**Exploring Romans**

**Lesson 8**

**Delivered From the Law**

Read Romans 7

 Memory Work: Romans 7:24, 25.

 1.a. Give Paul’s analogy of marriage and the Law.

 b. Does the Law die or do we (believers) die?

 c. How do we die?

 2. The Law has authority over living people. Therefore, how are we made free from the Law that condemns sinners to death? Verse 4.

 3.a. Should a Christian, freed from the Law, still try to obey the Ten Commandments? See Romans 3:31;

 Romans 8:4; 13:8, 10; Matthew 5:17-20.

 b. What about Exodus 20:8.

Challenge c. Is there any repeat of this Exodus 20:8 commandment in the New Testament? Why would this be?

 d. How should Christians observe Sundays?

 4.a. Now that we belong to a new husband (no longer bound to sin by the Law,) to whom do believers

 belong?

 b. Now that we are free from the Law’s condemnation, what are we free to do?

 7:4 (in order that)

 7:6 (so that)

 5.a. What did the Law reveal to Paul? Verses 7, 8.

b. How did the Law bring death to Paul? Verse 10; Exodus 20:17.

c. What was Paul’s opinion of the Law? Verse 12.

d. The Law is really like a m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, which reveals sin.

 6.a. How do we obey according to the Spirit rather than the Ten Commandments?

b. How do our fears get in the way?

 7.a. If you have died to the Law so that the penalties are removed, how does this change your attitude

 toward your responsibilities and the responsibilities of others?

b. Why and how does trying to do good, to win the approval of God or others, become a truly burdensome weight?

 ...when is enough, enough?

8.a. What is the harm of legalism?

 b. Why do people resort to legalism?

 c. What effect does legalism have on the church?

 d. How can a person be delivered from legalism?

9.a. Think about what you are freed from and write it down.

 b. Why do you think Paul had such a battle with this? Verses 15-24.

 c. Do you, or have you had the same struggle Paul did?

 10 .a. What are at least four ways in which the Law ministers to us today? Verses 7-13.

 1. 3.

 2. 4.

 b. Why is the Law unable to help us?

 11. Why is it impossible to obey the Law and live a happy and good life. . .what is the secret of doing good?

 12a. Where does Paul find hope in his struggle to live as God commanded? Verse 25.

b. Where will you find hope?