

Sermon Outline

Romans Series, Part 6: Freed from the Law (7:1-25)

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Main Idea: In part 6 of our Romans series, Paul continues to reveal the reality of the freedom that we have in Christ and His Gospel. In Kevin's sermon we unpack the wonderful truth that through our union with Jesus we've been freed from the law and its power to condemn.

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1. Dead to the law to serve in the Spirit (v1-6)
2. The role of the Law (v7-13)
 - I. It reveals sin
 - II. It activates sin
 - III. It condemns sin
 - IV. It is good
3. Life under the Law (v14-25)

Key Text/Quotes:

"Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God. For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old way of the written code." Romans 7:4-6

Fellowship Starters:

1. Read Romans 7:1-25 and open in prayer.
2. Like many things, the Bible speaks plainly about things that at times seem to contradict one another. The Law of God is such a topic. Is the Law good or bad? In Romans 7 Paul reveals BOTH ways in which the Law of God is good and holy and right for us to follow, and yet at times also "arouses our sinful passions" in ways that "bear fruit to death." Discuss what conclusions Paul makes about the Law and where true evil and death come from.
3. Discuss life before you knew God and how, by faith, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, a knowledge of God's Law brings life-giving illumination, conviction and grace to repent and walk in holiness.
4. Close in prayer, for one another.

