Romans Part 2 Lesson 5

REVIEW – What was chapter 6 about?

Chapter 6 – shows that believers are freed from sin and not under law but grace

6 KNOWING our old self was crucified with Him (Christ)

Our body of sin done away with

No longer slaves to sin

7 he who has died is **freed from sin**

8 died with Christ...we shall also live with Him

11 CONSIDER yourselves dead to sin...alive to God in Christ Jesus

13 PRESENT yourselves to God...alive from the dead, your members as instruments of righteousness to God

14...for you are not under law but under grace

18 having been **freed from sin**...became slaves of righteousness

22 enslaved to God...benefit...sanctification...outcome, eternal life

DAY FIVE

References to the Law in Romans 1-6

Romans 2:12-27

- 12 sin under the Law judged by the Law
- 13 Doers of the Law will be justified
- 14 Gentiles who do not have the Law, do the things of the Law,

15 show the work of **the Law** written in their hearts

17 bear the name "Jew", rely on the Law

23 boast in the Law, through your breaking the Law...dishonor God

Romans 3:19-31

19 **The Law** speaks to those under it, but calls all to be accountable to it.

20 by works of the Law no flesh will be justified...through the Law comes...knowledge of sin

28 a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law

Romans 4:13-16

13 The promise to Abraham and his descendants was <u>not made through the Law but through the</u> righteousness of faith.

14 For if those who are of the Law are heirs, faith is made void and the promise is nullified;

15 **The Law** brings wrath, but where there is no **law**, there is no violation.

16 For this reason *it is* by faith, in order that *it may be* in accordance with grace, so that the promise will be guaranteed to all the descendants, not only to those who are of **the Law**, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all,

Romans 5:13, 20

13 for until **the Law** sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is **no law**.

20 **The Law** came in so that the transgression would increase; but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more,

DAY TWO

Q3. What do you think is Paul's purpose of Romans 7?

It is to show the believer's relationship to the Law.

Key verse –v4 made to **die to the Law** through the body of Christ, so that you might be joined to ...Him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit of God

Q4. How did you summarize the message of Romans 7?

Possible chapter theme: Believers are dead to the Law

We are going to go through the chapter paragraph by paragraph.

V1-3: speaking to those who know the law

Law has jurisdiction over a person (only) as long as he lives

V4-6: you (believers) made to die to the Law...have been released from the Law

In verses 7-25: Paul share personally, note the repeated use of the word, "I".

V7-12: I came to know sin through the Law; the Law is good and holy

V13: through the commandment sin would become utterly sinful

V14-20: I am flesh, sold into bondage to sin; sin dwells in me

V21-25: set free through Jesus Christ our Lord

DAY THREE

Q2. a. Law $\underline{22+1}$ (the letter) commandment 6

(23, 25 refer to a different law, the law of my mind, the law of sin)

b. flesh 4

(5 while in the flesh, 14 I am flesh, 18 nothing good dwells in my flesh, 25 my flesh serving the law of sin)

- c. Spirit <u>1</u> (6 serve in newness of the Spirit)
- d. I (me, my) 35

Q3. What did you learn about God's law in this chapter?

V4 made to die to the Law through the body of Christ

V6 we have been released from the Law...so that we serve in newness of the Spirt

V7 come to know sin...through the Law

V8 apart from the Law sin is dead

V12 The Law is holy and the commandment is holy and righteous and good

V14 the Law is spiritual (from God)

V16 the Law is good

Q4. What is it like for those under the Law?

V5 in the flesh, the sinful passions, which were aroused by the Law were at work in the members of our body to bear fruit for death

V8 But sin, taking opportunity through the commandment, produced in me coveting of every kind V9 when the commandment came, sin became alive and I died

V10 and this commandment, which as to result in life, proved to result in death for me

V11 for sin, taking an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me...through it killed me

Q5. How or when are we released from the Law?

How—v4 through the body of Christ V23 through Jesus Christ our Lord When—v4 joined to Him

O6. What is it like for us after we are released from the Law?

V4 bear fruit for God

6 serve in newness of the Spirit (guided by the Spirit not the Law)

DAY FOUR

Q2. Why do you think Paul asks the question he does in Romans 7:7?

Is the Law sin? If the Law arouses sinful passions (v5)...is Law sin?

We need to have a correct understanding of the role of the Law.

Q3. What do you think Paul means in verse 8 when he says "apart from the Law sin is dead"? The Law said that coveting is sin. Coveting was not defined as sin until the Law said it was.

Q4. What did you learn about sin in this chapter?

V5 in the flesh, the sinful passions...were aroused by the Law, work in the members of our body to bear fruit for death

Q5. What did Paul say about his relationship to sin in Romans 7:7-25?

V7 I would not have come to know sin except through the Law

V8 sin taking opportunity through the commandment produced in me coveting of every kind

V9 when the commandment came, sin became alive and I died

V11 for sin, taking an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me...through it killed me.

V14 I am flesh, sold into bondage to sin

V17, 19, 20...sin which dwells in me

V23 I see a different law in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin which is in my members.

V25...on the other, with my flesh the law of sin

Q6. How does "the Law" affect Paul? Why?

V7 came to know sin through the Law

V9 alive apart from the Law, but when the commandment came, sin became alive and I died.

V16...I agree with the Law, confessing that the Law is good.

V22 I joyfully concur with the Law of God in the inner man

V25 with my mind am serving the law of God

DAY FIVE

We start with the use of the Law in chapters 1-6.

Now let's finish with the use of the Law in chapters 8-16.

8:2 For the **law** of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from **the law** of sin...of death. (note how this ties back to 7:23-25)

8:3 For what **the Law** could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God *did:* sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and *as an offering* for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh,

- **8:4** so that the requirement of **the Law** might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.
- **8:7** because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the **law** of God, for it is not even able *to do so*,
- 9:4 who are Israelites...and the giving of the Law and the temple service and the promises,
- 9:31 but Israel, pursuing a law of righteousness, did not arrive at that law.
- 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.
- **10:5** For Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on **law** shall live by that righteousness.
- **13:8** Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled *the* law.
- 13:10 Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.
- **Q3.** What do you learn in Galatians 3:19-29 about the Law?

Galatians 3:19-29

- 19 Why **the Law** then? It was added because of transgressions, having been ordained through angels by the agency of a mediator, until the seed would come to whom the promise had been made.
- 20 Now a mediator is not for one *party only*; whereas God is *only* one.
- 21 Is **the Law** then contrary to the promises of God? May it never be! For if a law had been given which was able to impart life, then righteousness would indeed have been based on **law**.
- 22 But the Scripture has shut up everyone under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.
- 23 But before faith came, we were kept in custody under **the law**, being shut up to the faith which was later to be revealed.
- 24 Therefore **the Law** has become our tutor *to lead us* to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith
- 25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor.
- 26 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.
- 27 For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.
- 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.
- 29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise.

Dead to the Law

- 7:4 Died to Law through Christ
- 7:6 Released from Law; serve God in newness of the Spirit
- 7:7 Law is not sin—shows what is sin
- 7:12 Law is holy, righteous, good
- 7:13 Law did not cause death—sin did
- 7:4 Law is spiritual
- 8:2 Law's requirements fulfilled by the Spirit