



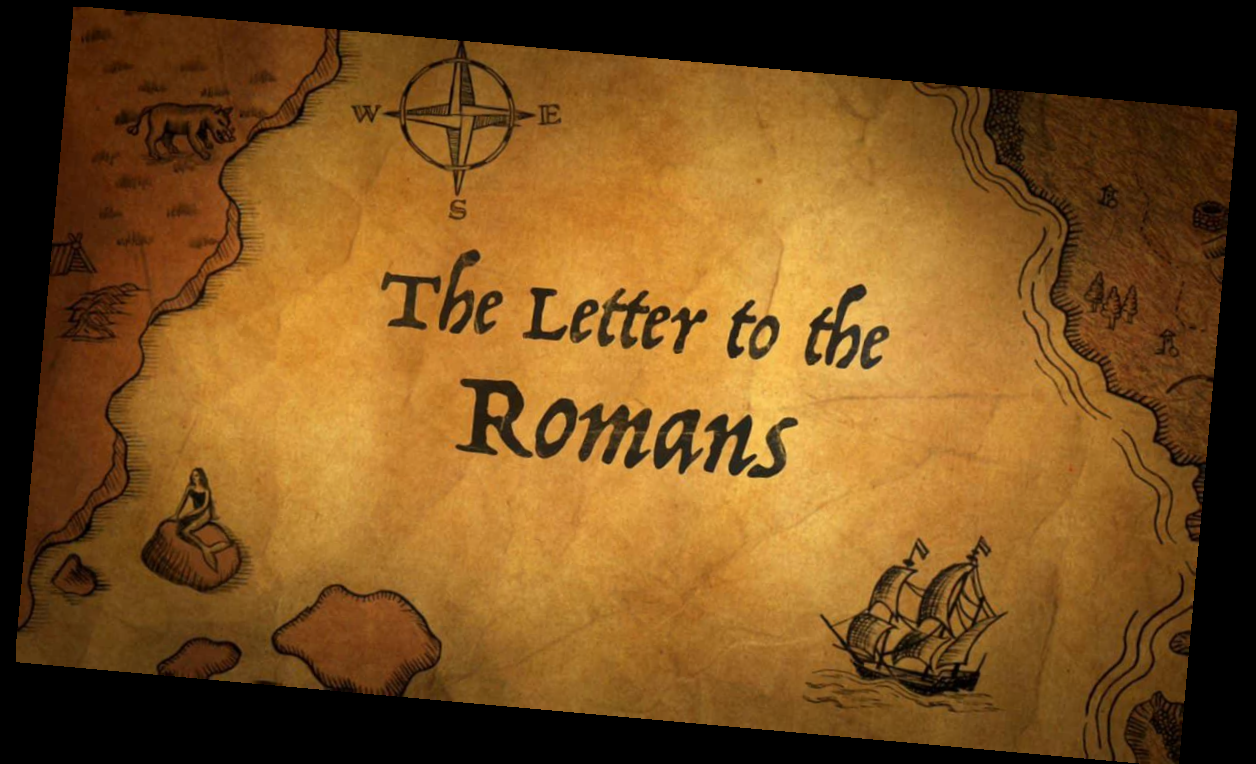
THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS

Salvation by Grace Through Faith

SAVED BY GRACE THROUGH FAITH!

We have learned that **all Have Sinned** (1:18-3:20).

We are now learning that **salvation comes by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.** (3:21-5:21)



THE GOOD NEWS

Romans 3:21-24 (CEV)

²¹ Now we see how God does make us acceptable to him. The Law and the Prophets tell how we become acceptable, and it isn't by obeying the Law of Moses. ²² God treats everyone alike. **He accepts people only because they have faith in Jesus Christ.** ²³ All of us have sinned and fallen short of God's glory. ²⁴ But God treats us much better than we deserve, and because of Christ Jesus, he freely accepts us and sets us free from our sins.



OH, WHAT A SAVIOR!

**I may be a
great sinner,
but I
have a
greater
savior.**



ABRAHAM'S EXAMPLE

Romans 4:1-3

¹ Well then, what can we say about our ancestor **Abraham**? ² If he became acceptable to God because of what he did, then he would have something to brag about. But he would never be able to brag about it to God. ³ **The Scriptures say, "God accepted Abraham because Abraham had faith in him."**



RIGHTEOUSNESS THROUGH FAITH

Genesis 15:5-6

⁵ And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." ⁶ And **he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.**



RIGHTEOUSNESS THROUGH FAITH



- God called...
- God blessed...
- Abraham believed...
- God led...
- Abraham followed (imperfectly)

DAVID'S EXAMPLE

Romans 4:6-8

⁶ In the Scriptures David talks about the blessings that come to people who are acceptable to God, even though they don't do anything to deserve these blessings. David says, ⁷ "God blesses people whose sins are forgiven and whose evil deeds are forgotten. ⁸ The Lord blesses people whose sins are erased from his book.



FORGIVENESS OF SIN

Psalm 32:1-7 (CEV)

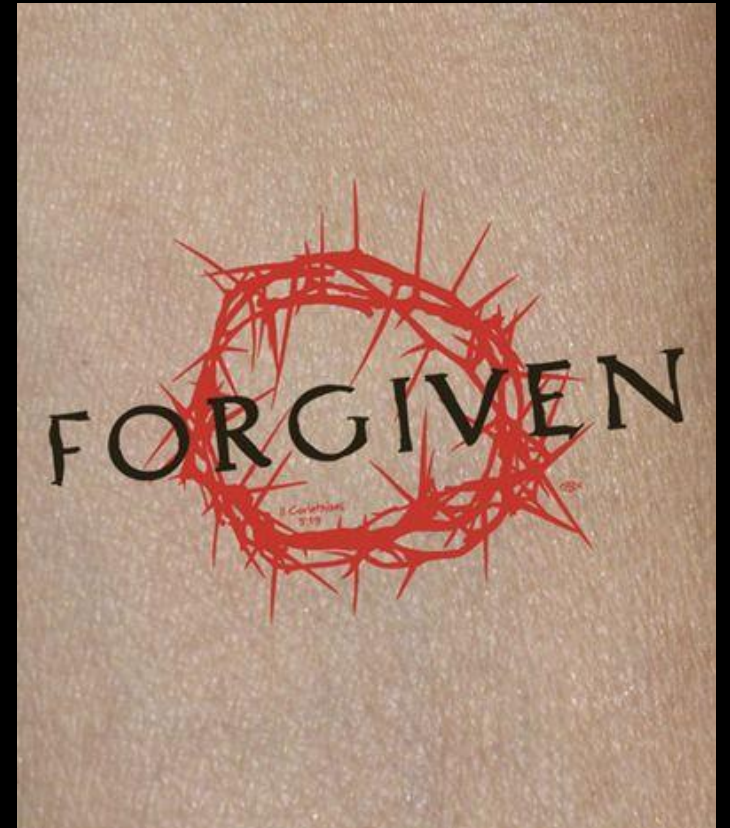
¹ Our God, you bless everyone whose sins you forgive and wipe away. ² You bless them by saying, "You told me your sins, without trying to hide them, and now I forgive you." ³ **Before I confessed my sins**, my bones felt limp, and I groaned all day long. ⁴ Night and day your hand weighed heavily on me, and my strength was gone as in the summer heat.



FORGIVENESS OF SIN

Psalm 32:1-7 (CEV)

⁵ So I confessed my sins and told them all to you. I said, "I'll tell the LORD each one of my sins." Then you forgave me and took away my guilt. **⁶ We worship you, Lord, and we should always pray whenever we find out that we have sinned. Then we won't be swept away by a raging flood. ⁷ You are my hiding place! You protect me from trouble, and you put songs in my heart because you have saved me.**



FORGIVENESS OF SIN



PEACE AND ACCESS...

Romans 5:1-2

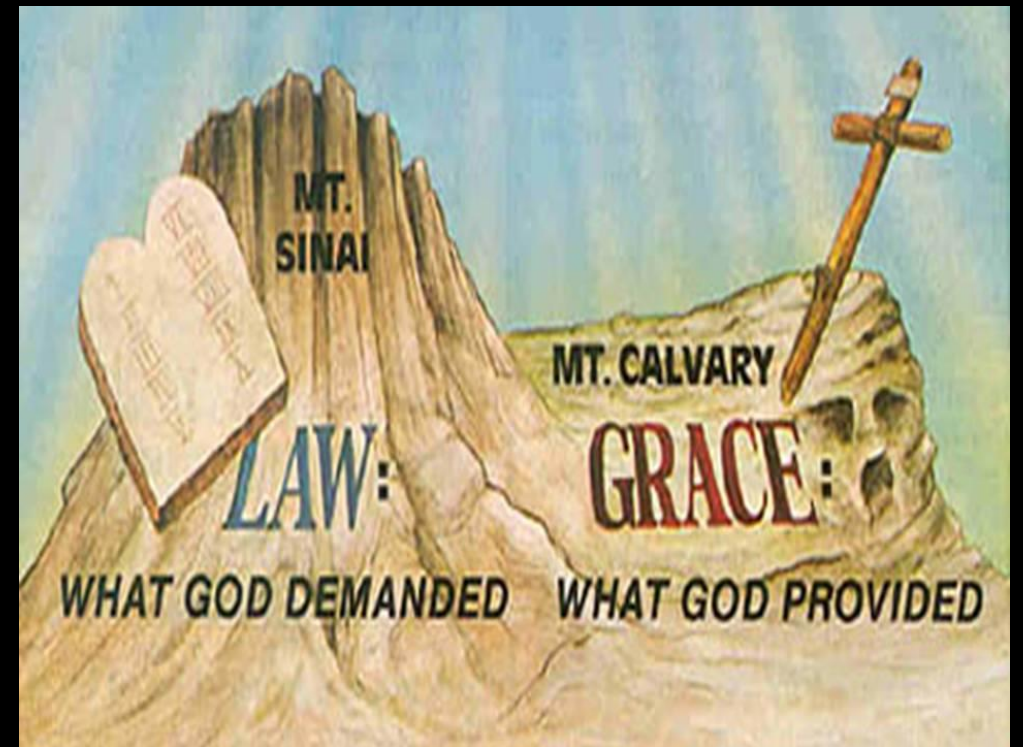
¹ Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, **we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.** ² Through him we have also obtained **access by faith into this grace** in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.



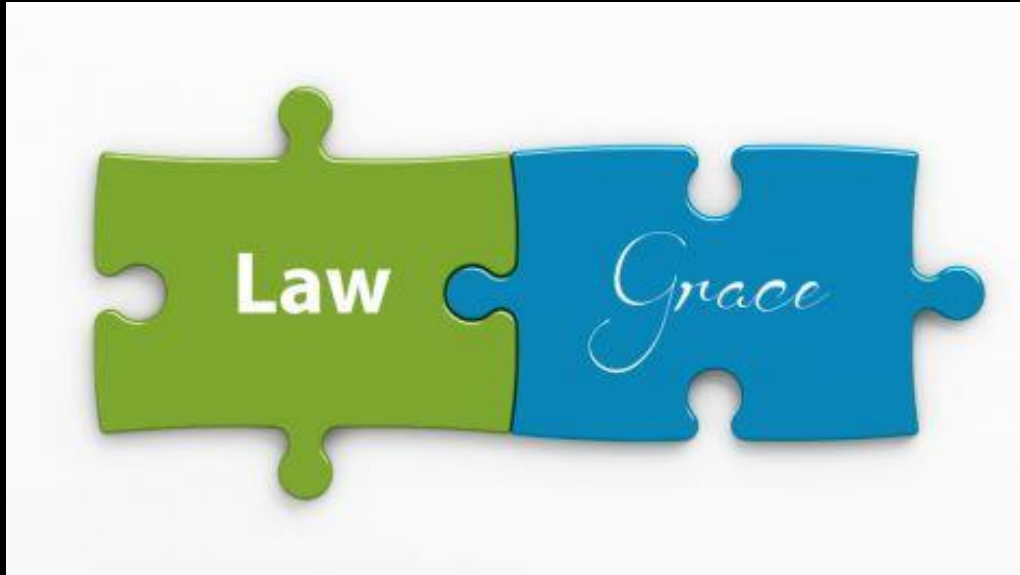
LAW AND GRACE

Romans 5:20-21 (CEV)

²⁰ The Law came, so that the full power of sin could be seen. Yet where sin was powerful, God's kindness was even more powerful. ²¹ Sin ruled by means of death. But God's kindness now rules, and **God has accepted us because of Jesus Christ our Lord. This means that we will have eternal life.**



LAW AND GRACE



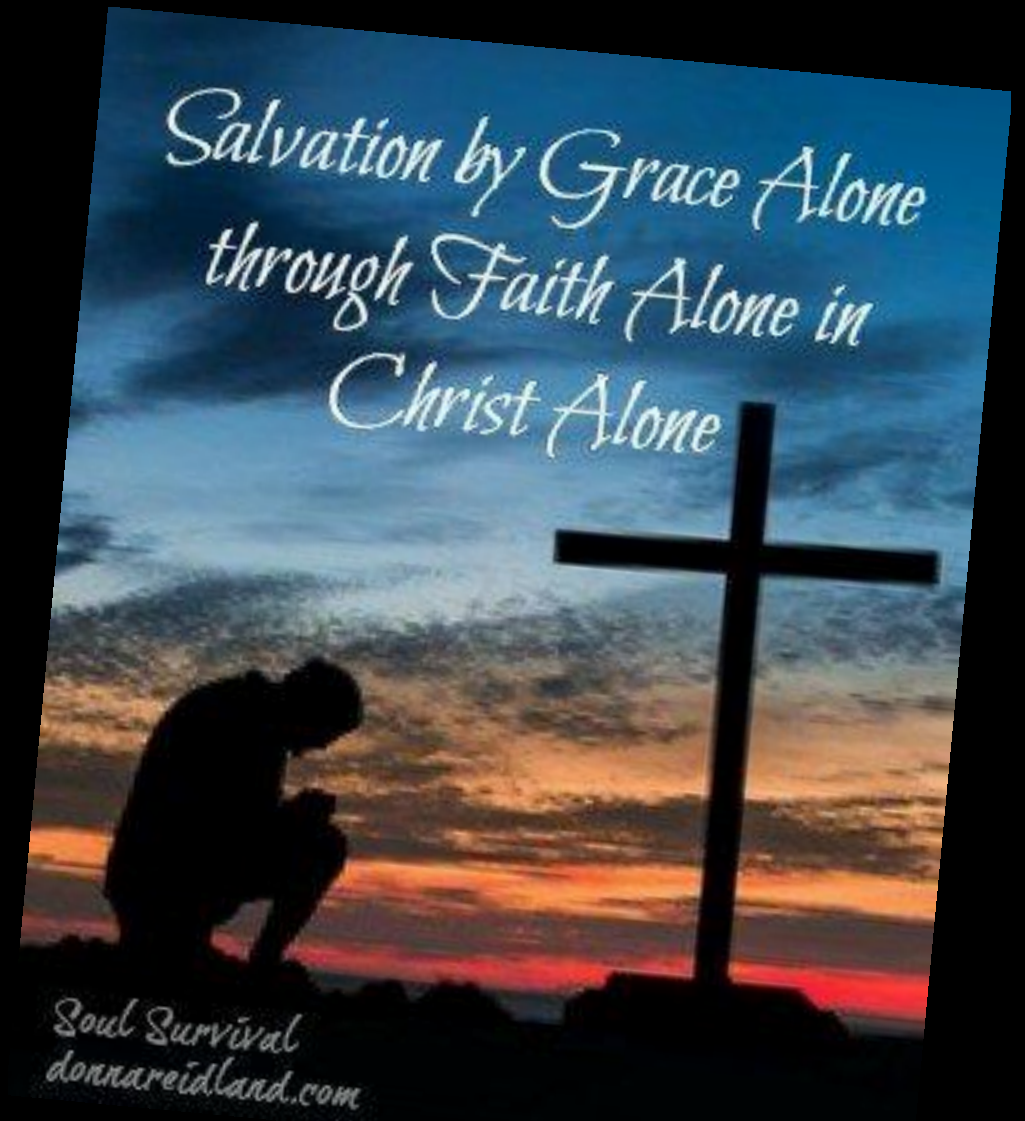
The law shows the problem.
Grace provides the solution!

Law and grace are not enemies. They complement each other in their own functions.

Law exposed the presence and the consequences of sin.
Grace leads to salvation in Jesus Christ!

GOD'S ANSWER

God says, “in the gospel I give you the solution—**salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ!**”



WOULD YOU RECEIVE IT?

For God

so loved the world that He
gave his only Son, so that
everyone who believes in
Him may not perish but
may have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16

