

Grace and Law

Gal. 5:16-24

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Grace

- Grace basically means gifts, same root, to advance, excel, attain God's nature
- Grace is parallel to the Spirit

Law

- Where does the Christian exist between law and no law?
- Can we conclude that law is focused on flesh, and absence of law is focused on spirit?
- Here is the reality: law exists, but I do not choose to live by a law ethic.
- Even law forbids lowering self below the nature of God within us
- v. 24, we ultimately reach this goal by passing from law to grace

Gospel

- Forgiveness is not....
 - Approval
 - Forgetting
 - Trust
- Forgiveness is....
 - Throwing or sending away
 - Letting go of the past
 - Changing the focus
 - Moving on with life
- Results....
 - Freedom, liberation
 - Reconciliation
 - Salvation