The Law That Led Us to Christ

I. <u>Introduction</u>

"But before faith came, we were kept in custody under the law, being shut up to the faith which was later to be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the Law has become our tutor to lead us to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a [a] tutor. ²⁶ For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus." – **Galatians 3:23-26 (NASB)**

II.	Setting	the	Stage

	
	a. Throughout the Torah (Pentateuch/first 5 books of Bible), there are613 commandments given to the people of God
	i. Covering all aspects of faith and conduct ranging from the:
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	2. Instructions for
	3. Military, Judicial, and Hospitality-related
	b. Every law handed down by God has a PURPOSE and a
III.	Purpose for the Law in Israel
	a. Israel was to be the of the of God on the earth
	b. Israel was to be from the other nations
	c. Israel was to be a people to the unbelievers
IV.	Christ Rings in the New Covenant
	<u>a.</u> Because of Jesus, we are not under the Law of Christ, which is the of
	i. The Christian is to love God by:
	1. Displaying in Him
	a. A continuing faith

<u>2. </u>	God
<u>3. </u>	His commandments
	a. Jewish leaders made it burdensome (Matt. 23:4)
	b. Jesus said God makes life joyful (Matt. 11:30)
	c John 14:15

V. <u>Conclusion</u>

- <u>a.</u> The Church is expected to obey the _____
- **b.** We must focus on Loving the Lord with our whole selves and loving those around us properly
 - i. Mark 12:29-31
- c. Remember that nothing has meaning except that which comes from God

Answer Key:

II. Setting the Stage

- 1. TEN COMMANDMENTS
- 2. Instructions for **SACRIFICES**
- 3. Military, Judicial, and Hospitality-related **REGULATIONS**
- b. Every law handed down by God has a PURPOSE and a **MORAL UNDERPINNING**

III. Purpose for the Law in Israel

- a. Israel was to be the **KEEPER** of the **ORACLES** of God on the earth
- b. Israel was to be **DIFFERENT** from the other nations
- c. Israel was to be a **PECULIAR** people to the unbelievers

IV. Christ Rings in the New Covenant

- a. Because of Jesus, we are not under the Law of Christ, which is the **LAW** of **LOVE**
 - i.Christian is to love God by:
 - 1. Displaying **FAITH** in Him
 - a. A continuing faith
 - **2. LOVING** God
 - 3. KEEP His commandments
 - **a.** Jewish leaders made it burdensome (Matt. 23:4)
 - **b.** Jesus said God makes life joyful (Matt. 11:30)
 - **c.** John 14:15

V. Conclusion

The Church is expected to obey the **MORAL LAW**