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God's law is not simply a long list of dos and don'ts preventing us from living free. Rather, it is a beautiful expression of God's loving grace, freeing us from the bonds of sin. The Ten Commandments begin with God's deliverance of His people. It is the call to hope and freedom to live by His loving, life principles. (*Selected*)

John 3:16 (KJV) — 16 For God so loved the world,  
that he gave his only begotten Son, that  
whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but  
have everlasting life.

Romans 8:32 (KJV) — 32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

1 John 4:19 (KJV) — 19 We love him, because he  
first loved us.

Love begets love, affection begets affection.  
(*Testimonies for the Church*, vol. 2, p. 94.1)

Luke 2:52 (KJV) — 52 And Jesus  
increased in wisdom and stature, and in  
favour with God and man.

John 8:29 (KJV) — 29 And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do  
always those things that please him.



Romans 15:3 (KJV) — 3 For even Christ pleased not himself; but, as it is written, The reproaches of them that reproached thee fell on me.

Matthew 3:17 (KJV) — 17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Isaiah 42:1 (KJV) — 1 Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.

Psalm 40:8 (KJV) — 8 I delight to do thy will, O my  
God: yea, thy law is within my heart.

Colossians 1:9–10 (KJV) — 9 For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; 10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

Jeremiah 29:11 (KJV) — 11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

[. . . To give you a future and hope.]

Romans 8:7–8 (KJV) — 7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. 8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

Colossians 3:20 (KJV) — 20 Children, obey  
your parents in all things: for this is well  
pleasing unto the Lord.



Romans 14:17–18 (KJV) — 17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. 18 For he that in these things serveth Christ is **acceptable** (εὐάρεστος — *euarestos*) to God, and approved of men.

2 Corinthians 5:9 (KJV) — 9 Wherefore we labour,  
that, whether present or absent, we may be  
accepted of him.

2 Timothy 2:15 (KJV) — 15 Study (σπουδάζω — *spoudazō*) to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

2 Peter 1:10 (KJV) — 10 Wherefore the rather,  
brethren, give diligence to make your calling  
and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye  
shall never fall:

Psalm 147:11 (KJV) — 11 The LORD taketh  
pleasure in them that fear him, in those that  
hope in his mercy.

Ephesians 2:8–10 (KJV) — 8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Hebrews 13:20–21 (KJV) — 20 Now the God of peace,  
that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that  
great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the  
everlasting covenant, 21 Make you perfect in every  
good work to do his will, working in you that which is  
wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom  
be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Jeremiah 6:20 (KJV) — 20 To what purpose cometh there to me incense from Sheba, and the sweet cane from a far country? your burnt offerings are not acceptable, nor your sacrifices sweet unto me.



Isaiah 1:14 (KJV) — 14 Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them.

Galatians 1:10 (KJV) — 10 For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

John 15:5 (KJV) — 5 I am the vine, ye are the  
branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the  
same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can  
do nothing.

1 Thessalonians 2:4 (KJV) — 4 But as we were allowed of God to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but [pleasing] God, which trieth our hearts.

John 12:42–43 (KJV) — 42 Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: 43 For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.

1 Timothy 2:1–5 (KJV) — 1 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; 2 For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; 4 Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

1 Timothy 5:4 (KJV) — 4 But if any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to shew piety at home, and to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God.

Hebrews 13:16 (KJV) — 16 But to do good and to  
communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices  
God is well pleased.



1 John 3:22 (KJV) — 22 And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

John 14:15 (KJV) — 15 If ye love me, keep  
my commandments.

Ephesians 5:2 (KJV) — 2 And walk [do] in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

2 Corinthians 9:6–7 (KJV) — 6 But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. 7 Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

Hebrews 11:4–6 (KJV) — 4 By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh. 5 By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God. 6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Ephesians 5:10 (KJV) — 10 Proving what is  
acceptable [εὐάρεστος ] unto the Lord.

and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. (ESV)

trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. (NASB)



