THE LAW OF CHRIST

(The Christian Way of Life)

A. The Law of Christ (1 Cor. 9:21; Gal. 6:2) is also known as the following:

- 1. "The Law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8:2)
- 2. "The Perfect Law, the Law of Liberty" (James 1:25; 2:12; 2 Cor. 3:17)

3. "The Royal Law" (James 2:8; cf. Matt. 19:19; 22:39, 40)

B. This **new law** is written on the hearts of believers as part of the New Covenant: (Hebrews 7:12, 25; 8:10; 2 Cor. 5:17)

1. **Confess your sins**. (1 John 1:9; James 5:1 6; cf. Levit. 5:5; Psa. 25:11; 32:5; 38:18;

Psa. 51:1-4; Prov. 28:13; Jer.3:13; Matt. 3:6)

- 2. "Be filled with the (Holy) Spirit" (Eph. 5:18; Rom. 8:4, 13b, 14; Gal. 5:16, 25)
- 3. "Study (be diligent) to present yourself approved unto God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, handling accurately (rightly dividing) the word of truth." (2 Tim. 2:15)
- 4. *"Grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."* (2 Pet. 3:18) God's *grace is sufficient* for us. (2 Cor. 12:9)
- 5. *"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."* (1 Thess. 5:17, 18; Eph. 6:18, 19; Phil. 4:6; Col. 4:2)
- 6. Love the brethren, and all men will know that you are My disciples. (John 13:34, 35; 15:12, 17; 1 John 3:23)
- "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Levit. 19:19; Matt.19:19; Mk. 12:31; Luke 10:27; Rom. 13:9, 10; Gal. 5:14; cf. Rom. 12:17, 18)
 - a. *"Be merciful"* (Luke 6:36; Matt.5:7)
 - b. Be "forgiving each other" (Matt. 18:21, 22; Eph. 4:32; Col. 3:13b; 2 Cor. 2:7)
 - c. "Bear one another's burdens" (Gal. 6:2; Rom. 15:1; Col.3:13a)
- 8. *"Present your body as a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable* (well pleasing) *to God,* (which is) *your spiritual service of worship."* (Rom. 12:1, 2; Heb. 13:16)
- 9. "Let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good works, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit (manner) of some but encouraging (one another), and all the more as you see the day drawing near." (Heb. 10:25; Rom. 14:19; 1 Thess. 2:10-12)
- 10. *"We walk by faith and not by sight."* (2 Cor. 5:7) *"And without faith it is impossible to please Him* (God)." (Heb. 11:6)

- 11. "Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men; knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve." (Col. 3: 23, 24; cf. Col. 3:17; Matt. 10:41-42; 1 Cor. 9:17; 2 John 8)
- 12. "Go and make disciples of all nationsteaching them to observe all that I commanded you." (Matt. 29:19, 20; 2 Tim. 2:2)
- 13. *"Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful."* (John 14:27; cf. John 14:1; James 1:2-4; Titus 2:13)
- 14 *"Keep seeking the things above, where Christ is*, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things on the earth." (Col. 3:1b, 2)