

Part 1 Recap

SET FREE BY GRACE

Jesus has set us free

Jesus has set us free by grace

Jesus has set us free by grace alone



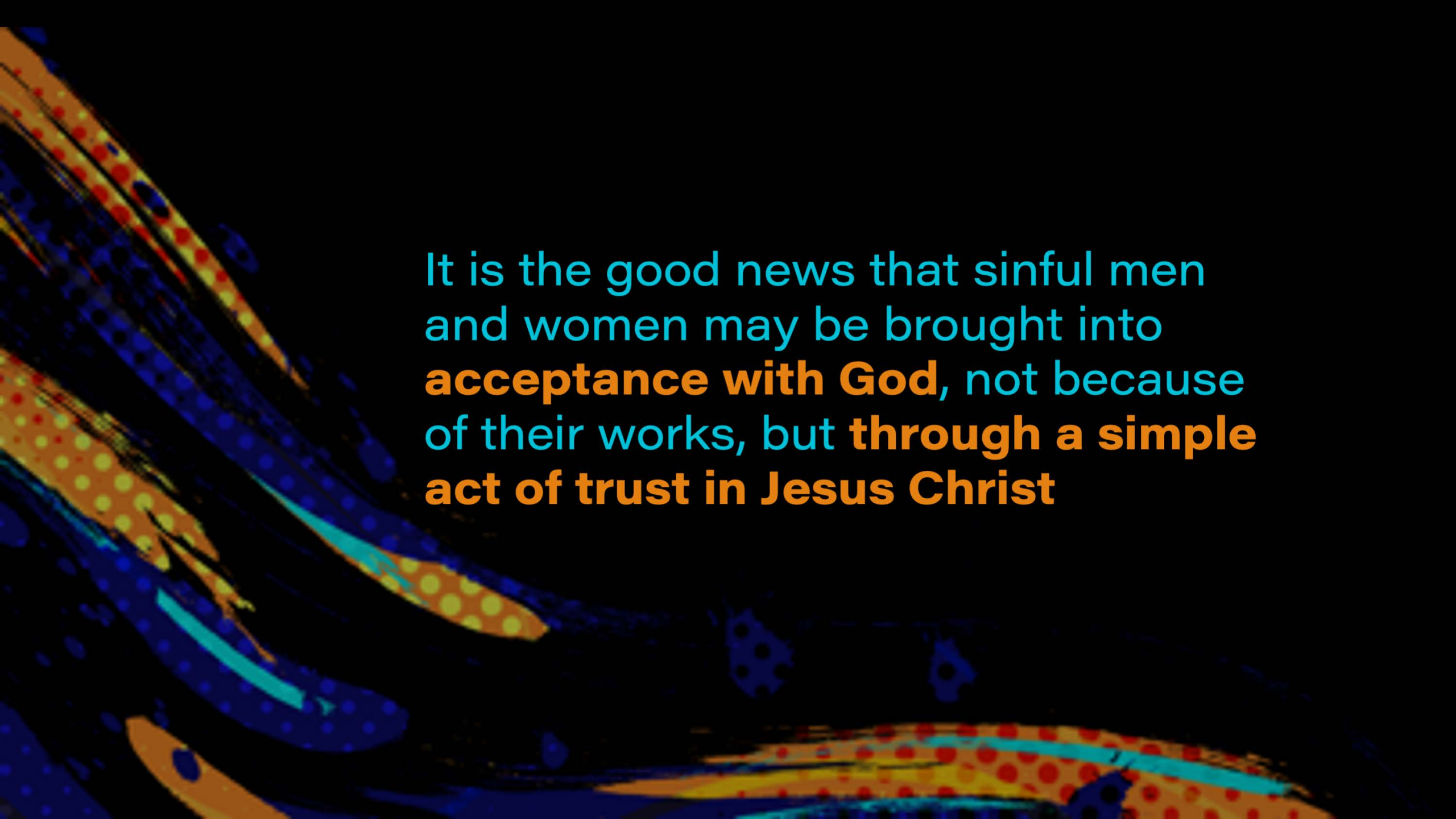
Galatians 2:15-21

Justify

- The word “justify” is used eight times in the book of Galatians
- Used three times in Galatians 2:16
- Once in Galatians 2:17 and another in Galatians 2:21
- Paul unfolds the doctrine of justification in his passage



**What is the doctrine
of justification?**



It is the good news that sinful men and women may be brought into **acceptance with God**, not because of their works, but **through a simple act of trust in Jesus Christ**

Justify

- The term 'justification' is borrowed from the court of law (a legal term)
- It is the opposite of condemnation
- To justify someone is to declare the person as not guilty
- Set free

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WE ARE FREE!

Part 2

**SET FREE
THROUGH FAITH**

Galatians 2:15-21



**1 WE ARE MADE
RIGHTEOUS
IN CHRIST**

Galatians 2:15-16

Made righteous in Christ

- Declared righteous by God
- Justified through faith in Christ
- Not by works of the law

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The danger of trying to justify
ourselves by works of the law is
falling into **legalism**

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Legalism is the idea of trying to earn
God's favor or approval based on
what we do or accomplish



Romans 3:21-26

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- This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to ALL WHO BELIEVE
- For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God
- Justified freely by his grace through redemption that came by Christ Jesus

“That if you confess with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.”

Romans 10:9-10



**“Therefore, there is now no condemnation
for those who are in Christ Jesus,”**

Romans 8:1



**2 WE CAN LIVE
RIGHTEOUSLY
IN CHRIST**

Galatians 2:17-21

Galatians 2:17-18

- Paul's critics: "How can it be so simple?"
- Will 'justified by faith' weaken a man's sense of moral responsibility?
- If he is accepted through faith in Christ, without any need to do good works, are you encouraging him to break the law?
- Paul's response: "Absolutely NOT!"

Galatians 2:19

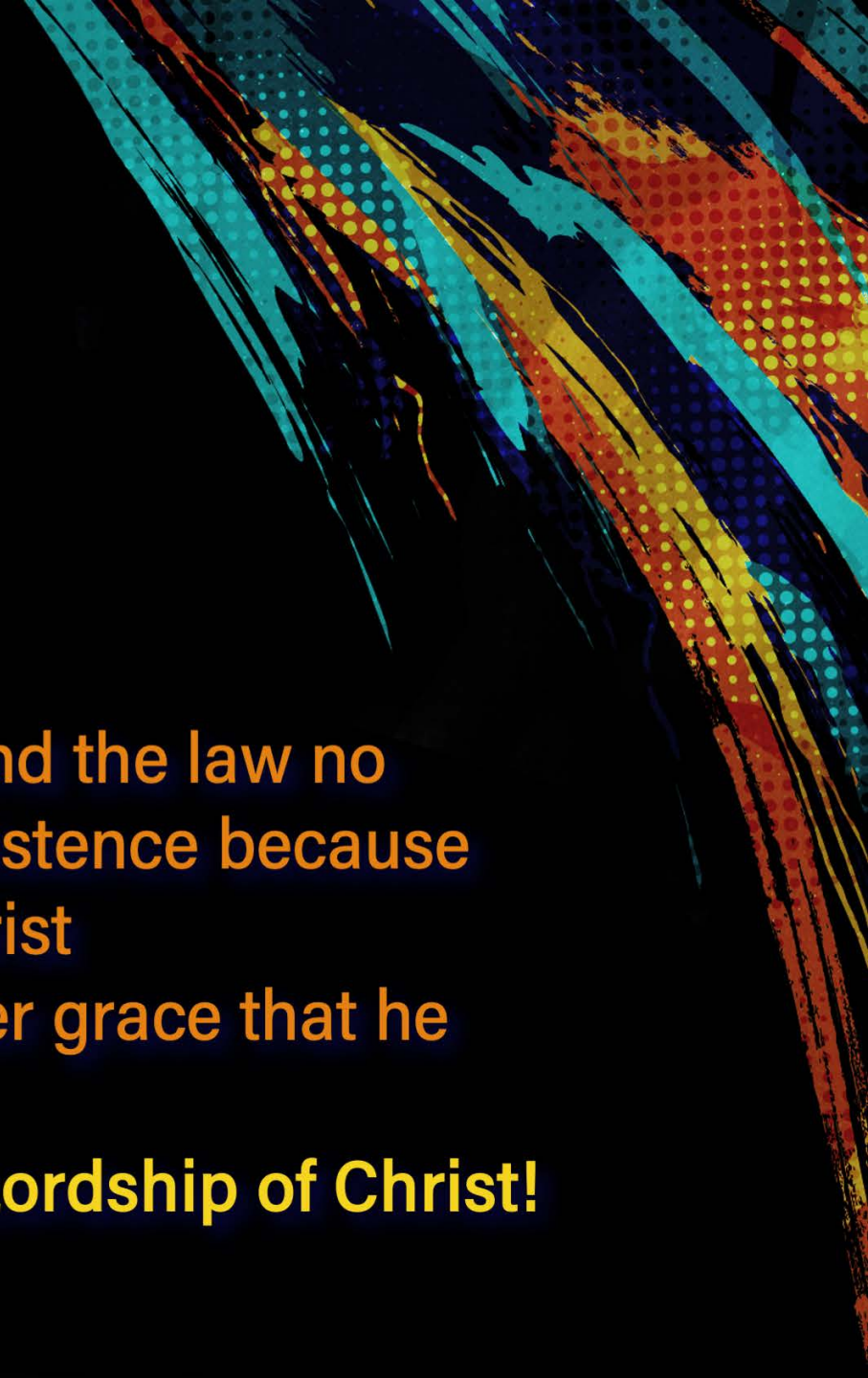
“through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God”

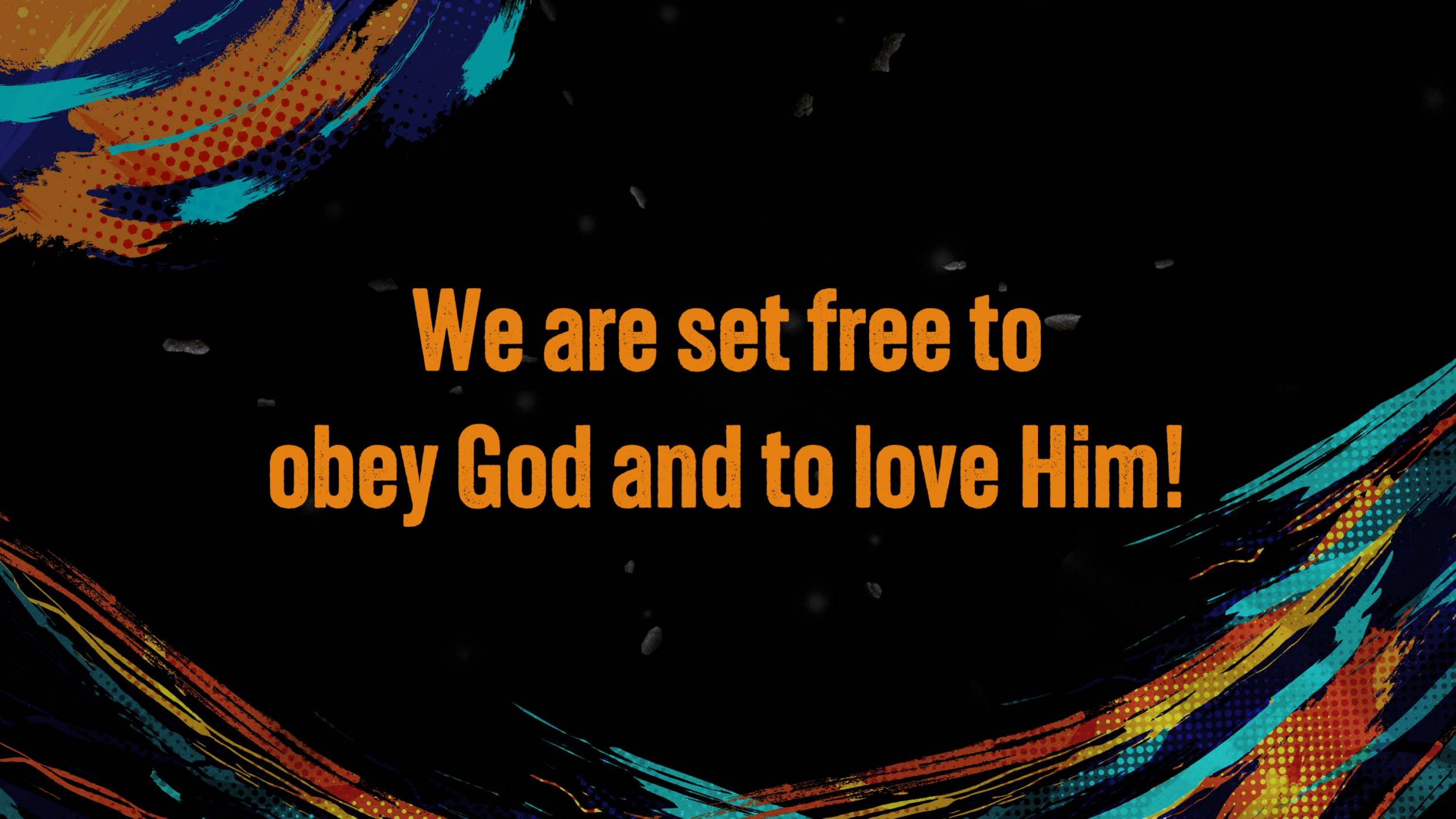
What Paul is
NOT saying:

- The Mosaic law had lost its meaning and was irrelevant to Christian believers

What Paul
is saying:

- Self, sin, the world and the law no longer dictate his existence because of his union with Christ
- He is a believer under grace that he may live for God
- **He lives under the Lordship of Christ!**



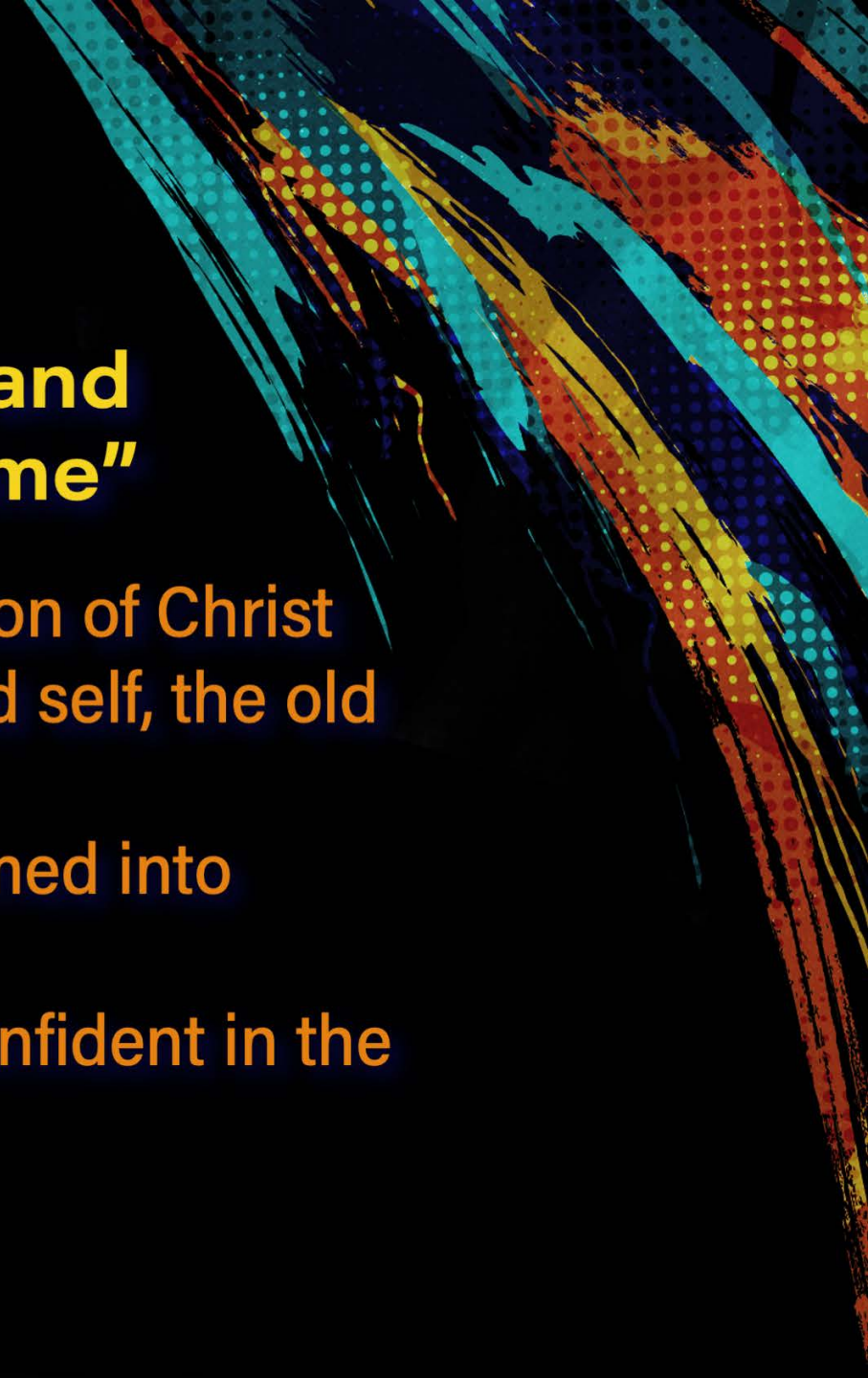


**We are set free to
obey God and to love Him!**

Galatians 2:20

“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me”

- He identified with the death and resurrection of Christ
- He is radically transformed – died to his old self, the old has gone, a new creation
- He is living a life in Christ – being transformed into Christlikeness, living in holiness
- He lives by faith in Christ – secured and confident in the love and grace of Jesus



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**We are set free to
live for Christ!**