

God's Law Part II:
How does God's Law apply to us?

Exodus 21-24

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Exodus 21:23-25

But if there is serious injury, you are to take life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, burn for burn, wound for wound, bruise for bruise. (NIV®)

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Exodus 24:8

Moses then took the blood,
sprinkled it on the people and
said, “This is the blood of the
covenant that the Lord has made
with you in accordance with all
these words.” (NIV®)

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God promises a new Law and new hearts.

Jeremiah 31:33

This is the covenant I will make
with the people of Israel after
that time,” declares the LORD.
“I will put my law in their minds
and write it on their hearts. I
will be their God, and they will
be my people. (NIV®)

Ezekiel 36:26

I will give you a new heart and put a
new spirit in you; I will remove from
you your heart of stone and give
you a heart of flesh. (NIV®)

How does the Law apply to Christ?

Matthew 5:17

Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. (NIV®)

How does the Law apply to Christ?

1. Christ gives a new Law and new hearts.

Luke 22:20

In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.” (NIV®)

Romans 2:29a

No, a person is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is circumcision of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the written code... (NIV®)

How does the Law apply to Christ?

1. Christ gives a new Law and new hearts.
2. Christ embodies the Law for us.

How does the Law apply to Christians?

Galatians 6:2

Carry each other's burdens,
and in this way you will fulfill
the law of Christ. (NIV®)

How does the Law apply to Christians?

1. The Law reminds us of our need for Christ.

Matthew 5:48

Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect. (NIV®)

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! (NIV®)

How does the Law apply to Christians?

1. The Law reminds us of our need for Christ.
2. The Holy Spirit helps us obey Christ's Law.

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy,
peace, forbearance, kindness,
goodness, faithfulness, gentleness
and self-control. Against such
things there is no law. (NIV®)

*The Law of Christ
sets us free to obey.*