

THE GREATEST LETTER EVER WRITTEN #15
"What the Law Does "
Romans 7:7-13

Review:

THE PURPOSES OF THE LAW - Romans 7:7-13

1. The law _____ sin.

What shall we say, then? Is the law sin? Certainly not! Indeed I would not have known what sin was except through the law. For I would not have known what coveting really was if the law had not said, "Do not covet." (vs.7)

Relativism: "Any doctrine which denies the existence of _____ values."

–*The Catholic Encyclopedia*

Ten Commandments

- #1 *Do not worship other Gods.*
- #2 *Do not fashion or carve any images.*
- #3 *Do not take the LORD's name in vain.*
- #4 *Do not work on the Sabbath.*
- #5 *Do not dishonor your father and your mother.*
- #6 *Do not murder.*
- #7 *Do not commit adultery.*
- #8 *Do not steal.*
- #9 *Do not bear false witness.*
- #10 *Do not covet.*

2. The law _____ sin.

But sin seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandments produced in me every kind of covetous desire. For apart from the Law sin is dead. Once I was alive apart from the Law. But with the commandment sin sprang to life and I died.(vs.8-9)

For not the hearers of the law are just in the sight of God, but the doers of the law will be justified. Romans 2:13 (NKJV)

3. The law _____ us and condemns us to death.

"I found that the very commandment that was intended to bring life actually brought death. For sin seizing the opportunity afforded me by the commandment deceived me and through the commandment put me to death." (vs. 10-11)

4. The law _____ God's perfection.

"So then the Law is holy and the commandment is holy, righteous and good." (vs.12)

Think About It: By reflecting God's perfection, the law _____ for the gospel.

Whatever the law says, it says...[so that] that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. Romans 3:19 (NKJV) [brackets mine]

5. The law shows the _____ of sin.

"... so that through the commandments sin might become utterly sinful." (vs.13)

"You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind... You shall love your neighbor as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets." Matthew 22:37, 39-40 (NKJV)

Remember: The goodness of the Law of God shows us the worst in man...

Closing: