

The Freedom of God's Promises vs. the Law

The Law has not changed God's promise.

Read [Galatians 3:15-18](#).

- Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promise. Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, [John 14:6](#). Freedom is through Jesus.
- Do you try to follow the Law as an attempt to get the promises OR do you allow the Holy Spirit to empower you to do good works?

God has a purpose for the Law

Read [Galatians 3:19-25](#).

- The Law shows us that we sin and are unable to achieve perfection through our own efforts.
- If you are a Christ-follower, you don't need to fear the Law. Instead, you will naturally begin to keep it out of love for Christ, [1John 2:3-5](#).

Through Christ, the promise is yours.

Read [Galatians 3:26-29](#).

As a Christ-follower, you are:

- His child
- clothed in Christ
- an heir entitled to His promises:
 - Salvation
 - Not having to live in fear
 - Not having to carry the weight of sin and condemnation
 - An eternal home with Him

Think about the difference:

ROWING	SAILING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limiting • Works-based • Depends on your own power 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liberating • Grace-based • Depends on power outside yourself, Eph 2:8-9
<i>The Law</i>	<i>God's Promises</i>

The Freedom of God's Promises: Self-Assessment

To what degree do the following statements describe you?	1=not at all like me; 5=totally like me
I am sailing instead of rowing! <i>I am liberated by freedom in Christ and allowing the Holy Spirit to put wind in my sails.</i>	1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5
I respect the Law; however, it's my love for Christ and desire to please Him that is my focus.	1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5
Every day, I think about God's promises to me as a Christ-follower.	1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5

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