



“Jesus, the Teacher: Pro-Law, Anti-Legalism”

Psalm 119:1-16; Mark 2:23-3:6

- I. Introduction: Have “love” and the Spirit replaced God’s Law as the Christian’s moral guide?
- II. The psalmist provides a model of pious passion for God’s law.
- III. The law is good but weak in the face of human sin.
- IV. Christ and the Spirit free us for a life of grateful obedience to God’s law.
- V. Watch out for the trap of legalism.
 - A. Legalism enslaves by going far beyond what keeping the law requires.
 - B. Legalism fails to allow for appropriate exceptions that honor God.
 - C. Legalism leaves little freedom for individuals to exercise moral discernment.
- VI. Conclusion: Live a life of loving obedience to God!