



*How to read the Bible  
for all it's worth*

# *The Law*



*Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, but whose **delight** is in the law of the Lord, and who **meditates** on his law day and night. That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither - whatever they do **prosper**.*

*Psalm 1.1-3*





1) The only estates in land which are capable of subsisting or of being conveyed or created at law are -

(a) An estate in fee simple absolute in possession;

(b) A term of years absolute.

(2) The only interests or charges in or over land which are capable of subsisting or of being conveyed or created at law are -

(a) An easement, right, or privilege in or over land for an interest equivalent to an estate in fee simple absolute in possession or a term of years absolute;

(b) A rentcharge in possession issuing out of or charged on land being either perpetual or for a term of years absolute;

etc etc etc





*"Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."*

*Matthew 22.36-40*

*But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify.*

*Romans 3.21*





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*'Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfil them.*

*....whoever practises and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.'*

*Matthew 5.17, 19b-20*

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*If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me.*

*John 5.46*

# *What does Jesus say about the Law?*

- ◆ *It's good*
- ◆ *He came to fulfill it*
- ◆ *It's righteous*

*A certain ruler asked him, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ..... You know the commandments: 'You shall not commit adultery, you shall not murder, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, honour your father and mother.*

*Luke 18.18,20*

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*But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.*

*Romans 3.21-22*



*Clearly no one who relies on the law is justified before God, because "the righteous will live by faith."*

*Galatians 3.11*

# *Which parts of the law apply to us today?*

- ◆ *Legal code*
- ◆ *Religious and ceremonial law*
- ◆ *Moral principles*

*I would not have known what sin was had it not been for the law.*

*Romans 7.7*

*The purpose of the law was to keep a sinful people in the way of salvation until Christ....came, inheriting the promises and distributing them to us.*

*Galatians 3.19 (The Message)*

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*Do not make idols or set up an image or a sacred stone for yourselves, and do not place a carved stone in your land to bow down before it. I am the Lord your God. Observe my Sabbaths and have reverence for my sanctuary. I am the Lord. If you follow my decrees and are careful to obey my commands, I will send you rain in its season, and the ground will yield its crops and the trees their fruit. Your threshing will continue until grape harvest and the grape harvest will continue until planting, and you will eat all the food you want and live in safety in your land.*

*Leviticus 26.1-5*

*I will grant peace in the land, and you will lie down and no one will make you afraid. I will remove wild beasts from the land, and the sword will not pass through your country. You will pursue your enemies, and they will fall by the sword before you. Five of you will chase a hundred, and a hundred of you will chase ten thousand, and your enemies will fall by the sword before you.*

*Leviticus 26.6-8*

