**Law Intolerance**

***Romans 7:1–8:4***

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***Introduction:***

* We are law-intolerant—we don’t keep the law
* So, what’s our relationship to the Law of Moses?

***Grace of God:***

* Our salvation rests in Jesus Christ who, a descendant of King David, died and resurrected for us: “He was handed over for our sins and raised for our righteousness” (Rom 4:25). God showed his love by Christ dying for us while we were sinners (Rom 5:8). Adam brought us sin and death, Jesus Christ brought us life and righteousness.
* So, shall we continue in sin? (Rom 6). No, because we are “dead to sin and alive to God and righteousness” (6:8).

***The Theory:***

* The marriage illustration portrays a Jew’s relationship with God as one under the Law of Moses. When Christ died, however, that relationship ended, esp. for the Jewish Christians who were under the law. They are in a new relationship, under the law of the Spirit, and can fulfill the righteous requirements of the law.

***Examples:***

***Application:***

God’s law is holy, righteous, and good. By our strength, we can’t observe it. But by the Spirit’s help, we’ll fulfill the righteous requirements of the law.

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