

“So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good” (Romans 7:12 ESV).

Love the law of God ...

- (Psalm 119:97 ESV) **Oh how I love your law!** It is my meditation all the day.
- (Psalm 119:163 ESV) I hate and abhor falsehood, but **I love your law.**
- (Psalm 119:165 ESV) Great peace have **those who love your law;** nothing can make them stumble.
- (Psalm 119:174 ESV) I long for your salvation, O LORD, and **your law is my delight.**
- (Psalm 119:18 ESV) Open my eyes, that I may behold **wondrous things out of your law.**
- (Psalm 119:142 ESV) Your righteousness is righteous forever, and **your law is true.**
- (Psalm 19:7-10 ESV) **The law of the LORD is perfect,** reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; **the rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.** More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.

“love the law”



Live by the law of God ...

- (Exodus 20:22 ESV) And the LORD said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the people of Israel: **‘You have seen for yourselves that I have talked with you from heaven.’”**
- (Deuteronomy 8:3 ESV) And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, **but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.**
- (Deuteronomy 32:45-47 ESV) And when Moses had finished speaking all these words to all Israel, he said to them, “Take to heart all the words by which I am warning you today, that you may command them to your children, that they may **be careful to do all the words of this law.** For **it is no empty word for you, but your very life, and by this word you shall live long in the land** that you are going over the Jordan to possess.”
- (Leviticus 18:4-5 ESV) You shall **follow my rules** and **keep my statutes** and **walk in them.** I am the LORD your God. You shall therefore keep my statutes and my rules; **if a person does them, he shall live by them: I am the LORD.**
- (Ezekiel 20:10-11 ESV) So I led them out of the land of Egypt and brought them into the wilderness. I gave them my statutes and **made known to them my rules, by which, if a person does them, he shall live.**
- (Psalm 119:17 ESV) Deal bountifully with your servant, **that I may live and keep your word.**

“live by the law”



But not salvation by the law of God ...

- (Romans 3:27-28 ESV) Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. **For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.**
- (Galatians 2:16 ESV) Yet we know that a person is **not justified by works of the law** but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be **justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law,** because by works of the law no one will be **justified.**
- (Galatians 2:21 ESV) I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.
- (Galatians 3:10-14 ESV) For **all who rely on works of the law are under a curse;** for it is written, “Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them.” **Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law,** for “The righteous shall live by faith.”
- (Galatians 3:21-22 ESV) **Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not!** For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

“but NOT justified by the law”

