

The Biblical Tension Regarding God's Law/Commandments

God's law/commandments are:

1. For our good - Dt 10:13
2. Written by God in the heart - Dt. 30:10-14; Isa 51:7; Jer 31:33; Rom 2:12-16; Heb 8:10
3. Perfect - Ps 19:7
4. Converting the soul - Ps 19:7
5. Pure - Ps 19:8
6. More to be desired and valuable than fine gold - Ps 19:10; 119:127
7. More to be desired than honey - Ps 19:10
8. Liberty/freedom - Ps 119:44-45; Jms 2:8-12
9. Truth - Ps 119:142,151
10. Great peace for those who love it - Ps 119:165
11. Righteousness - Ps 119:172
12. Ordained to life - Rom 7:10
13. Established by faith - Rom 3:31
14. Holy - Rom 7:12
15. Just - Rom 7:12
16. Good - Rom 7:12
17. Spiritual - Rom 7:14
18. Fulfilled in the life of one who walks according to the Spirit - Rom 8:14
19. That which reveals sin that we might be led to Christ - Gal 3:23-24; Rom 3:20; 7:13
20. Kept by God's saints - Rev 12:17; 14:12

What's Happening Here?

The law/commandments/Sinai are:

1. That which killed me - Rom 7:10-11
2. The power of sin - 1 Cor 15:56
3. A letter that kills - 2 Cor 3:6
4. A ministration of death - 2 Cor 3:7
5. A ministration of condemnation - 2 Cor 3:9
6. Engraved on stone only, not in the heart - 2 Cor 3:7
7. A veil which covers the heart and dulls the mind to the reception of spiritual things - 2 Cor 3:14-15
8. Something I have to die to in order to be married to Christ and receive salvation - Rom. 7:1-4; Gal 2:19
9. Not based on faith - Gal 3:12
10. A curse from which Jesus redeemed us - Gal 3:13
11. That which imprisoned us - Gal 3:23
12. That which will prevent those who try to live by from ever sharing in the inheritance of the saints - Gal. 4:30
- 13 That which produces slave children, not free - Gal 4:24-25,30-31