

Dear Brothers in Christ

I was Just thinking about where we are in Christ, and in the kingdom of God. Time is coming to a close and some of us are still in the same place we were ten and even twenty years ago. It was a great thing that we began this race in Christ Jesus, but I believe Christ is looking for strong finishers, not just strong beginners. I talked about seeking first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, but seeking is something I don't see a lot of Christians doing. The word seek, is to uncover, dig up, go after, with all ones heart. The word seek means searching for something until you find it, it is not a overnight thing, it could take days, months, and even years. But you know, finding what you are looking for is meaningless if you do not put what you learn to use in your life. So I would like to share with you my seeking out on Grace VS the Law. It seems to me we know Grace just as unmerited favor, and we stop there. Grace is, and comes in the **Person of Jesus Christ, and the finished work of the Cross**. Is that unmerited favor, yes it is, but do you know what Jesus done for you on the Cross that gives you that unmerited favor? I do not write just to write, I write, so hungry people can have the opportunity to change their lives. What I write is about fifteen years of searching, and walking this life out. I must add it also brings a lot of misunderstanding with the religious people around me. They love religion, and tradition, but it seems a lot of them miss Christ altogether to me, His own people did too. So lets start out looking at some scriptures you will not hear a lot of Pastors preach on to set the people free. There is a freedom in Christ a lot of us have not found in our lives, right now hallelujah!!!! You do not have to wait until you die to **experience freedom in Christ Jesus**, you can have it now, not next week, not next month, not even tomorrow, you can be free right now hallelujah!!!! Let go.

John 1:17 (American Standard v)

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John 1:17 (1965 Bible in Basis Eng)

17 For the law was given through Moses; **grace and the true way of life are ours through Jesus Christ.**

Galatians 4:1-7 (American Standard v)

1 But I say that so long as the heir **is a child**, he differeth nothing from a bondservant **though he is lord of all;**
2 but is **under guardians and stewards until** the day appointed of the father.
3 So we also, when we were children, were held in bondage under the rudiments of the world:
4 **but when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law,**
5 **that He might redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.**
6 And because **ye are sons**, God sent forth the Spirit of **His Son into our hearts**, crying, Abba, Father.
7 So that thou art no longer a bondservant, **but a son**; and if a son, then **an heir through God.**

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2 But is **under keepers and managers till** the time fixed by the father.
3 So we, when we were young, were kept under the first rules of the world;
4 **But when the time had come, God sent out His Son, made of a woman, made under the law,**
5 **That He might make them free who were under the law, and that we might be given the place of sons.**
6 And because **you are sons**, God has sent out the Spirit of **His Son into our hearts**, saying, Abba, Father.
7 So that you are no longer a servant, **but a son**; and if a son, then **the heritage of God is yours.**

Galatians 3:10-14 (American Standard v)

10 **For as many as are of the works of the law are under a curse:** for it is written, **Cursed is every one who continueth not in **all things** that are written **in the book of the law, to do them.****
11 **Now that no man is justified by the law before God, is evident: for, The righteous shall live by faith;**
12 **and the law is not of faith;** but, He that doeth them shall live in them.
13 **Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us;** for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:
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Jesus; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

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10 **For all who are of the works of the law are under a curse:** because it is said in the Writings, **A curse is on everyone who does not keep on doing all the things which are ordered in the book of the law.**

11 **Now that no man gets righteousness by the law in the eyes of God, is clear; because, The upright will be living by faith.**

12 **And the law is not of faith;** but, He who does them will have life by them.

13 **Christ has made us free from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us:** because it is said in the Writings, A curse on everyone who is put to death by hanging on a tree:

14 **So that on the Gentiles might come the blessing of Abraham in Christ Jesus; in order that we through faith might have the Spirit which God had undertaken to give.**

Ephesians 2:4-10 (American Standard v)

4 **But God, being rich in mercy,** for His great love wherewith **He loved us,**
5 **even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace have ye been saved),**

6 **and raised us up with Him, and made us to sit with Him in the heavenly places, in Christ Jesus:**

7 **that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus:**

8 **for by grace have ye been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God;**

9 **not of works,** that no man should glory.

10 **For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God afore prepared that we should walk in them.**

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6 **So that we came back from death with Him, and are seated with Him in the heavens, in Christ Jesus;**

7 That in the time to come **He might make clear the full wealth of His grace in His mercy to us in Christ Jesus:**

8 Because by grace you have salvation through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is given by God:

9 **Not by works,** so that no man may take glory to himself.

10 **For by His act we were given existence in Christ Jesus to do those good works which God before made ready for us so that we might do them.**

For the law was given through Moses; **grace and the true way of life are ours through Jesus Christ.** John 1:17 (1965 Bible in Basis Eng)

This is a key verse that we should stop to look at, one covenant was given to Moses to give to Gods people because they did not want a personal relationship with God Himself. God loves relationships He is a relational type of God, but He is also a Holy God, with Holy standards. God gave the law to show us we could never in ourselves, and by ourselves meet His standard of Holiness. The law was given with conditions, that you obey all of them at all times, and the moment you broke one of the laws you where guilty of the whole law, all 613 of them. That's why it is call, the Book of the law, it is more then just 10, which are just subtitles to the 603 other laws that fall under the titles of the 10. Now the law did not only condemn you of your actions it also condemned you of your thoughts if they where bad too. How would you like to be perfect, without fault for 20 years, and then you messed up just by thinking something wrong? The law would no doubt condemn you for the last twenty years for that one wrong act. The law was not given to Moses for the people to keep, it was given to Moses to show the people they could never ever in themselves meet Gods standards. So the law was given to condemn us, and bring us to the end of ourselves, so we would reach out for Grace in the Person of Jesus Christ Himself **Hallelujah!!!!** **Grace and the true way of life are ours through Jesus Christ.** It is mine, it is mine in Jesus' Name it is mine Hallelujah!!!! By faith, and faith alone, do we claim the finished works of the cross, known as the Grace act of Christ. The law was put in place for me to see how much of a sinner I was without God on my side. But Grace came thought Christ to show me how righteous I have become because of Jesus Christ' act of Grace toward me on the cross **Hallelujah!!!!** Lets look at

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“The law was my keeper, my manager, and my schoolmaster, until Jesus came to take me, and adopt me, as His own **Hallelujah!!!!** “When the time came, God sent His own Son, Jesus, made of a woman, (Mary) made under the law,” **That He might make them free who were under the law, and that we might be given the place of sons.** I am not only free, but I am a son of God, **an heir through God**, can I get a witness here today **Hallelujah!!!!** I am Free, free to let Christ live His life in me, and through me, and redeemed me from me. How Good it is to be free. All I did was repent, Greek word Matanoeo, meaning to change your mind. **I changed my mind**. I am not trying to get to God through the works of the law. I am not trying to work hard enough to get God’s approval. I am not trying to produce anything out of my flesh for God. Which is no matter how good it is, still unacceptable. I am free to believe, and receive the finished work of Christ on the cross, by faith in my life. I have change my mind, I now believe it is all true, **Jesus died, and rose for me. Jesus became my substitute, Jesus took my place Hallelujah!!!! Jesus took my sins, my punishment, my pain, my sickness, my health, my poverty, and gave me His life, and wholeness Hallelujah!!!! I receive it in Jesus’ Name I receive.** I do not have to work for it, it is already done for me. All I have to do is believe, and receive it by faith in Jesus’ Name. For a long time I was under the law talking about Grace. I did not know that Grace canceled out the law, and the law if you choose to live by it will cancel out Grace. The law is my works in the flesh, while Grace is Christ Jesus’ works on my behalf. It’s all about Him, and what He has done for me. Everything you need to receive from Jesus, comes from the finish act, and work of Jesus on the cross, and Jesus being exalted to the right hand of the Father God in heaven. Do you want your sins forgiven? You can have it, because Jesus died on the cross. Do you want a new life? You can have it because Jesus rose from the dead. Do you want the outpouring of the Holy Spirit? You can have it because Jesus is Exalted on high, in heaven, on the right side of God Himself. All that I will receive from Jesus is all because of Jesus, and not because of me, or the things I can think up to do to get Gods attention, or to get Him (God) to think I am now good enough for His goodness and favor. So if you want the outpouring of the Holy Spirit all you need to do is get a revelation of the exaltation of our risen Savior Jesus Christ **Hallelujah!!!!** You do not need to tarry, you don’t have to pray all night, fast, and read until you fall asleep while waiting for the endowment. The emphasis is not on you, it is on our exalted Savior Jesus Christ and Him alone. The Holy Spirit is not poured out on us to prove how great we are, but to prove the greatness of the Son of the living God. The outpouring of the Holy Spirit is to prove the Lordship of Jesus Christ. The experience of this will come in our lives as we rest in the divine fact, and

revelation of the exalted one Jesus, who has done everything for us. All I can do is receive, and I do receive the works of Grace in my life right now in Jesus' Name. When I can see God objectively, (that is outside of me), exalted on the throne in heaven, then I will experience the power of the Holy Spirit upon me. When I can see Jesus Christ as Lord subjectively, (that is inside of me), as an effective Ruler within my life then I will, and can know the power of the Holy Spirit within me.
Hallelujah!!!!

Now to those who want to be under the law instead of Grace, the Bible says Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law. The law bring a curse upon everyone who can not fulfill the whole law at all times. Let look at Galatians 3:10-14 (1965 Bible in Basis Eng)

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For all who are of the works of the law are under a curse: the law comes with curses, but Grace comes with blessings. Which one do you really want in your life? No one has been able to fulfill the whole law but Jesus. He fulfilled it because He knew we could not, in all our efforts, and positive energy. **Christ has made us free from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us:** I will say it again Christ became our substitute on the cross. He became a curse for all of us Jews, and Gentiles alike. We have been set free from the curse of the law. So why do we want to put ourselves back under it? Why do we want to try to live in a impossibility no matter how hard we try? Besides, Christ has already fulfill it for me, and He is in me, so He has fulfilled it in me too. I can cease from trying to please God in my flesh, and trying to keep all the Book of the law for His acceptance. All I have to do is believe, and receive what Jesus Christ has done for me on the cross, and put all my trust in the Lord to manifest His Resurrection Power in my life. God is a Holy God, and His requirements have not changed or altered. But bless God, I am not the one who has to meet those requirements. Jesus did it for me on Calvary Hallelujah!!!!!! God is the lawgiver on the Throne in Heaven, but Jesus, and the Holy Spirit are the law keepers in my heart here in the earth. So what was so bad about the law that I needed to be free from it? I'm glad you asked. For the law was given

through Moses; **grace and the true way of life are ours through Jesus Christ.** The law was given to Moses to give to God's people because they did not want a personal relationship with God Himself. God will honor our request, if we reject Him He will reject us, at our request. The people wanted rules, and regulations instead of God Himself. Rules, and regulations are not personal, or relational, they are a list of works to obey, that condemns you when you mess up every time. The law even condemns the very thoughts I may be thinking in my mind. Remember the law was created to curse everyone who broke it, so the law condemns the best of us without a doubt. But it was God's way of getting a people to see, we in ourselves can not please a Holy God, and meet His standards at all times. God's law was, and still is here to bring us to the end of ourselves, to show us how much we really need Jesus Christ in our lives at all times. Something they did not have at the time. **But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, that He might redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.** Galatians 4:4-5 (American Standard v)

So we are the people of the Promise, not the people waiting for the Promise **Hallelujah!!!!** Lets get back to the law, and why we had to be redeemed from it. The law was our first Husband, we were married to it because they rejected a relationship with God, and to be married to Him for life. So Moses was a mediator between God, and the people of Israel to give them the rules, and regulations of the law. The main thing we need to know about the law is, the rule was you break it, you die. The law had no mercy for anyone, nor could it. The law's answer for all who broke it, was and is, condemnation, and death for all. The law required much, but offer no help in carrying out its requirements. The law made demands on the people they could not fulfill, and left them helpless. So how did we get free from the law? I'm glad you asked.

Galatians 2:19-21 (1965 Bible in Basis Eng)

19 For **I, through the law, have become dead to the law, so** that I might be living to God.

20 **I have been put to death on the cross with Christ;** still I am living; no longer I, **but Christ is living in me;** and that life which I now am living in the flesh **I am living by faith, the faith of the Son of God,** who in love for me, gave Himself up for me.

21 I do not make the grace of God of no effect: because **if righteousness is through the law, then Christ was put to death for nothing.**

Well how do you explain us dying with Christ? I won't, because it is received by faith when one believes on the finished works of the cross. Apostle Paul says in **2:20 of Galatians** **I have been put to death on the cross with Christ;** still I am living; no longer I, but Christ is living in me; and that life which I now am living in the flesh I am living by faith, the faith of the Son of God, who in love for me,

gave Himself up for me.

So Apostle Paul tells us we died with Christ on the Cross on Calvary, that is my flesh, my old man, my old way of thinking died with Christ. But I am alive, because I am living by faith, the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself up for me **Hallelujah!!!!!!** Romans 8:1

Romans 8:1-11(American Standard)

1 **There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus.**

2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus **made me free from the law of sin and of death.**

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:**

4 that the ordinance of the law **might be fulfilled in us,** who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

5 For they that are after the flesh mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

6 **For the mind of the flesh is death; but the mind of the Spirit is life and peace:**

7 because the mind of the flesh is enmity against God; for **it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can it be:**

8 **and they that are in the flesh cannot please God.**

9 **But ye are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you.** But if any man hath not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

10 **And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the spirit is life because of righteousness.**

11 But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead **dwelleth in you,** **He that raised up Christ Jesus from the dead shall give life also to your mortal bodies through his Spirit that dwelleth in you.**

For the law of the Spirit of life **in Christ Jesus made me free from the law of sin and of death.** I died in Christ Jesus to sin, but I became alive in God By the Holy Spirit of God, and now I have the mind of Christ working in me.

Philippians 2:5 (1965 Bible in Basis Eng) 5 Let this mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus. We do have the mind of Christ available to us by faith in the finished works of the cross, will you except it in your life today? Well since I am dead to the law, I am free to marry another, and that would be Christ Jesus, He is my second Husband that gives me life in Himself **Hallelujah!!!!** Because of Christ, my body is dead to sin, but my spirit has life because Christ has made me righteous **Praise God, Hallelujah!!!!!!** I am not living for Him, He is living in me.

11 But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead **dwelleth in you**, He that raised up Christ Jesus from the dead shall give life also to your mortal bodies through His Spirit that dwelleth in you. He is in me, He is in you. Lord make us conscious of Your ever dwelling presence in us. I receive Grace, and truth in my life, and I receive Your Holy Spirit dwelling inside of me. My body is Your temple, and the Throne room for your presence, forever lasting to ever lasting I am Yours in this earth. I am His dwelling place, but I know that Consecration must follow the Revelation of that fact of Him indwelling in me. The difference between victorious Christians, and defeated ones, is, some are conscious, and reverence the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit in them while others do not. Is the Holy Spirit there with them? Absolutely He is, but He will not take control of people that are still their own masters. If the Lord is your Master, the Holy Spirit will manifest in your life, the Holy Spirit has only one Master, that is God Himself. So if you really want the Holy Spirit to be the Master of your life; then a day must come in your lives that you give up all your rights to yourself, and submit to the absolute Lordship of Jesus Christ. There must come a day without reservation, or hesitation, when we surrender everything to the Lord. Our families, our possessions, our business, our time, and money. All must be entirely at His disposal. If we do not give Christ absolutely full control, and authority of our lives, He can be present, but not powerful inside of us. Is the Holy Spirit in control inside of you, or are you still master of your life? It's all up to you today to make a choice, who will be in charge of your life. We should be living by this scripture:

Romans 6:5-16 (1965 Bible in Basis Eng)

5 **For, if we have been made like Him in His death, we will, in the same way, be like Him in His coming to life again;**

6 **Being conscious** that our old man **was put to death on the cross with Him,** so that the body of sin might be put away, and we might no longer be servants to sin.

7 **Because he who is dead is free from sin.**

8 **But if we are dead with Christ, we have faith that we will be living with Him;**

9 Having knowledge that because Christ has come back from the dead, He will never again go down to the dead; **death has no more power over Him.**

10 **For His death was a death to sin, but His life now is a life which He is living to God.**

11 Even so **see yourselves as dead to sin, but living to God in Christ Jesus.**

12 For this cause **do not let sin be ruling in your body** which is under the power of death, so that you give way to its desires;

13 **And do not give your bodies to sin as the instruments of wrongdoing, but give yourselves to God, as those who are living from the dead, and your bodies as instruments of righteousness to God.**

14 **For sin may not have rule over you: because you are not under law, but under grace.**

15 What then? are we to go on in sin because **we are not under law but**

under grace? Let it not be so.

16 Are you not conscious that you are the servants of Him to whom you give yourselves to do His desire? if to sin, the end being death, or if to do the **desire of God, the end being righteousness.**

“ For, if we have been made like Him in His death, **we will, in the same way, be like Him in His coming to life again;** Being conscious that our old man was put to death on the **cross with Him,** so that the body of sin might be put away, and we might no longer be servants to sin. Because he who is dead is free from sin.” We are in Him, and He is in us living out His life through us. And because He did not sin, in his Body He is not looking to sin in our bodies. He is righteous, and because He is in us we are made righteous by His very presence being in us, when we give our bodies to Him, and allow Him to be in control of us.

We are not trying to do things for God in our flesh, we are empowered by God thru the Holy Spirit in us doing God's work for Him, in us **Hallelujah!!!!** It is no longer about what I can do for God. Its all about what Christ has already done for me. God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit want to live, and dwell inside of us, and do their work in us while we are in the earth. The question is, will we let them? Or will we keep living a defeated life in the Name of the Lord, because we are doing our work under the law that is cursed from the start. What are we going to do? Are we going to become more conscious of Christ, and the finished work at the cross, and be blessed. Or will we just continue in our own ways of the cursed law because we refuse to change, and get it right with God. God's ways are not mine , if I am still trying to do things my way.

Gods ways can be your way if you give yourself, your body over to Him to control. The fact is somebody is going to be in control, but it won't really be you. It will be God, or Satan in control of our lives, we are just vessels in which one, or the other will do there work. If you do not allow God in your life, Satan will not ask he will just come in, and take over. If God is not your choice, Satan will be. So what will it be? You must choose now!!!! Peace out G.B. one of God's sons