Why Then the Law!

GALATIANS 3:19-29

The New Testament

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Romans

1 & Il Corinthians

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Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

1 & II Thessalonians

1 & Il Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrews

James

1 & II Peter

I, II, & III John

Jude

Revelation

- I. One reason God gave the Jewish law was because of <u>sin</u>.
 - A.While the law was never meant to stop sin completely, it did <u>reveal</u> our transgressions.
 - B.The law also revealed our need for grace.

- II. Another purpose of the law was to act as a guardian.
 - A. Like a parent, a guardian is in a <u>protective</u> role.
 - B. But the law was a <u>temporary</u> guardian.

- III. The law helped to reveal and to train our hearts.
 - A. The thing that matters is not just keeping the law. It's not about technicalities; it's about your intentions.
 - B. It's also not about obeying the laws for your own <u>glory</u>.

"Now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian."

- 1. We don't need a guardian anymore because child and parent have been reunited.
- 2. As we live into our new identity as children of God, we start to see heart <u>changes</u>.
- 3. Through this new identity in Christ also comes <u>unity</u> in the church body.

