



WHEN THE LAW MEET GRACE

- JOHN 1:14 -17;
EPH 2:8-9;
- JAMES 2:10;
- JOHN 8:1-7



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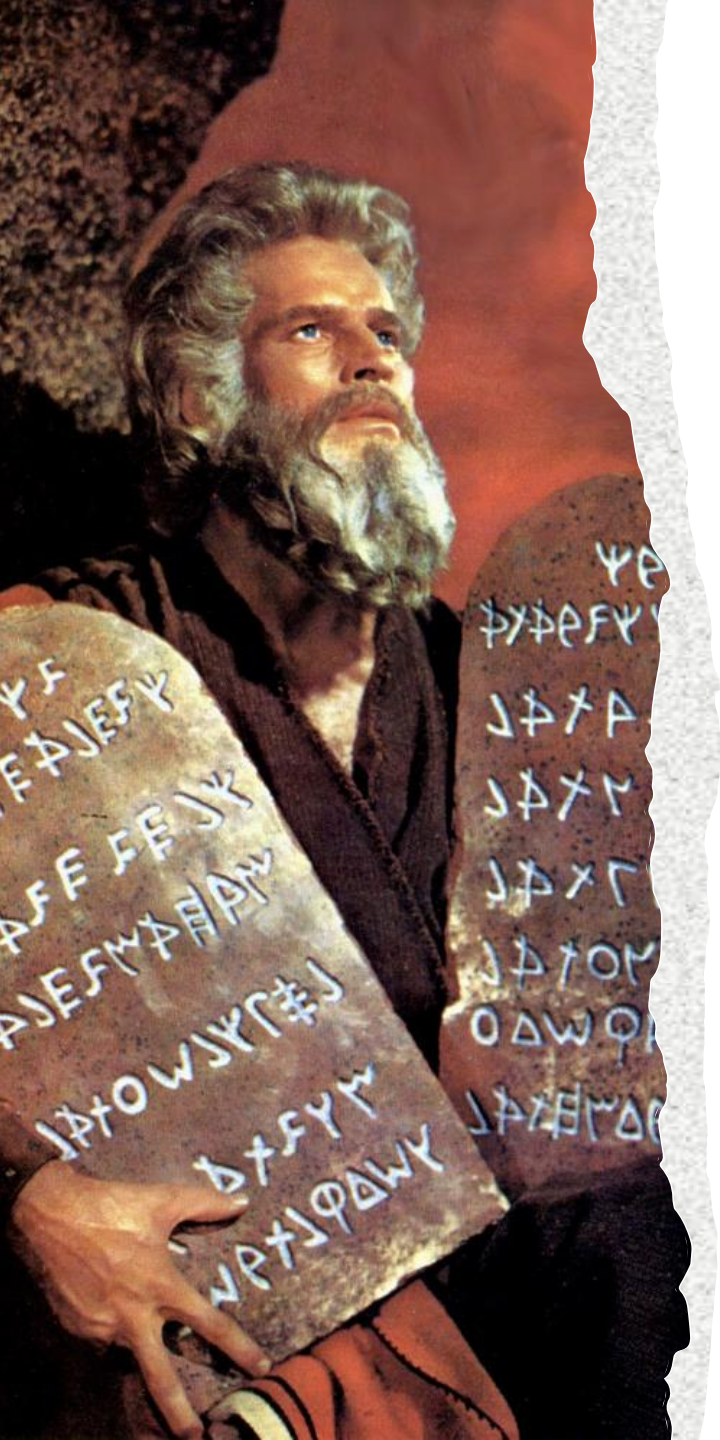


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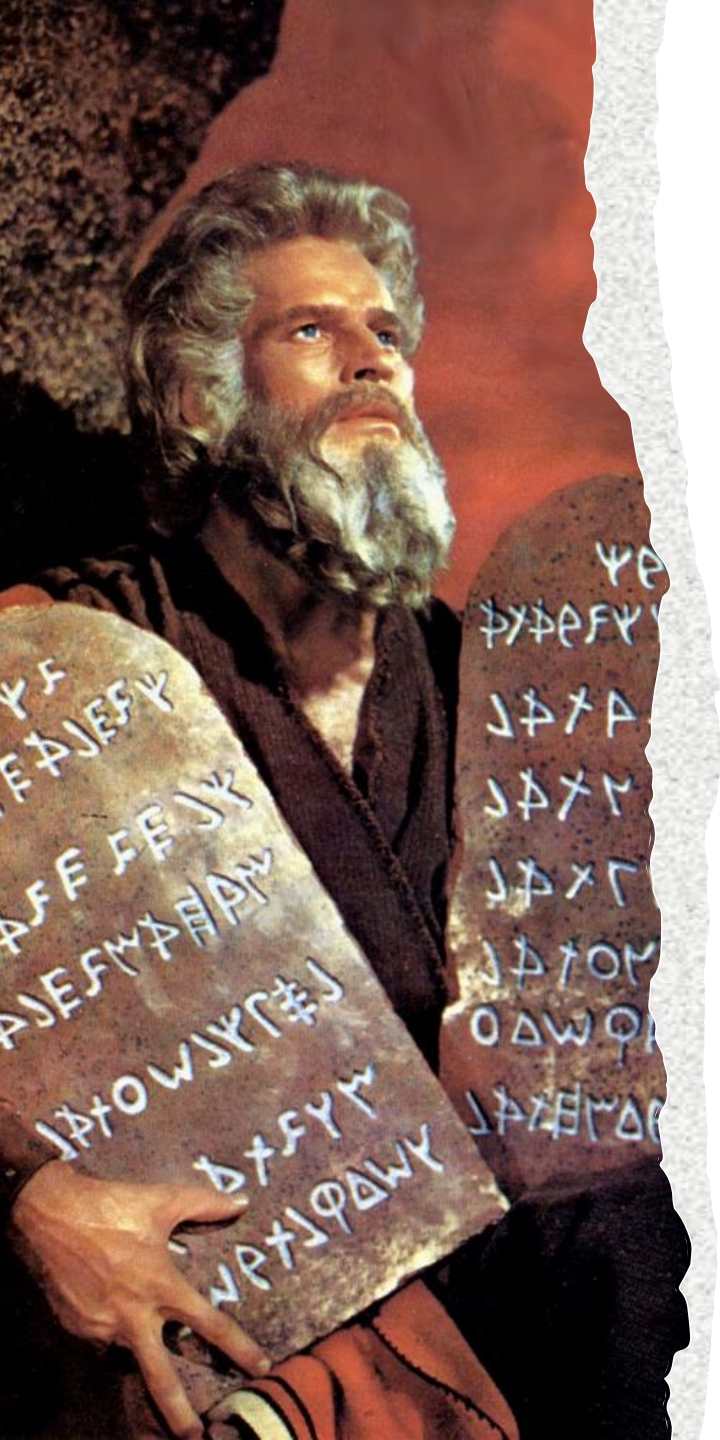


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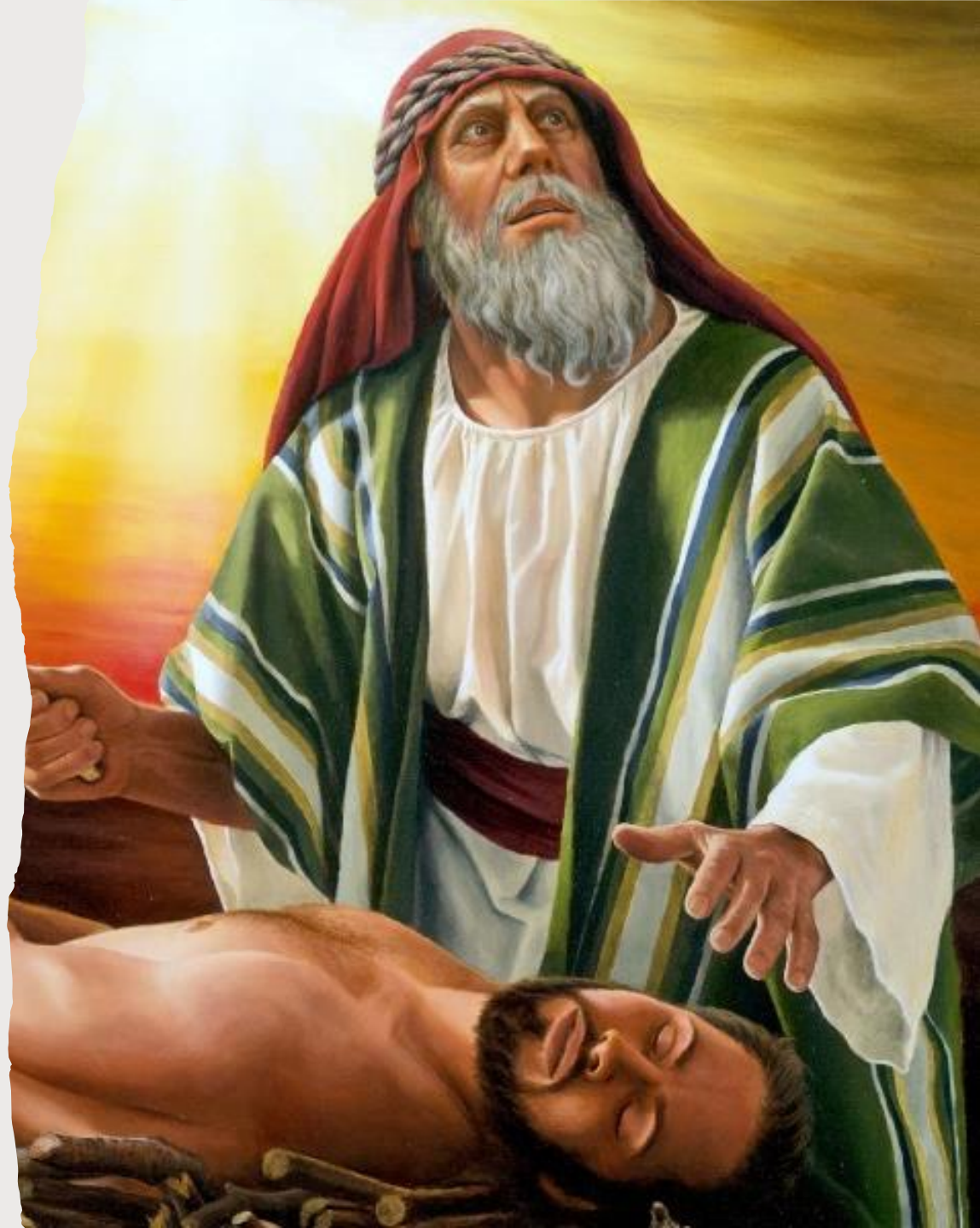
**Four beliefs
that form the
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FOUR BELIEFS OF JEWS

1.

Abraham as
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2.

**Moses as the
giver of the law**



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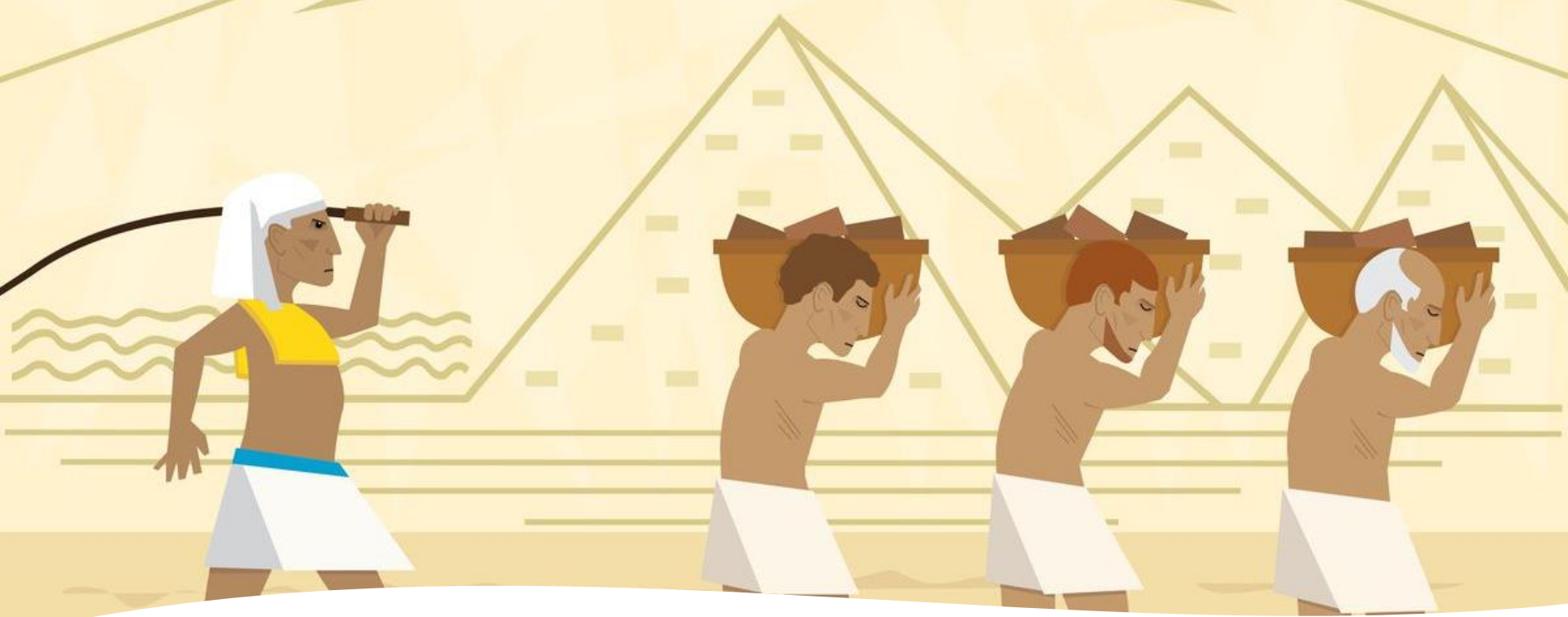
**3.
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FOUR BELIEFS OF JEWS

4.

**The temple as
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of worship
guided by laws**








The Hebrews had worked under laws for 430 years in Egypt and could not live without laws.

Hence the need for laws to regulate them- Gal 3:23-27



 The law prescribed the terms and conditions of the old covenant

 The law provides an avenue to strive for perfection and acceptance

 The law engraved on stones of tablets to show its condition



The O.T. Laws were divided into 3:



Moral Laws



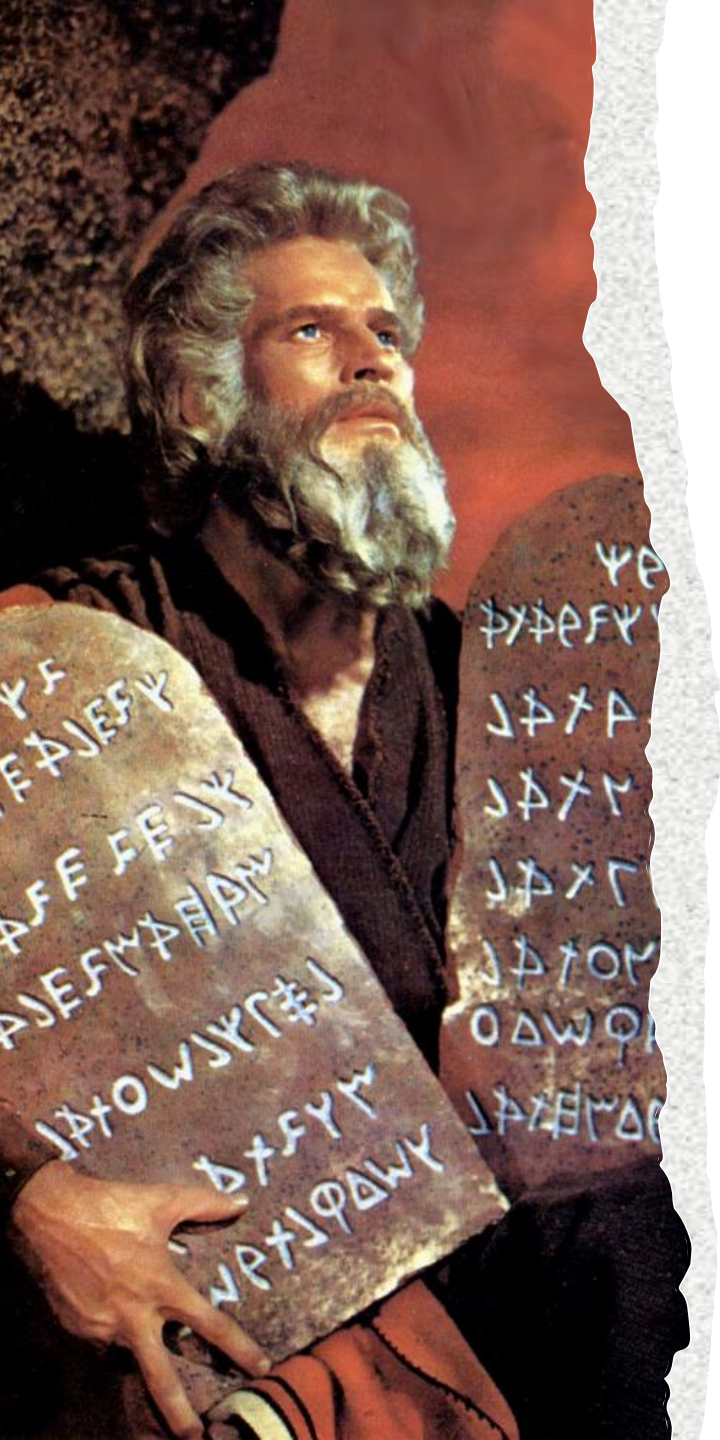
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MORAL LAW



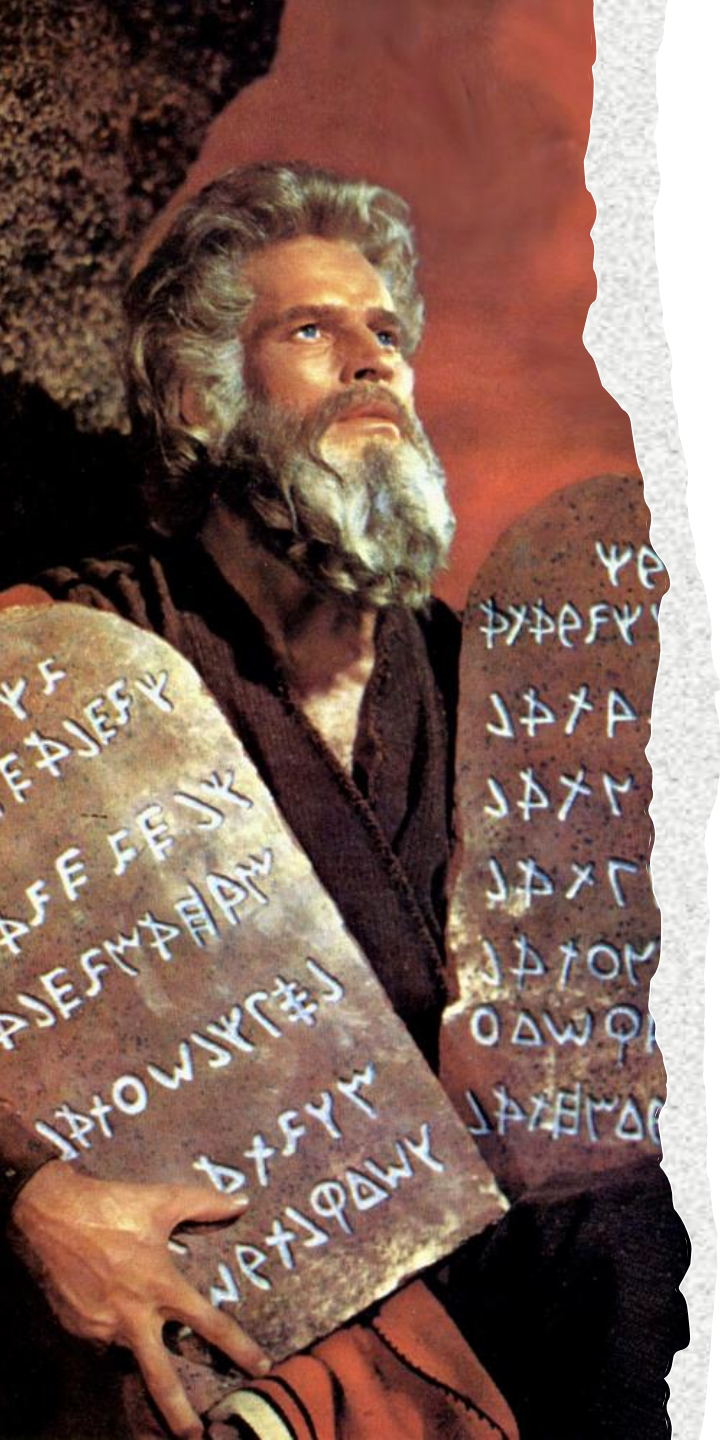
The Moral Reveal the holy nature and will of God

God's prescribed lifestyle for humanity and guidance for living

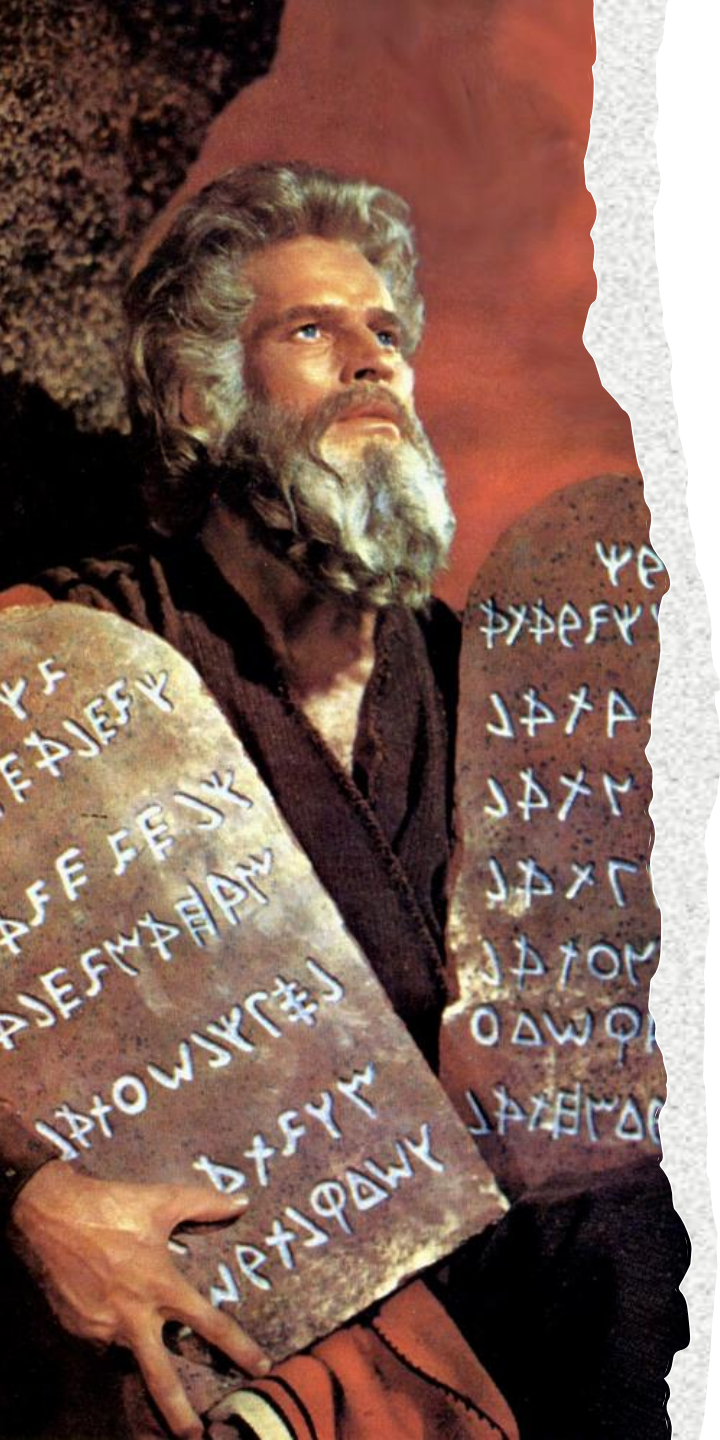
The consequences for failure to obey the laws
- Still relevant Mat 22:36

CIVIL LAW

Deut 24:10-11, 5-22



- This law dictates Israel's daily living and how they should live as neighbours
- The principles behind the commands are to guide their daily conduct and care for one another.
- Still relevant Mat 22:39



CEREMONIAL LAWS:

Lev 1:1-13

- This relates to Israel's mode of worship, sacrifices, feast, rituals, cleanliness, Sabbaths and Passover.
- These laws pointed forward to Jesus Christ and were no longer necessary after Jesus' death and resurrection.
- Heb 4:14-16; Heb 8:5-9

STRUCTURE OF THE JEWISH LAWS

Jewish 613 MITZVOT

- 365 thou shall and 248 thou shall not
- With additional 427 derivations expanded to 1040
- Under 34 themes
- 10 laws about the existence of God (Ex 20:2, Deut. 6:13)
- 6 laws about the Torah



21 Laws relate to marriage divorce and family life (Deut 23:2-4; Deut 23:18)

24 laws forbid sexual relations with father, mother, father's wife, mothers' husband, sister

35 laws on times and seasons, keep the Sabbath, do not work on the Sabbath, rest

26 laws on food (Lev11:2-11; Lev 22:28)



- **23 laws about business practice (Lev 25:14-20; Deut 24:17)**
- **22 laws on employees, servants and slaves (Lev 19:13; Deut 23:25-26)**
- **16 Laws on sabbath and Jubilees**
- **35 Laws on court procedures**



- **24 Laws on punishment and restitution**
- **45 Laws on Idolatry and its practices**
- **39 Laws on Levites and priesthood**
- **117 Laws on tithes and offerings**
- **22 laws on the temple, 26 laws on ritual impurity**





From Hebrew, Grace is derived from '*chen*'



It means “gracious, to favor, to be favorably inclined, to pity, to be compassionate, to make acceptable



It can also mean “to bend or stoop in kindness to an inferior,



to be moved to favor by a petition or request



- In Greek, Grace comes from the Greek word “Charis” from another Greek word “Chario” meaning to be cheerful, divine influence upon man, acceptable, benefit, gift, joy, pleasure
- Grace was manifested through Christ **John 1:16-17.**
- Grace wipes away sin and remembers no more
- Grace gives you what you don't deserve

GRACE



Grace is the foundation of the forgiveness of our sins and our eternal hope



By grace, we have redemption through his blood



We inherit a benefits package out of this world that can be applied in this world



It is by grace we are who we are- 1 Cor 3:10



**By. Grace, we are who we are 1
Cor 3:10**

**By grace we survive plots of the
devil Lamentations 2:23**

**God grants us daily strength by
grace- 2 Tim 2:1**

**The grace of God would always
be sufficient for us (2 Cor 2:9)**

**We receive grace to help in time
of need- Heb 4:16**



- The law of God is the standard, and the grace of God is the means to attain it
- The law of God is the spiritual measuring rod that evaluates lives; Grace is the nurturing process that produces spiritual life
- The law of God tells us the character of God, the grace of god produces the character of God in us

- The law of God is "the what"... the grace of God is "the how".
- So, the law identifies a problem, but grace solves it.
- The law of God reveals sin, and the grace of God forgives sin





- **Thus the law demands holiness, but grace gives holiness and imputes righteousness**
- **The law of God is the effect God wants to see,... the grace of god is the cause that brings forth the effect**
- **The law was written on stones but grace was written on human hearts. It is unstoppable in executing its effect**
- **The Law demands holiness, BUT Grace imputes holiness.**

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE LAW AND GRACE



- The Law says -- The wages of sin is death.
- But Grace says -- The gift of God is eternal life.
- The Law declares that as many as have sinned in the Law shall be judged by the Law.
- Grace brings eternal peace to the troubled soul of every child of God,

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- The Law says -- The soul that sinneth, it shall die.
- Grace says -- Whosoever believeth in Jesus, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Him shall never die.
- The Law says -- Cursed is everyone that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE LAW AND GRACE

- Grace says -- Blessed is the man whose iniquities are forgiven, whose sin is covered; blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute iniquity.
- Grace makes a man a member of the new creation, the New Covenant
- The law is a “shadow” ... It can't be touched but grace is the “reality” ... The effect can be felt



The *Letter* Kills
But The *Spirit* Gives Life

**THE LAW
KILLS...
2 COR
3:1-7**

- The law could not be bent or erased. It was unpardonable.
- The law is $613 + 427 = 1040$ but grace is 2.
- The law requires yearly atonement but grace has paid for once all our sin.
- The law was temporal but grace is permanent... 2 Cor 3:11



Contrasting the Legal demand of the Law and Grace

- Numbers 15:32-35
- Num 21:4-9
- John 8:1-11
- Lev 20:10 or Deut 22:22

Christ and the law

- He came to end the Law-
Rom 10:4; Heb 9:11-16
- Col 2:16-18; 20-23
- He came to fulfil the Law-
Mat 5:17
- He came to clarify the
Law- Luke 10:25-36; John
8:1-11





WHEN THE LAW MEETS GRACE

- We are liberated and free from bondage
- We find mercy and favour
- We have the opportunity for a second chance
- We have hope of justification by faith
- We have life, not condemnation, righteousness is imputed

GRACE LIFE

**A LIFE OF
GRACE.
2 COR 3**

- Through grace in the Lord we have freedom
- Through grace, we are being transformed
- Through grace, we behold the glory of the Father
- Through Christ, we receive grace, impact grace and become gracious.

**AND SO, WHAT?
(ROM 6:1-2; 2 COR 3:16-18)**

#1. We should not abuse the freedom we have through grace...Rom 6:1

#2. We must not take the grace of God for granted... Rom 6:15

#3. We must allow ourselves to be transformed into the image of Christ 2 Cor 3:17



grow in
grace

2 Peter 3:

AND SO, WHAT? (2 COR 3:16-18)

#4. We must keep Christ in focus in everything we do- 2 Cor 3:18

#5. We must work on our salvation with fear and trembling. Phil 2:13-14



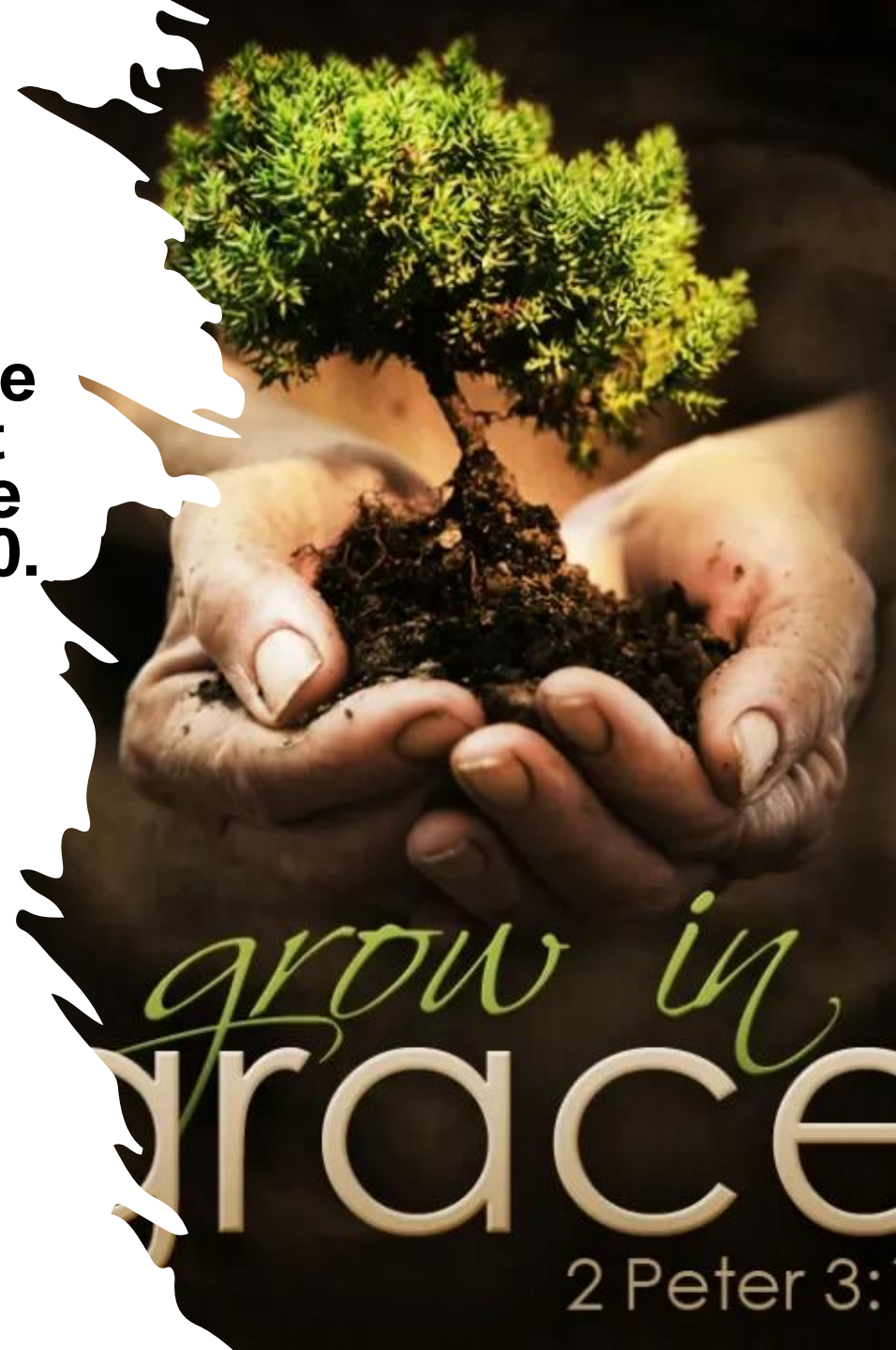
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#6. Look the mirror of grace through the law. For Christ did not come to abolish the law but fulfill it. Mat 5:17-20.

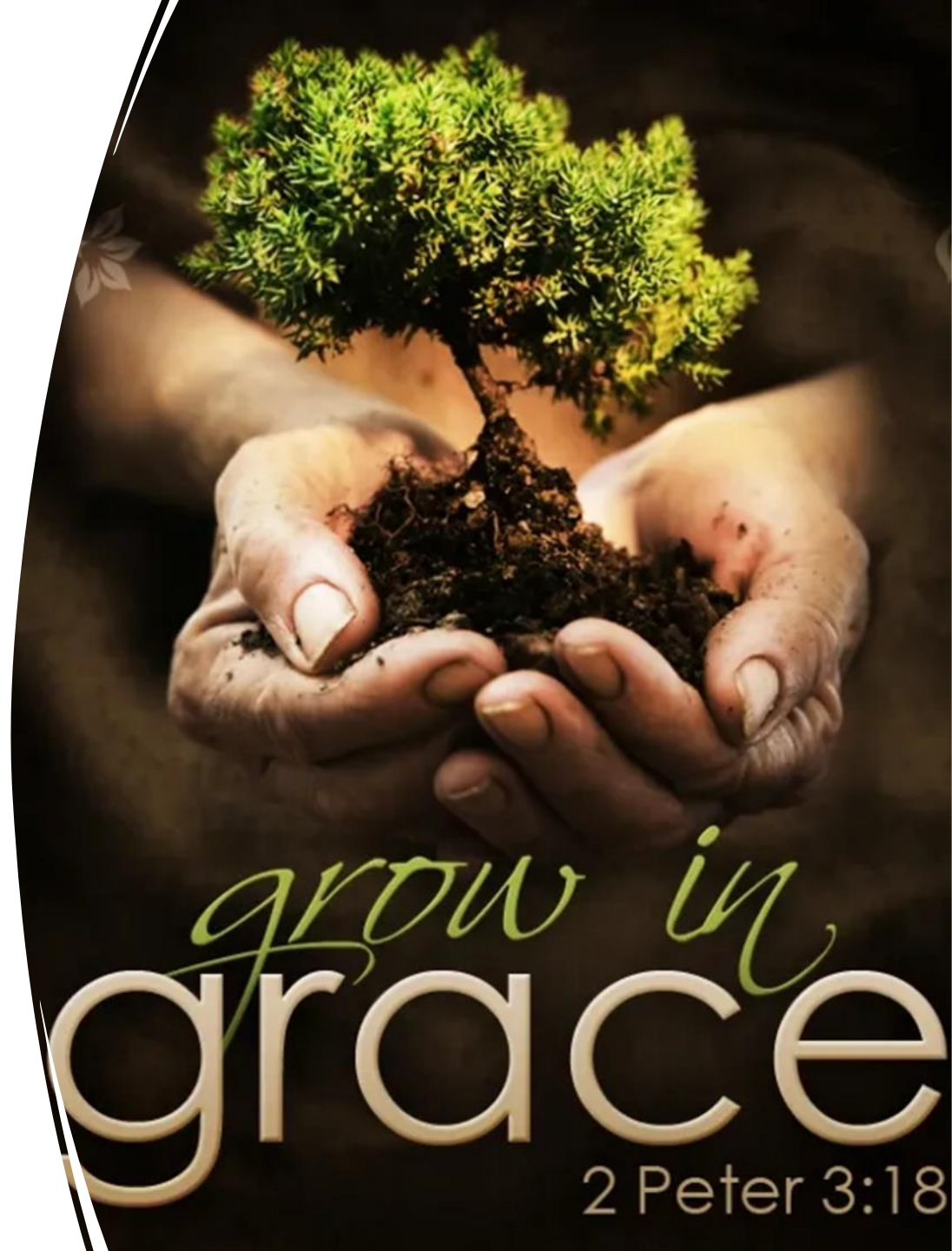
#7. We must impact grace and become gracious, for we receive grace. Ti 2:11



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2 Peter 3:

**GOD
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YOU**



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2 Peter 3:18