

Calvary Church: Coordinated Curriculum 2007-2008
Romans: The Transforming Power of the Righteousness of God

Mark Observations

Record Observations & Questions

Look for words that are

Repeated
Alike
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Romans 7:1-12

- 1 Or do you not know, brothers—
 for I am speaking to those who know the law—
 that the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives?
- 2 Thus a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives,
 but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage.
- 3 Accordingly,
 she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man
 while her husband is alive.
 But if her husband dies, she is free from that law,
 and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.
- 4 Likewise, my brothers,
 you also have died to the law
 through the body of Christ,
 so that you may belong to another,
 to him who has been raised from the dead,
 in order that we may bear fruit for God.
- 5 For while we were living in the flesh,
 our sinful passions,
 aroused by the law,
 were at work in our members
 to bear fruit for death.
- 6 But now we are released from the law,
 having died to that which held us captive,
 so that we serve not under the old written code
 but in the new life of the Spirit.
- 7 What then shall we say?
 That the law is sin?
 By no means!
 Yet if it had not been for the law,
 I would not have known sin.
 I would not have known what it is to covet
 if the law had not said, "You shall not covet."
- 8 But sin, seizing an opportunity
 through the commandment,
 produced in me all kinds of covetousness.
 Apart from the law, sin lies dead.
- 9 I was once alive apart from the law,
 but when the commandment came,
 sin came alive and I died.
- 10 The very commandment that promised life
 proved to be death to me.
- 11 For sin, seizing an opportunity
 through the commandment,
 deceived me and through it killed me.
- 12 So the law is holy,
 and the commandment is holy and righteous and good. (ESV)

Questions (Be sure to list the verse number for your answer to ensure you are answering from this text.)



Think about it

Observation

Context: look for similarities

Romans 7	Romans 6
7:1	6:14
7:4	6:2 6:21-22
7:6	6:6 6:18, 22
7:4-6	6:18-22

Look for conclusion, result or purpose statements (“for” “for this reason” “so that” “because” etc.).

We know that no illustration is perfect, but what is the anomaly in Paul’s illustrations (7:2-3)? That is, what is contrast between 7:1 and 7:2-3?

What is the reason that Paul emphasizes that believers are dead to the Law? What are the results?



What do we learn
About God?



Act on it

Application or Personal Challenge

What is the truth you need to seek to apply this week?



Talk about it

Who can you share your insights with?