



Lawless

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Introduction:

- Religion and rules
- Doing rules better

I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. And if I do what I do not want to do I agree that the law is good

Romans 7:15-16

What aretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Romans 7:24-25

Religion vs. Relationship

1. Religion

- The law can't help us be better _____
- The law gives us a _____ - _____
- Approaching God through the law is our _____, but it eventually leads to our _____

For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by flesh, God did...

Romans 8:3

For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace.

Romans 6:14

2. Relationship

- Living _____
- I must _____ law to live under _____
- An _____ relationship with Jesus produces _____ in my life

I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

John 15:5

So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. The acts of the flesh are obvious...

Galatians 5:16-19

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

Galatians 5:22-25

My Next Step: (to be "in step" with God)

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