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WHEN CHRIST IS ENOUGH, WHY RETURN TO THE LAW?

One of the greatest dangers facing Christianity is not always open rejection of Jesus Christ. Sometimes the danger is adding something to Jesus Christ. The gospel declares that Christ died for our sins, was buried, and rose again. Salvation is offered to the sinner through faith in Him.

Yet throughout Christian history, people have repeatedly attempted to add human performance to the finished work of Christ.

- Believe in Jesus—but also keep this law.
- Trust Christ—but also observe this religious requirement.
- Receive salvation by grace—but maintain your standing with God through your performance.

The Apostle Paul confronted this very problem.

“O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you? This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?”

GALATIANS 3:1-3 (KJV)

Paul's question reaches directly into modern Christianity.

If we began by faith, why would we attempt to finish by Law?

The Law is not evil. Paul wrote:

“Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.”

ROMANS 7:12 (KJV)

The problem is not God's Law. The problem is sinful humanity attempting to use the Law for something God never designed it to accomplish—our justification.

The Law can reveal sin. The Law can define transgression. The Law can demonstrate God's righteous standard. But the Law cannot take a guilty sinner and make that sinner righteous before God. Only Christ can do that.

This issue of Soul-Talk Magazine will help every believer understand the trap and the consequences of legalism, and the glorious freedom we have in the grace of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

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To evangelize the lost, edify believers, and equip saints for the work of ministry through the uncompromised preaching and teaching of the Word of God.

OUR VISION

To see souls saved, believers established in truth, and the body of Christ united in what we believe and know about Jesus Christ.

SCRIPTURE FOCUS

“Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.”

EPHESIANS 3:21 (KJV)