The Shocking Truth About Grace and The Law

These are the lesson notes for the following two YouTube videos:

- The Shocking Truth About Grace and Law - Part 1
- The Shocking Truth About Grace and Law - Part 2

The Beginning – Genesis

The book of Genesis and all of the Old Testament refers to Jesus. God giving us a day to rest was the beginning of grace.

> **Genesis 2:9,16-17**
> *And out of the ground the Lord God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food**. The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.*** *16And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die"*

Knowledge of good and evil, awareness of evil and sin doesn't make people holy, but makes them sin, and feel shame, judgment, come under the curse and want to earn their salvation. Death – they died. That was the consequence. They were cut off from God. Before that they could eat freely from the Tree of Life.

> **2 Corinthians 3:6**
> *who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.*

People are still constantly eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil by thinking that they need redemption and forgiveness over and over again and many of us grew up in churches where the law was spoken and read, week after week. They started the service every Sunday by reading the 10 commandments. "*Thou shall...", "Thou shall not...*" We all need a right image of grace and the law. This is really important because people who have a wrong image of the law fall into legalistic thinking.

Mixing Grace and the Law

Legalistic Thinking / Good and Evil / The Knowledge of Good and Evil

> **John 2:1**
> *On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2 Now both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding. 3 And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine." 4 Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do it." 6 Now there were set there six waterpots of stone, according to the manner of purification of the Jews, containing twenty or thirty gallons apiece. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the waterpots with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 And He said to them, And He said to them, "Draw some out now, and take it to the master of the feast." And they took it. 9 When the master of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of*

the feast called the bridegroom. … [10] And he said to him, "Every man at the beginning sets out the good wine, and when the guests have well drunk, then the inferior. ***You have kept the good wine until now!"*** *[11] This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him.*

Jesus didn't mix water and wine (law and grace), we shouldn't either. Why water, wine and a wedding?

1. A wedding is where people enter into a covenant with each other.
2. Wine is an image of the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 5:18), the New Covenant (Mark 2:22) and the blood of Jesus.
3. The water was a symbol of Jewish rules, rituals, and traditions for purification.
4. The things that happened on a small scale in this story are a symbol of the relationship between man and God
5. Jesus then said: take the water, take the old rules, and to what I tell you to do with them.
6. The wedding was on the third day. Jesus rose from the dead on the third day.
7. A covenant was made in heaven, the day Jesus rose from the dead - a new covenant, one that wasn't based on legalistic rules, but on joy, relationship, and the Holy Spirit.
8. The best wine, the best covenant, had been kept for las.
9. Jesus turned the water into wine. It wasn't a mixture. You can't mix the Old Covenant and the New Covenant. You can't put new wine in old wineskins.

John 1:13-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. [14] And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. [16] And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. [17] For the law was given, through Moses; grace and truth came ***through Jesus Christ.*** *[18] No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side,* ***he has made him known.***

Mark 2:21

No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment; or else the new piece pulls away from the old, and the tear is made worse. [22] And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; or else the new wine bursts the wineskins, the wine is spilled, and the wineskins are ruined. But new wine must be put into new wineskins."

Romans 11:6

And if by grace, then it is no longer of works; otherwise grace is no longer grace. But if it is of works, it is no longer grace; otherwise work is no longer work.

Paul doesn't pull any punches in his letters to those who tried to mix the Old Covenant and the New Covenant.

Christians with Legalistic Thinking

People who don't have any revelation of grace yet either:

1. See things in terms of obligation and not privilege.
2. Judge themselves and feel judged and condemned by God.

3. Are scared that God is angry at them/think that God doesn't love them as much as other people if they do something wrong.
4. Always compare themselves with others and feel like they are worth less than other people.
5. Are always sin-conscious.
6. Are scared that they'll sin by mistake and pray prayers like this, "Lord, forgive me for the sins that I don't know I committed."
7. Constantly eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (right/wrong thinking).
8. Think that they can earn or lose things from God by what they've done right or wrong.
9. See God as far off.
10. Find it hard to accept the goodness of God.

Or, conversely:

1. Act religiously superior, think themselves better than others.
2. Judge others
3. Judge people who think differently to what they do.
4. Find it hard to accept when others are blessed by God, because they think that they've earned it more or that the others didn't earn it.

We want to get back to the Tree of Life, to Jesus.

The Law and the Old Covenant

It is actually really amazing that we still have so many problems with this because the law and the Old Covenant haven't been applicable for 2000 years, already. We live under a new covenant, a completely new covenant.

> **Hebrews 8:6-9**
> *but now he has received so much more excellent a ministry, as he is also the mediator of a better covenant: **a covenant made in better promises.** [7] For if that first covenant had been faultless, then no place would have been sought for a second. [8]Because finding fault with them, He says: "Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah— [9] not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they did not continue in My covenant, and I disregarded them, says the Lord.*

How Biblical Covenants Work

How Did The Law Come About?

God is a God of grace, who has always longed to have a relationship with man, a relationship based on grace and favor.

1. **God's Covenant with Adam and Eve (Genesis 1-3):** Adam and Eve didn't do anything to get into that relationship with God and get access to Eden, God just gave it to them because of His covenant of grace and favor.

2. **God's Covenant with Noah** (Genesis 6:6-9): This covenant already points to Chris. Noah was kept safe in the ark and was saved from judgment. We will be saved from judgment in Christ. (1 Peter 3). God promised that He would bless Noah and use Him (Genesis 9).
3. **God's covenant with Abraham (Genesis 15)**: This was a covenant of favor. The Bible tells us that Abraham was considered righteous *because of his faith*. (Genesis 15:6) and that was *before* he was circumcised, before the law came about). He believed that God would do what He said He would do. Abraham slept whilst God entered into the covenant with him.

We all know the story about Abraham's descendants, Isaac and Ishmael, Jacob and Esau, Joseph the people in Egypt. They were in slavery for 400 years, then God set them free because He remembered His covenant with Abraham.

Exodus 2:24
So God heard their groaning, and God remembered His covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. 25 And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God acknowledged them.

Before the Law: No Judgment

Every single time the people complained, God reacted with salvation (Exodus 14:11-12, 15:24, 16:2, 16:27 and 17:1). This was before the law, so there was no judgment.

The Giving of the Law

Exodus 19:4-9
*'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself. [5] **Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine. [6] And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel." [7] So Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before them all these words which the Lord commanded him. [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. [9] And the Lord said to Moses, "Behold, I come to you in the thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and believe you forever." So Moses told the words of the people to the Lord.*

When God started to give the law and the Ten Commandments (Exodus 20), the people rejected faith and personal relationship. They wanted rules and someone to stand between them and God and agreed to those rules, saying, *"All the words which the Lord has said we will do."* (Exodus 24:3).

Exodus 20:18
*Now all the people witnessed the thunderings, the lightning flashes, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw it, they trembled and stood afar off. [19] Then they said to Moses: **"You speak with us, and we will hear; but let not God speak with us, lest we die."***

Deuteronomy 27:26
*'Cursed is the one who does not confirm all the words of this law by observing them.' "**And all the people shall say, 'Amen!'"***

Exodus 24:4

And Moses wrote all the words of the Lord. And he rose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars according to the twelve tribes of Israel. [5] Then he sent young men of the children of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the Lord. [6] And Moses took half the blood and put it in basins, and half the blood he sprinkled on the altar. [7] ***Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the Lord has said we will do, and be obedient."***

They agreed three times. Then Moses went back up the mountain and stayed up there 40 days and 40 nights. Moses received all sorts of regulations and provisions.

Exodus 31:18

And when He had made an end of speaking with him on Mount Sinai, He gave Moses two tablets of the Testimony, tablets of stone, written with the finger of God.

Meanwhile the people had made the golden calf, and as a result three thousand people died that day (Exodus 32:28). There was judgment for the first time. In the book of Acts 3000 people were saved when the Holy Spirit was poured out. The letter kills but the Spirit brings life.

Exodus 34:29-35

Now it was so, when Moses came down from Mount Sinai (and the two tablets of the Testimony were in Moses' hand when he came down from the mountain), that Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone while he talked with Him. [30] So when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. [31] Then Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned to him; and Moses talked with them. [32] Afterward all the children of Israel came near, and he gave them as commandments all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. [33] And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face. [34] But whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with Him, he would take the veil off until he came out; and he would come out and speak to the children of Israel whatever he had been commanded. [35] And whenever the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone, then Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with Him.

The law made people aware of God's holiness and their own sin and shortcomings and called out for God's judgment. It was NOT a covenant of favor.

The Davidic Covenant

This was a Covenant of Favor. God chose David to be king – a type of Jesus, both King and Priest.

2 Samuel 7:11-17

since the time that I commanded judges to be over My people Israel, and have caused you to rest from all your enemies. Also the Lord tells you that He will make you a house. [12] "When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, ***I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. [13] He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever****. [14] I will be his Father, and he shall be My son. If he commits iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men and with the blows of the sons of men. [15]* ***But My mercy shall not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I removed from before you.*** *[16] And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever." ' " [17] According to all these words and according to all this vision, so Nathan spoke to David.*

2 Samuel 7:28-29

"And now, O Lord God, You are God, and Your words are true, and You have promised this goodness to Your servant. (your covenant is trustworthy) [29] ***Now therefore, let it please You to bless the house of Your servant, that it may continue before You forever; for You, O Lord God, have spoken it, and with Your blessing let the house of Your servant be blessed forever."***

God promised David four things:

1. I will make your name great (2 Samuel 7:9).
2. I will be your father and you will be My son (2 Samuel 7:13-14).
3. I will make a house for you (2 Samuel 7:11-12).
4. Your house, your kingdom and throne will be eternal (2 Samuel 7:13-16).

David danced in priest's clothing – a linen ephod and brought sacrifices. Jesus fulfilled this covenant too. The Son of God, descendant of David. *"I will be to Him a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son"?* (Hebrews 1:5). In the generations that followed David, were disobedient, sinned and were sent into exile. Over a period of three years, the prophets spoke about the restoration of the House and Throne of David. **In these years of Exile, the prophets spoke about the restoration of the House and Throne of David. The fulfillment of the Davidic Covenant (Isa.9,11, 55, Jer.3, 23, Eze.34, 37, Mic.5, Amos.9. The fallen tent of David).**

Acts 15:14

Simon has declared how God at the first visited the gentiles to take out of them a people for His name. [15] ***And with this the words of the prophets agree, just as it is written:*** [16] ***'After this I will return and will rebuild the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down; I will rebuild its ruins, and I will set it up;***

Matthew 1:1

This is the list of the ancestors of ***Jesus Christ, a descendant of David, who was a descendant of Abraham.***

Luke 1:30

Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. [31] *And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus.* [32] *He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and* ***the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.*** [33] *And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."*

The coming of the new covenant was also the fulfillment of the **Abrahamitic** and **Davidic** Covenants, and **signaled the end of the Mosaic Covenant**. It was never meant to continue and definitely wasn't meant to have such a prominent role in the church 2000 years later.

Hebrews 7:18 (ESV)

For on the one hand, ***a former commandment is set aside because of its weakness and uselessness*** [19] ***for the law made nothing perfect; on the other hand****, there is the bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to God.*

Hebrews 7:18

For on the one hand there is an annulling of the ***former commandment because of its weakness and unprofitableness,***

This is also true for the Jewish law. The law didn't ensure that people could be saved in any way. But thanks to Jesus, the law has been replaced by something better:

Hebrews 8:6-9, 13

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. [7] For if that first covenant had been faultless, then no place would have been sought for a second. [8]Because finding fault with them, He says: "Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah— [9] not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they did not continue in My covenant, and I disregarded them, says the Lord. ...[13] In that He says, "A new covenant," He has made the first obsolete. Now what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away…

2 Corinthians 3:13

unlike Moses, who put a veil over his face so that the children of Israel couldn't look steadily at the end of what was passing away.

The former was declared old; The former has passed away.

The Tabernacle of David

Acts 15:5-19

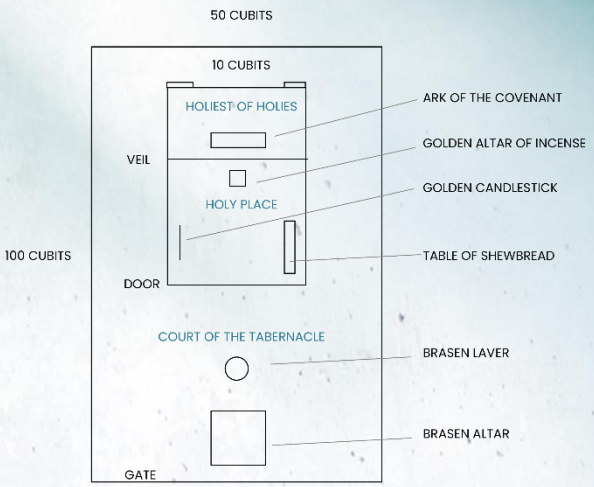
*But some of the sect of the Pharisees who believed rose up, saying, "It is necessary to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses." [6] Now the apostles and elders came together to consider this matter. [7] **And when there had been much dispute**, Peter rose up and said to them: "Men and brethren, you know that a good while ago God chose among us, that by my mouth the gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe. [8] So God, who knows the heart, acknowledged them by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as He did to us, [9] and made no distinction between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith. [10] Now therefore, why do you test God by putting a yoke on the neck of the disciples which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear? [11] But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved in the same manner as they." [12] Then all the multitude kept silent and listened to Barnabas and Paul declaring how many miracles and wonders God had worked through them among the gentiles. And after they had become silent, James answered, saying, "Men and brethren, listen to me: [14] Simon has declared how God at the first visited the gentiles to take out of them a people for His name. [15] And with this the words of the prophets agree, just as it is written: **'After this I will return and will rebuild the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down; I will rebuild its ruins, and I will set it up; [17] So that the rest of mankind may seek the Lord, even all the gentiles who are called by My name, says the Lord who does all these things.'** [18] "Known to God from eternity are all His works. [19] Therefore I judge that we should not trouble those from among the gentiles who are turning to God,*

James said, that what Amos had prophesied was now being fulfilled – Amos 9:11-12.

The Tabernacle of Moses

2 Chronicles 1:3

Then Solomon, and all the assembly with him, went to the high place that was at Gibeon; for the tabernacle of meeting with God was there, which Moses the servant of the Lord had made in the wilderness. [4] But David had brought up the ark of God from Kirjath Jearim to the place David had prepared for it, for he had pitched a tent for it at Jerusalem.



1 Chronicles 16:1

So they brought the ark of God, and set it in the midst of the tabernacle that David had erected for it. Then they offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before God.

David was anointed three times:

1. **As a prophet –** David was a prophet (Acts 2:29,30).
2. **As king –** David was king.
3. **As priest** – David also served as a priest.

Other than Moses, we don't see anyone else who was king, priest and prophet under the Old Covenant. Both Moses and David built tabernacles. Moses was a prophet (Deuteronomy 18:15-18), King (Deuteronomy 33:5) a priest (Leviticus 2:1-3,10). After David was anointed for the third time, he took Zion, set up the tabernacle of God there and stepped into priestly ministry. King Saul tried to step into the priestly ministry and was judged for it (2 Kings 26:15-21, Isaiah 6:1).

David as priest:

1. Wore a priests linen shirt, an ephod (2 Samuel 6:14).
2. Set the Ark of the Covenant in the tabernacle that he had made (2 Samuel 6:17).
3. Brought burnt offerings and peace offerings to the Lord (2 Samuel 6:17).
4. Blessed people with a priestly blessing in the Name of the Lord (2 Samuel 6:18, Numbers 6:24-27).
5. Ate the shewbread (1 Samuel 21:1).
6. Built a tabernacle, just like Moses did
7. Gave bread and wine to people (1 Chronicles 16:3).

David's key opened the door for the gentiles to come into the Kingdom. They came straight to the Ark of the Covenant, without having to first follow all sorts of rules. Christ is a descendant of David, sits on the throne of David, comes under the Davidic covenant and is part of the kingdom of David, which brought an end to the sacrificial rituals of the Law of Moses. ALL the people agreed to this. At this point the Tabernacle of Moses was still around, it just didn't have the Ark in it anymore. That tabernacle was in Shiloh, without the Ark in it (Joshua 18:1, Jeremiah 7:12, 1 Chronicles 16:37,43-21:28-30, 2 Chronicles 1:1-6).

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BECAUSE OF THE OLD COVENANT

1. No-one could be made righteous by the law (Romans 3:20, 8:3)
2. The people became aware of sin, thus ensuring that people sinned (Romans 3:20, 1 Corinthians 15:56, Romans 7:5-7)
3. The people came under the curse because of the law (Galatians 3:10)
4. Wrath through the law because sin increased and was imputed (Romans 4:15, 5:20, James 2:10-11)
5. The Law Helped Us See How Powerless We Are (Romans 7:14, 8:3)
6. The Law Points Us Towards Christ (Hebrews 7:18, Romans 10:4, Galatians 3:19,24)
7. The Law Brought Slavery and Death (Galatians 4:21:3)

Comparisons of the Law and Grace

Isaac (Sarah) & Ishmael (Hagar, the Slave) and Zion (the new-testament church) & Sinai.

Sinai: represents the Old Covenant and the law. It was the mountain where Moses received the Ten Commandments (Exodus 20:1)

Zion: Zion is the mountain in Israel where David built Jerusalem and where Solomon built the temple. In the New Testament, Zion doesn't literally refer to Jerusalem or the physical mountain, but the New Covenant, grace, and the church.

> **Hebrews 12:18**
> *For you have not come to the mountain that may be touched and that burned with fire, and to blackness and darkness and tempest, [19] and the sound of a trumpet and the voice of words, so that those who heard it begged that the word should not be spoken to them anymore. [20] (For they couldn't endure what was commanded: "And if so much as a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned or shot with an arrow." [21] And so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I am exceedingly afraid and trembling." [22] But* ***you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God,*** *the* ***heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels*** *[23] to the* ***general assembly*** *and church of the firstborn who are* ***registered in heaven,*** *to God the Judge of all,* ***to the spirits of just men made perfect, [24] to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.***

The blood of Abel calls for judgment; the blood of Jesus calls for grace.

What Does the New Testament Call the Ministry of the Law?

The New Covenant doesn't speak at all positively about the ministry of the law. It doesn't work. It wasn't God's plan.

> **2 Corinthians 3:6**
> *who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. [7] But if the* ***ministry of death, written and engraved on stones,*** *was glorious, so that the children of Israel couldn't look steadily at the face of Moses because of the glory of his countenance, which glory was passing away, [8] how will the ministry of the Spirit not be more glorious? [9] For* ***if the ministry of condemnation had glory,*** *the ministry of righteousness exceeds much more in glory. [10] For even what was made glorious had no glory in this respect, because of the glory that excels. [11] For* ***als if what is passing away*** *was glorious,*

what remains is much more glorious. [12] Therefore, since we have such hope, we use great boldness of speech – [13] unlike Moses, who put a veil over his face so that the children of Israel ***couldn't look steadily at the end of what was passing away.*** *[14] But their minds were blinded. For until this day the same veil remains unlifted in the reading of the Old Testament, because the veil is taken away in Christ. [15] But even to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart. [16] Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. [17] Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. [18] But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.*

The Bibles say the law: kills (2 Corinthians 3:6-7), condemns (2 Corinthians 3:9), was passing away (2 Corinthians 3:7, 11, 13), was veiled (2 Corinthians 3:14-16) and gave birth to slavery (Galatians 4:24).

Redeemed from the Law and Brought Under Grace

God made a covenant with Israel and Himself through the Law, and *a covenant can never be broken*. This is exactly where God's brilliant plan for Jesus Christ came to fulfillment, in three steps:

Step 1: Jesus Fulfilled the Requirement of the Law, Because He Had Never Sinned (Galatians 4:4, Romans 8:3)

Step 2: Jesus died, so the covenant of the law had no more claim on Him (Romans 7:1-6)

Step 3: We are born into Christ by being born again (Galatians 2:19, Galatians 4:4, Romans 6:3, 7:4-6, Colossians 2:12-14, Galatians 6:15)

Gentiles were NEVER under the law. Gentiles didn't have any covenant with God and therefore weren't bound by the law. God, however, had already planned from the beginning of the world to reconcile both Jew and Gentile to Himself (Genesis 22:18, Galatians 3:7-9)

Ephesians 2:12

that at that time you were without Christ, ***being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise,*** *having no hope and without God in the world. [13] But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off* ***have been brought near*** *by the blood of Christ. [14] For He Himself is our peace,* ***who has made both one,*** *and has* ***broken down the middle wall of separation****, [15] having abolished in His flesh the enmity,* ***that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two,*** *thus making peace, [16] and that He might* ***reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross****, thereby putting to death the enmity. [17] And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near.* ***[18] For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father.*** *[19] Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners,* ***but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.***

Galatians 3:24-28

Therefore the ***law was our tutor to bring us to Christ****, that we might be justified by faith. [25] But after faith has come****, we are no longer under a tutor****. [26] For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. [27]* ***For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.*** *[28] There is neither* ***Jew*** *nor* ***Greek****, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female;* ***for you are all one in Christ Jesus.***

Galatians 2:19-20

*For **I through the law died to the law that I might live to God.** [20] I **have been crucified with Christ**; it is no longer I who live, but **Christ lives in me**; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.*

Romans 6:14

*For sin shall not have dominion over you... for you are not under law **but under grace**.*

The Law and the Prophets, it all points to Christ. Listen to the Son.

Matthew 17:1

*After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. [2] There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. [3] Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus. [4] Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." [5] While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, **"This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!"***

Forgiveness of Sin.

Old Testament	New Testament
The Type	The Anti-Type, The Actual Thing
The Shadow	The Actual Thing
Earthly	Heavenly
Natural	Spiritual
Temporal	Eternal
The Promise	The Fulfilment
The Old Covenant	The New Covenant

The old, i.e., the Old Covenant, is gone, everything has become new. If someone is in Christ. He is a new creation.

The pattern, the anti-type the type for forgiveness of sin is already given in the Old Testament (Genesis 3:21) and, of course, later in the law of Moses, the tabernacle, the priesthood, and the sacrifices.

The Type	The Actual Thing
The door	Christ, the Way
The bronze altar and the sacrifices:	Christ the lamb that was slain
The wash basin (bronze)	Christ who cleans us, sanctifies us and sets us apart/ baptism. Bronze – judgment over sin.
The Golden Candlestick (the menora)	Christ, the Light of the world
The table with shewbread	Christ, the Bread from Heaven / The Bread of life (John 6:35).

Wood, gold. The tabernacle of Moses 12 In the Temple of Solomon 120.	Jesus as a man, clothed with God. Christ the hand of God, came down from heaven, paid with blood, didn't have any earthly glory. The day of Pentecost and the harvest of the Holy Spirit. Not just 12 tribes, but the whole world and all languages
The altar of incense	Christ our Intercessor, Advocate and Middleman
The curtain	Christ our access to the Father – His flesh (Hebrews-10:20).
The Ark of the Covenant. The ark was made of wood and overlaid with gold on the inside and on the outside.	**Christ who lives among us – the fullness of God in a human body**
The mercy seat (Hebrews-9:5).	Christ our reconciliation – (Romans 3:25 (AMP) whom God displayed publicly [before the eyes of the world] as a [life-giving] sacrifice of atonement and reconciliation (propitiation) by His blood [to be received] through faith). God spoke from the mercy seat which was sprinkled with blood. If there weren't any mercy seat and blood between man and God (the Ten Commandments), judgment was immediate as in 1 Samuel 6:19-20.
There were two golden cherubs on the ark. The mercy seat was a whole that had three parts... the seat(cover) and two cherubs.	The cherubs of God's glory (Hebrews-9:5). The guardians of the glory of God (Genesis 3:21, 24), guarding the blood of Christ just as they guard the Tree of Life.
The Ten Commandments	The law that points us to Christ
The golden pot of manna	Christ, our heavenly manna, divine healing and provision.
The staff that had budded	Christ our High Priest in the Order of Melchizedek.
There weren't any chairs or places to rest in the tabernacle.	*And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.* [12] *But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God,* (Hebrews-10:11)
The Tabernacle as a whole	Christ is God living with man.

What Hebrews Says About The Ministry of The Law.	Reference
The law was changed because the Levitical priesthood couldn't perfect anything	Hebrews-7:11
The commandment of the law was set aside	Hebrews-7:18
The commandment was set aside because it was weak and useless	Hebrews-7:18

The law didn't bring anything to perfection	Hebrews-7:18
The first covenant was replaced by the second	Hebrews-8:7
The New Covenant DOES NOT follow the Old Covenant	Hebrews-8:9
The Old Covenant was declared outdated and had to disappear.	Hebrews-8:13
He takes away the first that He may establish the second	Hebrews-10:9

The Covenant with Jesus	
by so much more Jesus has become a surety of a better covenant	Hebrews-7:22
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	Hebrews-8:6

Sin and forgiveness under the Old Covenant	**Sin and forgiveness under the New Covenant**
The people under the Old Covenant never entered the rest – not even through the sabbath.	We have entered into the rest and can rest from our work, just as God rested from His work (Hebrews-4:10).
People are only priests in the Order of Aaron and the Levites for a time (Hebrews-7).	Christ is our High Priest forever in the Order of Melchizedek (Hebrews-6:20).
The Levitical priesthood and the law wasn't able to make anything perfect (Hebrews-7:11).	Jesus DOES JUST THAT→ He makes us perfect (Hebrews-7:20).
Levitical priests had to bring sacrifices again and again, for their own sins too (Hebrews-7:27)	Jesus offered Himself once and for all (Hebrews-7:27, Hebrews-10:9).
The law appoints as high priests men **who have weakness** (Hebrews-7:28)	The New Covenant presents the Son who is perfect forever (Hebrews-7:28).
The priests served in the natural tabernacle	Jesus served in the heavenly Sanctuary and in the various tabernacles (Hebrews-8:2,9:11)

The priests always went in to do their service and the High Priest went in again every year (Hebrews-9:6).	Jesus went into the heavenly Sanctuary once (Hebrews-9:26).
Jesus - a new covenant, that IS NOT like the covenant that I made with their fathers. (Hebrews-8:8). The old has been declared outdated and gone (Hebrews-9:13)	
The law for the Old Covenant was written on stones.	The law for the New Covenant is written on our hearts (Hebrews-8:10).
The law constantly reminded the people of their sins and unrighteousness.	*"...and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."* (Hebrews-8:12).
The High Priest had to go in and offer blood every year (Hebrews-9:7).	The Holy Spirit makes it clear here that the way into the true sanctuary was not yet open (Hebrews-9:8).
The sacrifices weren't able to make the people (including the priests) perfect (Hebrews-9:9).	Jesus sacrifice brings peace and perfection to our consciences (we enter that rest) (Hebrews-4, 9:14).
The sacrifices and offerings couldn't perfect their consciences (Hebrews-9:9) It was temporary redemption.	Jesus entered the sanctuary once and for all with his own blood **procuring eternal redemption for us** (Hebrews-9:12). Eternal Redemption.
It was about the blood of cows and goats. *13 For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh,*	Jesus went in with His own, spotless, holy blood. ***how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?*** *(Hebrews-9:14)*
They couldn't get rid of sin under the Old Covenant – they could only cleanse and cover it for a time.	***[Jesus now], once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself*** *(Hebrews-9:27).*
Jesus bore our sin (Hebrews-9:28). Jesus took away our sin (Hebrews-10:4).	
Man wasn't made perfect under the Old Covenant, otherwise they **wouldn't be aware of their sins any more, if they'd been cleansed once and for all →**	We have been made perfect through Christ and shouldn't be aware of our sin at all anymore – we have been purified once and for all.

the sacrifices that they had to make constantly reminded them of their sin (Hebrews-10:2).	(Hebrews-10:1-3)
Couldn't make the people holy.	we have been made holy **once and for all** through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ (Hebrews-10:10).
The priests served every day, bringing sacrifices that could never take sin away (Hebrews-10:11).	Jesus Christ brought the sacrifice for sin once and for all and is **forever seated at the right hand of God** (Hebrews-10:12).
[14] For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.	
[17] ..."Their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."	
[18] Now where there is remission of these, **there is no longer an offering for sin.** Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, [20] by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, [21] and having a High Priest over the house of God, [22] let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, **having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.**	

We often have old-testament thinking when it comes to sin and forgiveness: