

Galatians – the Magna Carta of Religious Liberty

What is the Rule of Law? A political philosophy which supports the equality of all citizens before the law, secures a non-arbitrary form of government, and more generally prevents the arbitrary use of power.

What was the purpose of the Law as given to Moses?

How did Jesus relate to the Law?

1. **Galatians 3:1-5 SUBSTITUTING THE LAW IN PLACE OF FAITH**

Foolish means not-thinking, thoughtlessness

Why are we so hung up on the law? - *WE HAVE TO BE IN CONTROL!*

2. **Galatians 3:6-9; 15-18 FAITH AND JESUS (ABRAHAM'S SEED) CAME FIRST**

Genesis 15:6 – Galatians 3:6 credited to him as righteousness

Genesis 12:3 – Galatians 3:8 all nations blessed through Abraham

Was the great Abraham governed by the Mosaic law?

What about circumcision?

3. **Galatians 3:10-14 JESUS BREAKS THE CURSE OF THE LAW**

Deuteronomy 27:26 – cursed if you don't keep all of the law

Habakkuk 2:4 (Romans 1:17)– the righteous will live by faith

Leviticus 18:5 – the law says you have to live by the law

Deuteronomy 21:22-23 – one who commits a death penalty sin is hung on a tree and cursed by God

If you break one law, you're dead if it's the law that has control. But Christ paid the penalty of sin with His substitutionary death as he was hung on the tree and buried the same day. Christians live by faith. Galatians 2:20

4. **Galatians 3:19-25 PURPOSE & REMOVAL OF THE YOKE OF THE LAW**

Why was the law given to Moses?

The Ultimate Purpose of the Law

V. 25 – Can we rip the Old Testament out of our Bibles?

Ephesians 2:8-10 - For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Sola scriptura - Sola fide - Sola gratia - Solo Christo - Soli Deo gloria

Grace Alone by Faith Alone through Christ Alone