



The Art of True Power

(Walking in the Love and Peace of God)

Walking in True Power...

- *But Jesus called them to Himself and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them. **Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant.** And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave— just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”*
– Matthew 20:25 - 28 (NKJV)

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THE PEACE
THAT IS
OURS:

*Understanding
the Peace that
has been made
frees us from the
deep seeded
anxiety in the
human spirit
about how to
appease our
'gods'...*

A new system...

- The former regulation is set aside because it was weak and useless (for the law made nothing perfect), and a better hope is introduced, by which we draw near to God.
 - Hebrews 7:18-19 (NIV)



Was the Blood Needed?

- Psalm 50:7-15 → *The blood is unneeded?*
- Micah 2 → *It's not what pleases God?*
- Hebrews 10:1-4 → *It's impossible for the blood of goats and bulls to actually do anything...?*

Unneeded Blood: Hebrews 9: 11-28

- When Christ came as high priest of the good things that are already here, he went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not man-made, that is to say, not a part of this creation. **He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, having obtained eternal redemption.** The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. **How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!** For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance—now that he has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant.
- ...the same way, he sprinkled with the blood both the tabernacle and everything used in its ceremonies. In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.
 - Hebrews 9:11-15;25-28 (NIV)

The Law:

- Romans 2:12-13;31 → We are all under one system, and still should obey the law.
- Romans 6:14 → We are under grace, not the law...
- Romans 8:2 → Christ has freed us from the law of sin and death...
- Romans 10:4 → Chris put an end to the law.
- Romans 13:8-10 → Fulfill the law by acting in love...
- Galatians 3:10 → Cursed by the law ***
- Galatians 3:23 → we were once slaves to the law...
- James 1:24-27 → Be doers of the law, not hearers only.

Ambassador's of peace:

- “Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to **offer your bodies as living sacrifices**, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind...”
(*Romans 12:1-2; NIV*)
- “**Carry each other's burdens**, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.” (*Galatians 6:2; NIV*)
- “So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view... Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and **gave us the ministry of reconciliation**: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them... **We are therefore Christ's ambassadors**, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.” (*2 Corinthians 5:16-21; NIV*)