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God's Unchanging Law

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God's Commandments are holy, just and good. Read in *(Romans 7:12)*. God is holy, just and good. Read in *(Isaiah 5:16; Deuteronomy 32:4; Luke 18:19)*. The commandments are a transcript of God's character. They are as impossible to change as it would be to change God Himself. Read in *(Malachi 3:6)*.

Sin is defined as transgression of God's law and leads to separation from Him. Read in (I John 3:4; Isaiah 59:1-2). The law existed before Sinai. Read in (Genesis 6:5-7; Genesis 39:9; Exodus 16:4). Sin was punished at the flood. If the law didn't exist, there couldn't have been sin and certainly no punishment for it. Read in (Romans 4:15). The law's

purpose is to give us a knowledge of sin. Read in (Romans 3:20; 7:7, 12-14). Paul not only spells out the purpose of the law; he also tells us which law he's speaking of—the one that contains "thou shalt not covet"—God's Ten Commandment law! God's law is an essential means leading us to conversion. Read in (Psalm 19:7; Galatians 3:24).

We are saved by grace through faith to enable sinful humanity to keep God's Holy Law. Read in

(Eph. 2:8-10; Romans 8:3-4). A saved person will desire to keep God's law. (Romans 3:31; Hebrews 10:7; John 8:29). Love for Jesus will lead to obedience. Read in (John 14:15; I John 2:6; Exodus 20:6).

The law of sacrifice and offerings was nailed to the cross. Read

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in (Colossians 2:14; Deuteronomy 31:24,26).

The Ceremonial Law, or Law of Moses was the "shadow" handwritten by the hand of Moses that pointed forward to Christ's death on the cross. This law ended at the cross as was evidenced by the temple veil that was ripped in two as (Matthew



27:51) says. Paul refers to this law as the law that "was" (Colossians 2:14), while referring to the Ten Commandments as the law that "is". Read in (Romans 7:12; Ephesians 6:1-2). Did Jesus nail the Ten Commandments to the cross when He gave us the New Covenant? Read in (Matthew 5:17-18; Rom. 8:3-4; Malachi 3:6). "To fulfill" means to perform, to keep or to act in accordance with, as it is used in the following: (Galatians 6:2; Matt. 3:15; James 2:8-9).

The Old Covenant was based on man's promises. Read in (Exodus 19:8; Exodus 24:3). Man can do nothing on his own, (John 15:5). The New Covenant is based on God's promise to write His Ten Commandment laws in our hearts. These are God's promises based in the New Covenant. Read in (Hebrews 8:6,10, 13:20; Ez. 36:27; Jer. 31:33). Shall we sin because we are not under the law? God forbid! Read in (Rom. 6:15). According to this scripture, we should not sin because we are under grace. Sin is transgression of God's law. Read in (I John 3:4). If we are not to transgress it, then we must need to keep it.

Those under grace will uphold God's law.
Read in *(Romans 3:31; I John 5:3; John*

14:15). Jesus kept His Father's commandments. Read in (John 15:10, 8:46; Isaiah 42:21). Jesus not only kept His Father's commandments but He also magnified them. God's last-day people keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. Read in (Revelation 14:12; 22:14). Amen and amen.

Verses on God's Unchanging Law

God's commandments are holy, just and good

(Romans 7:12) Therefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy and just and good.

(Isaiah 5:16) But the Lord of hosts shall be exalted in judgment, and God who is holy shall be hallowed in righteousness.

(*Deut. 32:4*) He is the Rock, His work is perfect; for all His ways are justice, a God of truth and without injustice; righteous and upright is He.

(Luke 18:19) So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is God."

(Malachi 3:6) For I am the Lord, I do not change; therefore you are not consumed, O sons of Jacob.

(I John 3:4) Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.

(Isaiah 59:1-2) Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; nor His ear heavy, that it cannot hear. (2) But your iniquities have separated you from your God; and your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear.

(Genesis 6:5-7) Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. (6) And the Lord was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. (7) So the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth, both man and beast, creeping thing and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them.

(Genesis 39:9) There is no one greater in this house than I, nor has he kept back anything from me but you, because you are his wife. How then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?

(Exodus 16:4) Then the Lord said to Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you. And the people shall go out and gather a certain quota every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not.

(Romans 4:15) Because the law brings about wrath; for where there is no law there is no transgression.

(Romans 3:20; 7:7, 12-14) Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin. (7:7) What shall we say then? Is the law sin? Certainly not! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. (12) Therefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy and just and good. (13) Has then what is good become death to me? Certainly not! But sin, that it might appear sin, was producing death in me through what is good, so that sin through the commandment might become exceedingly sinful. (14) For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am carnal, sold under sin.

(Psalm 19:7) The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.

(Galatians 3:24) Therefore the law was our tutor to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

(Ephesians 2:8-10) For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, (9) not of works, lest anyone should boast. (10) For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

(Romans 8:3-4) For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, (4) that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

(Romans 8:31) What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us.

(Hebrews 10:7) Then I said, "Behold, I have come—In the volume of the book it is written of Me—to do Your will, O God."

(John 8:29) And He who sent Me is with Me. The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things that please Him.

(John 14:15) If you love Me, keep My commandments.

(I John 2:6) He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.

(Exodus 20:6) But showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.

(Colossians 2:14) Having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And

He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

(Deuteronomy 31:24, 26) So it was, when Moses had completed writing the words of this law in a book, when they were finished. (26) Take this Book of the Law, and put it beside the ark of the covenant of the Lord your God, that it may be there as a witness against you.

(Matthew 27:51) Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split...

(Colossians 2:14) see above

(Romans 7:12) see above

(Ephesians 6:1-2) Children obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. (2) "Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with promise.

(Matthew 5:17-18) Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. (18) For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

(Romans 8:3-4) see above

(Malachi 3:6) For I am the Lord, I do not change; therefore you are not consumed, O sons of Jacob.

(Gal. 6:2) Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. (Matthew 3:15) But Jesus answered and said to him,

"Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him.

(James 2:8-9) If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you do well; (9) but if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors.

Old covenant based on man's promises

(Exodus 19:8) Then all the people answered together and said, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do." So Moses brought back the words of the people to the Lord.

(Exodus 24:3) So Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the judgments. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words which the Lord has said we will do."

(John 15:5) I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. (Hebrews 8:6, 10) But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, inasmuch as He is also Mediator of a better covenant, which was established on better promises. (10) For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be My people.

(*Hebrews 13:20*) Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant.

(Ezekiel 36:27) I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.

(Jeremiah 31:33) But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days says the Lord: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

(Romans 6:15) What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not!

(1 John 3:4) see above

(Romans 3:31) Do we then make void the law through faith? Certainly not! On the contrary, we establish the law.

(I John 5:3) For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome. (John 14:15) (see above)

(John 15:10) If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

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(John 8:46) Which of you convicts Me of sin? And if I tell the truth, why do you not believe Me?

(Isaish 42:21) The Lord is well pleased for His righteousness' sake; He will exalt the law and make it honorable.

(Revelation 14:12) Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. (Revelation 22:14) Blessed are those who do His

commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.