabo area where we are and just partake in this... maybe you are a pastor of a church and your church group want to do an outreach somewhere and you want to do something like that, please come to contact with us. Contact me. We can talk about something like that in the future. It would be wonderful to have people out here. If we do it together then I will be here as well and I would take the people, train them in the Gospel of grace, teach the grace to the very team, the group of people that come. And then with people who are already here that know how to work with teams of people that come in from different countries, go out in the villages. Stay there for a few days, minister the Gospel to those people and just experience something that you’ve never experienced before. That will be life- changing to you... or I would rather use these words: a life revealing to you as well as to those that will be seeing what God does in and through you. Glory to God!

Well, I we will check in again this Monday as I post daily devotionals. Know that you are deeply loved by God and cared for by Him. You are special to Him. You are His child. Your life is authentic. You are His! Am