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Rhymes with Cheetah







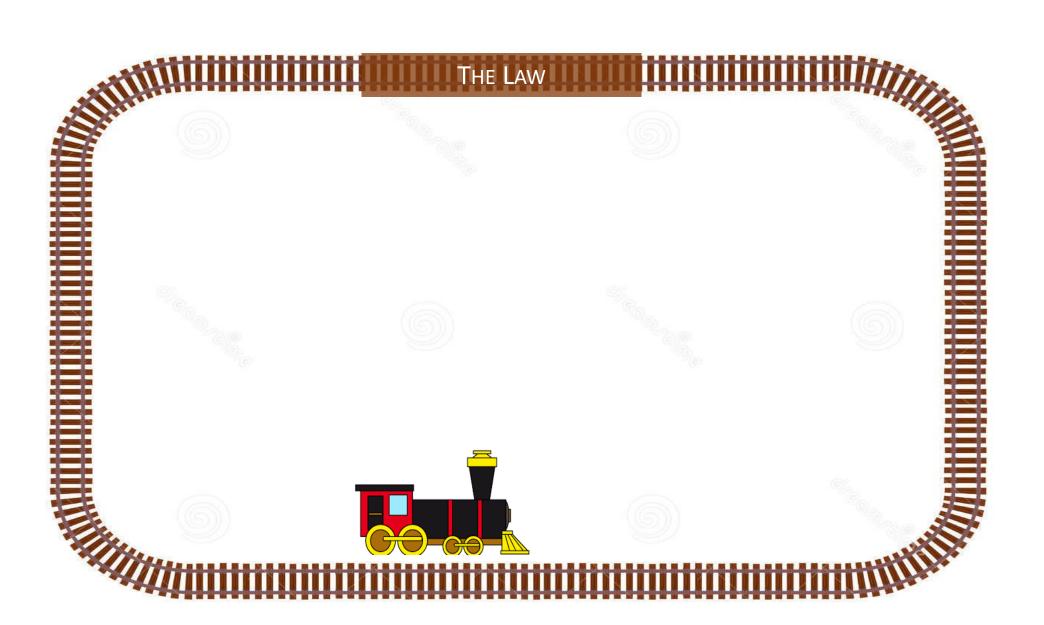


## Place4You College of Law Syllabus

- 1. What the Law is (and what it's not)
- 2. God's Purpose for the Law
- 3. How Jesus fulfills the Law

# What the Law is (and is not)

- Set of rules to live by
  - A framework or track
- Defines consequences
- Does not Justify
- Does not Save













## **Traffic Laws**

#### **With Effective Laws**



## **Traffic**

#### **With Effective Laws**



#### **Without Effective Laws**



"It is because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law."

Mark 10:7



### The Track became a Shackle

#### The Lord says:

"These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is based on merely human rules they have been taught."



Isaiah 29:13

# God's Purpose for the Law

- Reveals our sinful nature
- Drives us to Jesus
- Acts as a guardian until Jesus return
- Does not Save

### The Law Reveals we are Sinners

"For the more we know of God's laws, the clearer it becomes that we aren't obeying them; his laws serve only to make us see that we are sinners."

Romans 3:20 NLT

"Therefore, the true function and the chief and proper use of the Law is to reveal to man his sin, blindness, misery, wickedness, ignorance, hate and contempt of God, death, hell, judgement and the well-deserved wrath of God."

Martin Luther, Lectures on Galatians



### The Law Drives us to Jesus

"Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?"

Romans 7:24 ESV



### The Law as Guardian

"Until Christ came we were guarded by the law, kept in protective custody...until we could believe in the coming Savior."

Galatians 3:23 NLT



#### A Tale of Two Mothers

#### **Hagar: Slave**

- Son Ishmael
  - Born a slave
- Conceived by works
  - Abraham acted
- Old Covenant: Law/Works
  - Bi-Lateral
- Child by Proxy
  - Illegitimate
- The Old Jerusalem

#### Sarah: Free

- Son Isaac
  - Free-born
- Conceived by faith
  - Abraham believed
- New Covenant: Promise/Faith
  - Unilateral
- Child by Promise
  - Faith
- The New Jerusalem to come

### How Jesus Fulfills the Law

- Faith NOT Works that Saves
- One in Christ
- Adopted through Christ

# It is by Faith in Jesus

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast."

Ephesians 2:8-9

"Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former."

Matt 23:23

### **Fulfill the Law not Abolish**

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them."

Matthew 5:17

## **Galatian Division**

Circumcised
Jewish
Christians
- Heirs

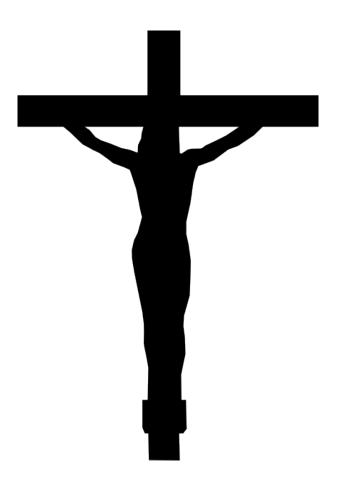
Uncircumcised
Gentile
Christians
- Orphans

#### One in Christ

"So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith ... There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."

Galatians 3:26-29

#### **The Cross Unifies Us**



We are ALL Adopted Through Christ

# **Adopted through Christ**

"Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God."

John 1:2



"Salvation in Christ does not rest on a law that we inevitably break, it rests on a promise that God cannot break."

Phil Ryken, Galatians

