



## Peters Green News Sheet Issue No: 18

Sunday 12th July 2020

### “We are Free from The Claws of The Law”

#### Freedom from Judgment (Romans 8:1–4)

Romans 3:20 speaks of the “therefore” of condemnation; but Romans 8:1 gives the “therefore” of *no* condemnation—a fantastic truth and the conclusion of a marvelous argument. The basis for this wonderful assurance is the phrase “**in Christ Jesus.**” In Adam, we were condemned. In Christ, there is no condemnation!

This verse does not say “no mistakes” or “no failures,” or even “no sins.” Christians *do* fail and make mistakes, and they do sin. Abraham lied about his wife; David committed adultery; Peter tried to kill a man with his sword. As a matter of fact, they suffered consequences because of their sins, but they did not suffer condemnation.

*As believers in Christ Jesus, our relationship with the law has changed, we no longer have an allegiance to the law, hence the law has no hold on us and cannot condemn us.*

Paul made three statements about the believer and the Law, and together they add up to: ***no condemnation.***

- 1) *The Law cannot claim you (v. 2).*** Believers have been set free from the law of sin and death. We now have life in the Spirit. We have moved into a whole new sphere of life in Christ. “The law of sin and death” is what Paul described in Romans 7:7–25. “The law of the Spirit of life” is described in Romans 8. The Law no longer has any jurisdiction over us, and we are dead to the Law (Rom. 7:4) and free from the Law (Rom. 8:2). Believers follow Jesus Christ to do the right thing and live right with Him.
- 2) *The Law cannot condemn you (v. 3).*** Why? Because Christ has already suffered that condemnation for us on the cross. The Law could not save; it can only condemn. But God sent His one and only Son to save us and do what the Law was powerless to do. Jesus did not come as an angel; He came as a man. He did not come “in sinful flesh,” for that would have made Him a sinner. He came *in the likeness* of sinful flesh, as a man. He bore our sins in His body on the cross. Jesus Christ paid once and for all, what was due for our sins, and we cannot be condemned for the condemnation that He has suffered.
- 3) *The Law cannot control you (v. 4).*** The believer lives a righteous life, not in the power of the Law, but in the power of the Holy Spirit. The Law does not have the power to produce holiness;

it can only reveal and condemn sin. But the indwelling Holy Spirit enables us to walk in obedience to God's will. The righteousness that God demands in His Law is fulfilled in us through the Spirit's power. In the Holy Spirit, we have life and liberty (Rom. 8:2) and "the pursuit of happiness" (Rom. 8:4).

Flesh cannot measure up to the righteousness that God demands. The indwelling of the Holy Spirit in a believer's life enables him/her to yield to the Lord and experience the sanctifying work of the Spirit in his/her life. (Phil 2:13) for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose. **SO IF THE SON SETS YOU FREE, YOU WILL BE FREE INDEED.**

God bless.

Samson.

### **Who Is He In Yonder Stall**

Who is He in yonder stall,  
At whose feet the shepherds fall?  
Who is He in deep distress,  
Fasting in the wilderness?  
'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story!  
'Tis the Lord! the King of glory!  
At His feet we humbly fall,  
Crown Him! crown Him Lord of all!

Who is He in deep distress,  
Fasting in the wilderness?  
Who is he the people bless  
For His words of gentleness?  
'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story!  
'Tis the Lord! the King of glory!  
At His feet we humbly fall,  
Crown Him! crown Him Lord of all!

Lo! at midnight, who is He  
Prays in dark Gethsemane?  
Who is he on yonder tree,  
Dies in grief and agony?  
At His feet we humbly fall,  
Crown Him! crown Him Lord of all!

Who is he that from the grave  
Comes to heal and help and save?  
Who is he that from His throne  
Rules thro' all the world alone?  
'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story!  
'Tis the Lord! the King of glory!  
At His feet we humbly fall,  
Crown Him! crown Him Lord of all

'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story!  
'Tis the Lord! the King of glory!  
At His feet we humbly fall,  
Crown Him! crown Him Lord of all

Source: Musixmatch  
Songwriters: R.h. Young

