

"DO WE NEED SOME NEW LAWS TO LIVE BY?"

Matthew 5:17-20

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IN THIS TEXT JESUS TEACHES ABOUT...

1. ... _____ ON THE LAW THE PROPHETS.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them."

Matthew 5:17

[Paul]: *"Do we destroy the Law by our faith? Not at all! We make it even more powerful."*

Romans 3:31 (CEV)

2. ... _____ WE SHOULD FOLLOW THEM.

"I tell you the truth, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished."

Matthew 5:18

"that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ^[11] and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Philippians. 2:10-11

3. ...THE CONSEQUENCES OF _____.

"Anyone who breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 5:19

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

"So then, the law is holy, and the commandment is holy, righteous and good."

Romans 7:12

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4. ... A _____ TO UNDERSTAND THEM.

“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 5:20**

“For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight,....”

Romans 3:20 (ESV)

“But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction:²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus” **Romans 3:21-24 (ESV)**

AS JESUS' DISCIPLES, WHAT DO WE DO WITH THIS TEACHING?

1. R _____ THE LAW AS GIFTS OF GRACE FROM GOD.

2. A _____ TO LIVE BY THEM AS TRUTH FOR LIFE.

3. LIVE, TEACH, AND PRESERVE THEM AS _____.

4. BE SURE WE ARE TRUSTING JESUS TO MAKE US _____.