

June 28, 2015  
Sermon  
Lesson 3  
1 Timothy 1:8-11

### THE LAW IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GOSPEL

#### Short Background on the Law

Problem: Are we (Christians) today “under the law”?

- Yes: Matt 5:7-18; Rom 3:31; Rom 7:6
- No: Rom 6:14; Rom 7:6; Rom 10:4; Gal 3:23

#### 1. What is the Law?

- Principle, or norm (Heb 7:16)
- Collection of Scripture (Pentateuch, all of holy Scripture)
- Mosaic law

#### 2. Why did God give the Law?

- To reveal sin (Abrahamic covenant didn't deal with sin!)
  - ⇒ To show sinfulness of sin (Rom 7:13)
  - ⇒ To cause sin to become more sinful (Rom 5:20)
  - ⇒ To make us guilty before God (Rom 3:19)
- To point us to Christ
  - ⇒ To be our guardian till Christ came (Gal 3:23)
  - ⇒ To anticipate Christ (Heb 10:1)
  - ⇒ To govern the life of Israel until Christ came (Gal 3:17)

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Main idea: “The law is good, if one uses it lawfully” (8)

- The law is not laid down for the just (9a)
  - It is laid down for the unjust (9b-10)
    - The lawless and disobedient
    - The ungodly and sinners
    - The unholy and profane
    - For those who strike fathers or mothers
    - For murderers
    - For the sexually immoral
    - For men who practice homosexuality
    - For enslavers
    - For liars
    - For perjurers
    - For whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine
- In accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God (11)
  - With which I have been entrusted

#### Applications

- We should preach the law as a sin-revealer and a Christ-pointer!
- We should be discerning when people use the law wrongfully !
- We should preach the Gospel!
- We should show by our lives that we are justified people!