

Uses for the Law

“Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.” – Romans 7:12

“But we know that the law is good, if a man use it lawfully” – 1 Timothy 1:7

The Law is useful for;

1. A guide to know God’s will in time past (but not now) – Rom 2:18
2. Knowledge of God and his truth (but we now know more) – Rom 2:20
3. For reproof, rebuke, and instruction in righteousness – 2 Tim 3:16
4. To show God’s holiness, justice, and goodness – Rom 7:12
5. To show God’s forbearance (when he showed mercy under it) – Rom 2:4
6. As a righteous standard of judgment by God – Rom 2:6, 2:13, 3:5-6
7. To prove God’s wrath against men to be righteous – Rom 4:15
8. To prove all guilty (including religious Israel) – Rom 3:19, Rom 11:32
9. For the knowledge of sin – Rom 3:21
10. For making the offence abundant and manifest to all – Rom 5:20
11. For its power to bind unto death (used against the old man) – Rom 7:1
12. To make sin move, revive, and work in us (to make the shoe fit) – Rom 7:8-11
13. Making sin look exceedingly sinful – Rom 7:13
14. To administer condemnation to the lawless and disobedient – 1 Tim 1:9
15. For exposing wrong doctrines that claim we are without sin – 1 Tim 1:10
16. To administer death – 2 Cor 3:7
17. For putting people under a curse – Gal 3:10-13
18. To govern children until they are given liberty – Gal 4:2

19. To tutor children to identify sin and righteousness – Gal 4:2 20.
Bringing sinners to Christ – Gal 3:24
21. As a schoolmaster showing the need for justification by faith –
Gal 3:24

The Law is Weak through the Flesh...

1. To save us
2. To justify us, to make us righteous
3. To sanctify us
4. To forgive us
5. To give us life
6. To give us the power to serve God
7. To bring forth righteous fruit