

Romans 6:14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

So in this under grace over sin teaching what we've been doing is we've been talking about how we are in victory over sin in every capacity because we are under grace and not under the law.

- We are learning that we've been delivered from the law through Jesus Christ becoming a man and coming under the law and fulfilling for us all the demands of the law.
 - The demand for us to walk in righteousness out of our own ability and the demand for judgment if we fail to do so.
- Through meeting the demands of the law he enabled us to be able to be born again and made sons of God with new natures, righteous natures and righteous hearts that desire righteous things through faith in His obedience in fulfilling the law.
- So now that I am righteous and all the demands of the law are fulfilled in Jesus I am no longer under the obligation to try to be righteous out of my flesh nor to bear the judgment of God for sin.

But even though we have come out from under the law and the demands of the law and we are the righteousness of God spiritually we haven't come out mentally in the church.

- We are still worshiping God and seeing God and seeing our selves as if we are under the law and our sins haven't fully been paid for and we still have to perform out of our flesh to be righteous and if we don't we are going to be judged.
- So we are free from the law spiritually but not mentally and the mentality comes from preaching the law.
 - Which is any preaching that puts the emphasis on your works to make you righteous or accepted by God instead of the finished works of Jesus.
- Now we may be out from under the law spiritually but if we don't come out mentally we are going to still get the same results as if we were still under the law.
 - We won't be separated and cut off from God like under the law because God did that to Jesus so he wouldn't have to do it to us.
 - But we will have the guilt of the law, the shame of the law and the fear of the law.
 - We will fear God's judgment and therefore fear circumstances and the devil and that fear will open us up to the curse.

- But the other result we will get is more sin
 - The law and a law mentality will not limit sin in our life it will increase it and multiply it.

Romans 7:8 But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For without the law sin was dead.

- If you remember that we determined that the law wasn't evil or sinful or bad and therefore it produced sin in me.
 - We determined that the law is good and holy and perfect.
 - **Rom 7:12 Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.**
- Paul was saying here that the sin in my flesh, in my sin nature from Adam, took occasion or an opportunity by the commandment or the law to produce in me all manner of sinful lusts.
 - The law gave the sin in my flesh the opportunity to manifest and come out.
- So How does the law give the sin in my flesh an opportunity to stir up evil lusts within me and make me sin?
 - Well remember that Paul here was talking about the affect the law had on Him as a sinner.
 - But even when we are righteous and we preach the law we will get the same results.
 - Only now you don't have a sin nature anymore but you still have flesh or thinking, desiring, feeling, acting outside of the influence of the Holy Spirit.
 - As long as you have free will you will have flesh.
 - Remember there's a difference between being in the flesh and after the flesh.
- The law gives the sin in my flesh an opportunity to work because the law takes me out of the spirit realm and puts me into the flesh.
 - The law puts me back into a performance mentality were I am no longer relying on the Spirit for righteous fruit I'm now trying to produce it out of the flesh.
 - But here's the problem. In my flesh is snoting good. It's where the evil lusts reside.
 - So really the law makes my try to work out of something that is wicked and weak.

- **Romans 8:3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:**
 - The law has to work through the flesh.
 - If the law is going to make you righteous it has to work through the flesh to do it.
 - But the flesh is weak.
 - So here I am under a law mentality trying to operate in righteousness out of the flesh where sinful lusts abide.
 - So now I am met with a sinful desire of the flesh and I can't control it because I'm combatting that desire with will power.
 - But will power never worked before I got saved so why is it going to work now.

Another way that the law gives the sin in your flesh the opportunity to produce more sin is the law produces sin consciousness.

- So one of the things I noticed that God was after by sending Jesus and getting us out from under the law was getting rid of sin consciousness.
 - He wanted man to be able to not have to be conscious of their sin anymore and focus on it and be conscious of the fact that they were a sinner and separated from God.
 - He wanted them to be less conscious of their sins' and mistakes and more conscious of Him and His presence.
- **Hebrews 10:1 For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.2 For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins.3 But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year.4 For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.**
 - So from this we see that God was desiring something that he couldn't get through the law and that was to make the worshiper perfect and righteous so they wouldnt have to be conscience of their sins.
 - God wanted to make sin a none issue when it came to worshiping Him.
 - He wanted them to freely be able to come to Him without fear, guilt, shame and without having to go through a priest with sacrifices.
- **Hebrews 9:14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?**

- The blood of animals couldn't purge your conscience from sin so that you could freely worship God because the animals couldn't pay the full payment for sin because it wasn't an animal that sinned in the garden it was a man.
- But the blood of the man Jesus was payment enough for your sins so that you could be made righteous and now through the blood of Jesus you don't have to be sin conscious anymore because now you are the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus.
- So now I'm not conscious of sin that separated me under the law. I'm conscious of my supplied righteousness under grace.
- So I don't go into the presence of God anymore with sin consciousness because of the blood and I'm not reminded by a yearly animal sacrifice or a veil hanging between me and the glory of God.
- I go into the presence of God conscious of my righteousness through Jesus Christ.
- But if I preach law to you then I'm going to put you back in that state of sin consciousness where you are conscious of your weak flesh and its sinful passions.
 - When this happens you will not be conscious of your righteousness and you will not see yourself as righteous and able to come into the presence of God but you will see yourself as a sinner separated from God.
 - Sin consciousness will produce an image on the inside of you of a sinner.
- **Prov 23:7 For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee.**
 - So how you think in your heart is going to determine who you are or who you manifest.
 - In other words we could say the way you believe about yourself in your heart or see yourself in your heart or the image of yourself that you have in your heart will determine who you are.
 - So you could be born again, the righteousness of God, full of the Holy Ghost, have all authority and all power over all the power of the enemy but if you don't see that or believe that about yourself you will never manifest it.
 - It's not enough to just get saved you have to renew your mind to who you are in the spirit.
 - And since the mind tends to forget things then you have to renew your mind on a regular basis a daily basis even.
- This is also why Paul in Ephesians 1 Paul prayed for them to receive revelation.

- It didn't matter what they had become or received if they didn't have revelation of it and see it for themselves.
- So if I preach the law to you and make you sin conscious then you are going to see yourself as a sinner and if you see yourself as a sinner, according to proverbs 23:7 you will manifest a sinner.
 - Therefore the law doesn't limit sin and will produce more sin in your life.
 - But if I will preach grace and the blood to you and make you conscious of your righteousness and you see yourself as perfect and righteous through the blood of Jesus, will as a man thinketh so is he.

So under grace God still wants us to live right but right living is not going to come by the law. Right believing is what will produce right living. The law will only produce more sin.

- The law is behavior modification without modifying the person and how they see themselves.
- But grace is behavior modification by modifying the person and then how they see themselves.
- If I preach the law to you as a born again new testament believer I'm trying to get behavior modification without modifying your thinking.
- So under grace if I want behavior modification it starts with modifying how you see yourself as a child of God.

Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

- Changing how you think and perceive will change you.
 - This means that it's not enough to be changed spiritually I've got to be changed mentally and line my thinking and mental perception up with my spiritual transformation.
- I must change my thinking in order to prove or manifest the good, acceptable and perfect will of God.
 - Now the good acceptable perfect will of God is for you to walk in righteousness.
 - But how I'm I going to do that? Through my thinking or my mental perception.
- Let me show you this process of how this transformation works which ends up in you manifesting the perfect will of God. Now this process starts with the thinking

but I want to actually start explaining the process from the end in order to show you how this works.

- First let's start with character:
 - Your character is the manifested you.
 - This is who you are toward people that you are around
 - This is the person that people see you as when they deal with you.
 - This is the husband in your marriage or the wife in your marriage.
 - This is the dad, the mom, the son, the daughter and so on.
 - Now we want and God wants righteous character.
 - He wants you walking in righteous character around people, in your home, in your marriage, dealing with your finances or dealing with your family.
 - This is the perfect good acceptable will of God.
- Now let's talk about habits:
 - Habits are the things you do without thinking.
 - Your character or the manifested you is made up of your habits. (character is made up of your habits)
 - Who you really are (character) is not who you think you are it's who you are in a habit of being.
 - People don't deal with who you think you are they deal with who you are in a habit of being.
 - Who are you when you don't have to think about it?
 - Who you really are, your true character is not seen in you are trying to be either. It's who you are in a habit of being.
 - Because you can try to be somebody in front of people but that's not your true character.
 - Your true character is who you are when you don't have to think about it. Sometimes behind closed doors or around certain friends.
- Now let's talk about choices.
 - Because it's choices that make up your habits.
 - What you choose to do over and over become your habits and those habits become your character.
- Now let's talk about where all this begins and that is with thoughts.
 - Your thoughts, your mental perception determines the choices you make and those choices then determine your habits and your habits determine your character and your character is going to determine the quality of your life.
- So you may not be under the law spiritually and you may be under grace and be the righteousness of God spiritually but if you still have sin consciousness and

see yourself as a sinner then that is going to cause to walk in the character of a sinner.

- Then you will keep producing sin
- You will think your not saved
- You will keep trying to get saved over and over.
- You will stay in condemnation and fear of the judgement of God.
- So what you need to hear is not the law you need to hear about the blood so that you can become righteous conscious or conscious of your righteousness.
 - So as you begin to see yourself as righteous then you will begin to make righteous choices and those righteous choices you make over and over will begin to develop new righteous habits and those habits will become your character.
 - You will manifest the perfect and acceptable will of God and it will all start with your thinking and becoming righteous conscious instead of sin conscious.
 - Remember I said right believing produces right behavior.