The New Testament/Covenant Part 1

The Old Covenant Has Been:

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- Abolished (Ephesians 2:15)
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Matthew 5:17

Do not think that I came to destroy the law or the prophets. I did not come to destroy but to **fulfill**

Ephesians 2:15

Christ Himself...abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances

Colossians 2:14

He wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. An He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross

Hebrews 7:18

For on the one hand there is an **annulling** of the former commandment because of its weakness and unprofitableness

Hebrews 8:13

In that He says, "A New Covenant," He has made the first **obsolete**

Acts 15:5

The Gentiles must be circumcised and required to keep the Law of Moses

Acts 15:24

Since we have heard that some who went out from us have troubled you with words, unsettling your souls, saying, "You must be circumcised and keep the law"—to whom we gave no such commandment—

Acts 15:10

Why do you test God by putting a yoke on the neck of the disciples which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

Galatians 5:3

I testify again to every man who becomes circumcised that he is a debtor to keep the whole law

Galatians 5:1-2

Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage. Indeed I, Paul, say to you that if you become circumcised, Christ will profit you nothing

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So what?

- What is our relationship to the Law of Moses?
- What are some practical examples of exemption?
- And what about the elephant in the room?

What is our relationship to the Law of Moses/the Old Covenant?

Galatians 2:19

For I through the law **died** to the law that I might live to God

Romans 7:4, 6

Brethren, you also have **died** to the law through the body of Christ

Romans 6:14

For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not **under** the law

Romans 7:1-6

The law has **dominion over** a man for as long as he lives...but we have **died** to the law through the body of Christ. Therefore we have been **delivered** from the law, having **died** to what we were **held** by

What are some practical examples of exemption?

Exemptions

- Sabbath keeping
- Tithing
- Diets
- Feasts

The Sabbath

Romans 14:5

One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind

Galatians 4:10-11

You observe days and months and seasons and years. I am afraid for you, lest I have labored for you in vain

Colossians 2:16-17

So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or **sabbaths**, which are a shadow of things to come, but the substance is of Christ

There Is No Relationship!

Tithing

2Corinthians 9:6-7

He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So **let each one give as he purposes in his heart**, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver

Diet

1Timothy 4:1-2

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to **deceiving spirits** and **doctrines of demons**, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron,

1Timothy 4:3

Forbidding to marry, and **commanding to abstain from foods** which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth

1Timothy 4:4-5

For every creature of God is good, and nothing is to be refused **if** it is received with thanksgiving; for it is sanctified by the Word of God and prayer

The Feasts of the Lord

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No Covenant Obligation To:

- Keep Sabbath
- Tithe
- Have a religious diet
- Keep the Feasts

Ten Commandments

Exodus 34:27

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Write these words, for according to the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with you and with Israel

Exodus 34:28

So Moses was there with the Lord forty days and forty nights...And He wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant, the Ten Commandments

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... Next Week:-)

Review

- The Old Covenant has been cancelled
- We've died to the law
- We are not under the law
- And the law has no dominion over us
- And so we have no obligation to its precepts and regulations