**Every People**

Every people lives by laws

Custom laws, laws of right

Laws writ down by people of might

Every law seeks control

Good control? Judge you may.

Defy or submit; go or stay

Control is such a touchy thing

By force, people will resist

But will, they might persist

Let the people write the laws

An elegant solution, is it not?

That depends on what is sought

Will people seek for what is good?

Scripture tells us none

“All are under sin[[1]](#footnote-1) … no one does good, not even one”[[2]](#footnote-2)

So our solution cannot fix

A problem in the heart

Instead, we return to the start

Every people lives by laws

God writes the law on our hearts

“Love one another,”[[3]](#footnote-3) Christ declares and imparts

He does not just say it

He shows us the way

He makes a way for us, too

By the Spirit, we live today

Obeying his command unashamed

Costly love we give, once gained

So what is it that we offer?

A people from people now drawn

“Hearts sprinkled clean”[[4]](#footnote-4), a new dawn

The law alone? No, people.

To control actions? No, to show hearts.

We offer to all new starts

Fight the law? I daren’t.

Reveal it’s source? I must.

That in Jesus Christ every person may trust

1. Romans 3:9 [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Romans 3:12 [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. John 13:34 [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Hebrews 10:22 [↑](#footnote-ref-4)