

1. THE LAW OF MOSES

[Who wrote \(dictated\) the law of Moses? So is it really Moses' law or Christ's law? Did Christ do away with the very law he dictated?](#)

If the Israelites had obeyed God's requirements, they would have been practical Christians. They would have been happy, for they would have been keeping God's ways and not following the inclinations of their own natural hearts. **Moses** did not leave them to misconstrue the words of the Lord or to misapply His requirements. He **wrote all the words** of the Lord in a book, that they might be referred to afterward. In the mount he had written them **as Christ Himself dictated them**. {Ms126-1901.55}

WORDS
DICTATED

[When was this law first given?](#)

Adam and Eve at their creation had knowledge of the original law of God. It was imprinted upon their hearts, and they were acquainted with the claims of law upon them. {RH April 29, 1875, par. 4}

[What was preserved from Adam and handed down to Moses? What other titles are used that refer to the law?](#)

The knowledge of the law of God was preserved from Adam to Noah, and from Noah to Abraham and from Abraham to Moses, for the benefit of all who should live upon the earth. The blessings upon the patriarch Abraham for obedience are repeated to Isaac in these words: "And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because that Abraham **obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes** [**statutes**], and **my laws**." {RH April 29, 1875, par. 6}

STATUTES PRESERVED

[Why were the additional precepts \(statutes\) given illustrating the precepts of the 10 Commandments? Notice these were privately given to Moses \(unlike the 10 commandments\) and are to "simplify" the 10 Commandments.](#)

The minds of the people, blinded and debased by slavery, were not prepared to appreciate fully the far-reaching principles of God's ten precepts. That the obligations of the decalogue might be more fully understood and enforced, additional precepts were given, illustrating and applying the precepts of the ten commandments. Unlike the decalogue, these were delivered privately to Moses, who was to communicate them to the people. {FE 506.8}

[Does God change that which has proceeded out of his mouth? Would God ever nail to the cross that which has gone out of his lips?](#)

Ps 89:34 [My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.](#)

Deut 8:3 ... man doth not live by bread only, but [by every \[word\] that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD](#) doth man live.

Moses **wrote** these **judgments** and **statutes** [from the mouth of God](#) while he was with him in the mount. **If the people of God had obeyed the principles of the ten commandments, there would have been no need of the specific directions given to Moses, which he wrote in a book,** relative to their duty to God and to one another. The **definite directions** which the Lord gave to Moses in regard to the duty of his people to one another, and to the stranger, **are the principles of the ten commandments simplified and given in a definite manner, that they need not err.** {1SP 265.1} {3SG 299.3}

CHANGES
NOT

SINCE THE
BEGINNING

What was the purpose/ design of the **statutes** and what did they concern? How much do we need them today? Ans. We need it more.

PURPOSE

The **statutes** concerning marriage, inheritance, and strict justice in dealing with one another, were peculiar and contrary to the customs and manners of other nations, and were designed of God to keep his people separate from other nations. The necessity of this to preserve the people of God from becoming like the nations who had not the love and fear of God, is the same in this corrupt age, when the transgression of God's law prevails and idolatry exists to a fearful extent. If ancient Israel needed such security, **we need it more, to keep us from being utterly confounded with the transgressors of God's law.** The hearts of men are so prone to depart from God that there is a necessity for restraint and discipline. {RH May 6, 1875, par. 6}

What type of instructions were given to Moses to write? Ans. Minute instructions which were ONLY the principles of the Ten Commandments amplified. What were these principles (judgments/ laws/ statutes) given to Moses to guard the sacredness of? Ans. The ten precepts engraved on the tables of stone.

TEN COMMANDMENTS ARE BRIEF AND NOT DETAILED. THE STATUTES GIVEN TO MOSES GIVE THE MINUTE DETAILS

Moses was commanded **to write**, as God should bid him, **judgments** and **laws** giving **minute instruction** as to what was required. **These directions** relating to the duty of the people to God, to one another, and to the stranger were **only** the **principles** of the **Ten Commandments** **amplified** and **given in a specific manner, that none need err.** **They** were designed to guard the sacredness of **the ten precepts** engraved on the tables of stone. {PP 364.1}

AMPLIFY, v.t. [L. *amplifico*; of *amplus* and *facio*, to make large.] 1. To enlarge; to augment; to increase or extend, in a general sense; applied to material or immaterial things. 2. In rhetoric, to enlarge in discussion or by representation; to treat copiously, so as **to present the subject in every view and in the strongest lights.**

Ten precepts, **brief**, comprehensive, and authoritative, cover the duty of man to God and his fellow man; and all based upon the great fundamental principle of love. {PP 305.2}

MINUTE INSTRUCTION/DIRECTIONS TO AMPLIFY TEN COMMANDMENTS

What were these religious precepts (statutes) given to Moses at Mt. Sinai by Christ, to govern? Ans. Everyday life. Were these statutes shadowy types to pass away with the death of Christ? Ans. No. What were these religious precepts (statutes) to guard? Ans. The Ten Commandments. How long were these statutes to be binding? Ans. In every age as long as time should last. The commands, statutes, precepts were enforced by the power of what law and what law did they CLEARLY explain? Ans. The moral/ 10 commandments.

In consequence of continual transgression, the **moral law** was repeated in awful grandeur from Sinai. Christ gave to Moses **religious precepts** which were to govern the everyday life. **These statutes** were explicitly given to guard the ten commandments. **They were not shadowy types to pass away with the death of Christ. They were to be binding upon man in every age as long as time should last. These commands** were enforced by the power of the moral law, and **they** clearly and definitely **explained that law.** {RH May 6, 1875, par. 10}

STATUTES TO GUARD TEN COMMANDMENTS

Ps 51:1, 9 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies **blot out my transgressions.**
Hide thy face from my sins, and **blot out all mine iniquities.**

Since these precepts/ statutes are to be binding in every age as long as time should last, maintaining its claims upon mankind in all ages, what was **ADDED** to GUARD the ten precepts? Ans. The RITUAL system (sacrifices).

SACRIFICES ADDED TO GUARD TEN COMMANDMENTS

The **law** of **ten precepts**, spoken from Mount Sinai, Christ himself declares that **he came not to destroy.** This testimony should forever settle the question. The **law of God** is as immutable as the throne of Jehovah. **It will maintain its claims upon all mankind in all ages, unchanged**

by time or place or circumstances. The **ritual system** was of an altogether different character, **added** to guard the **ten precepts** of the Eternal. {RH September 27, 1881, par. 4} **Christ declares, that he came not to destroy the law, but to fulfill**,—"to magnify the **law** and make it honorable," as Isaiah, hundreds of years before, had prophesied would be the Messiah's work. {RH September 27, 1881, par. 5}

What mistake do many do regarding these two (2 economies) different systems?

**PERVERSION OF SCRIPTURES:
COL 2:14**

There are many who try to blend these two systems, using the texts that speak of the **ceremonial law** to prove that the **moral law** has been abolished; but **this is a perversion of the Scriptures**. The distinction between the **two systems** is broad and clear. The **ceremonial system** was made up of **symbols** pointing to Christ, to His **sacrifice** and His **priesthood**. This **ritual law**, with its **sacrifices** and **ordinances**, was to be performed by the Hebrews until type met antitype in the death of Christ, the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. Then all the **sacrificial offerings** were to cease. **It is this law** that Christ "took ... out of the way, nailing it to His cross." **Colossians 2:14**. **But concerning the law of Ten Commandments the psalmist declares, "Forever, O Lord, Thy word is settled in heaven."** Psalm 119:89. And Christ Himself says, "**Think not that I am come to destroy the law.... Verily I say unto you**"—making the assertion as emphatic as possible—"Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled." Matthew 5:17, 18. Here He teaches, not merely what the claims of God's law had been, and were then, but that these claims should hold as long as the heavens and the earth remain. **The law of God is as immutable as His throne. It will maintain its claims upon mankind in all ages.** {PP 365.1}

TWO SYSTEMS / ECONOMIES

**MORAL LAW OF TEN COMMANDMENTS
INCLUDES MORAL STATUTES; BUT NO LONGER
INCLUDES RITUAL LAW STATUTES**

Since these precepts/ statutes are to be binding in every age as long as time should last, this is why Sister White makes the following statements:

The instructions given to Moses for ancient Israel, with their sharp, rigid outlines, are to be studied and obeyed by the people of God today. (Letter 259, 1903). {1BC 1103.4}

In these **last days** there is **a call from Heaven** inviting you to keep the **statutes and ordinances** of the Lord. God will not be left without a witness to his righteousness, or without a people in the earth to proclaim his truth. **FOR US TODAY!** The world has set at naught the law of Jehovah; but {ST February 3, 1888, par. 5}

The **gospel is given in precept in Leviticus**. **Implicit obedience is required now**, as then. How **essential** it is that we understand the importance of this word! 6T p. 392.2

Why does Malachi (4:4) admonish us to "Remember"? Ans. Because we have forgotten the statutes and judgments!

REMEMBER!

MALACHI

The closing words of **Malachi** are a **prophecy** regarding the work that should be done **preparatory to** the first and **the second advent of Christ**. This prophecy is introduced with the **admonition**, "**Remember ye the law of Moses** my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the **statutes and judgments**." {SW March 21, 1905, par. 1}

Not only Malachi, but Sister White also reminds us that we have forgotten the book of the law:

SISTER WHITE

Brethren, **have any of you lost the book of the law?** Have not **many of us lost sight of the precepts** that are in the holy Book? General Conference Bulletin April 1, 1903, Ellen White Admonishes the General Conference Men.

Since the prophecy of Malachi is to prepare us for the second advent of Christ, what event is to transpire through those who are walking in His statutes & judgments? Ans. Loud Cry through descent of the Holy Spirit.

BLIND LAODICEA
TO SEE HIS
STATUTES

During the loud cry...the light of present truth will be seen flashing everywhere....the Word declares....'I will put **My Spirit** within you, and **cause you to walk in My statutes**.' This is the descent of the Holy Spirit, sent from God to do its office work... As men, women, and children proclaim the gospel, the Lord will open the eyes of the blind to see His statutes, and will write upon the hearts of the truly penitent **His law**." Ellen White, The Review & Herald, "The Closing Work." October 13, 1904

Ezekiel 36:26-27 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put **my spirit** within you, and **cause you to walk in my statutes**, and **ye shall keep my judgments**, and do them.

Does Christ desire to "do away" with the laws/ statutes (institutions) given through Moses or does he call us back to "Remember"?

DIVINE
STATUTES
NOT DONE
AWAY WITH

The Saviour said nothing to unsettle faith in the **religion and institutions that had been given through Moses**; for every ray of divine light that Israel's great leader communicated to his people was received from Christ. While many are saying in their hearts that He has come to do away with the law, Jesus in unmistakable language reveals His attitude toward the divine statutes. "Think not. " He said. "that I am come to destroy the law. or the prophets." {MB 47.1}

Mal 4:4 **Remember ye the law of Moses** my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, [with] the **statutes** and **judgments**.

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What terrible mistake do Christians commit calling the statutes and requirements arbitrary and in opposition to the precepts which they call "the law of Moses"?

Moses of himself framed no law. Christ, the angel whom God had appointed to go before his chosen people, gave to Moses **statutes** and **requirements** necessary to a living religion and to govern the people of God. **in calling this law severe and with the gospel and mission of though he were in opposition to the of Moses**. {RH May 6, 1875, par. 12}

A
TERRIBLE
MISTAKE

Christians commit a terrible mistake arbitrary, and then contrasting it Christ in his ministry on earth, as just **precepts** which they call **the law**

What is the consequence of forgetting God's law? Notice the word, "forgotten": this is why Malachi calls us back to "Remember".

Hos 4:6-7 My people are destroyed for **lack of knowledge**: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast **forgotten the law of thy God**, I will also forget thy children. As they were increased, so they sinned against me: [therefore] will I change their glory into shame.

FORGOTTEN
LAW =
DESTRUCTION

Who is trying to tamper with God's statutes and judgments?

**DESTROYER
OF STATUTES**

Satan claimed to be able to present **laws** which were better than God's **statutes** and **judgments**, and he was expelled from heaven. **He has made a similar attempt upon earth.** (John 1:29). {1SM 316.2}

How long will these "sacred statutes" be honored? Ans. Eternity!

The **sacred statutes** which Satan has hated and sought to destroy, **will be honored throughout a sinless universe.**

bud, and as the garden causeth forth; so the Lord God will cause forth before all nations." Isaiah 61:11. {PP 342.2}

**KEEP STATUTES
FOR ETERNITY**

And "as the earth bringeth forth her the things that are sown in it to spring righteousness and praise to spring

Isaiah 66:23 And it shall come to pass, [that] **from one new moon to another**, and **from one sabbath to another**, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD.

See Leviticus 23: 14, 21, 31, 41: "shall be a **statue forever** throughout your generations"

Christ did not come to destroy the law, but to fulfill the sacrificial offerings. Only the laws of sacrificial offerings ("THIS" handwriting of ordinances") were **BLOTTED OUT** and nailed to HIS cross; **NOT ALL** the statues contained in the book which gives the minute instruction (details) of the ten commandments. **Handwriting of ordinances is the payment (Christ dying for our sins) for debt (Mankind's due penalty of death for sins).**

**HANDWRITING
OF
ORDINANCES
=
SACRIFICES
BLOTTED OUT**

"Think not," were the words of Christ, "that I have come to destroy the **law**, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil." Matthew 5:17. The **laws of sacrificial offerings** were typical and **were in force** until type should reach its antitype in the greater and wholly **perfect** sacrifice of Jesus Christ. **These sacrifices and services** of the temple **were to cease** with the perfect offering of Christ Himself as the Lamb without blemish; **these sacrifices** were abolished at the cross. **This handwriting of ordinances** **our Lord did blot out and take away and nail to His cross.** {Ms43-1887.1}

Isa 43:25 I, [even] I, [am] he that **blotteth out thy transgressions** for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins.

Since Christ changes not, then the law could not have been nailed to His cross as the law (including the Statutes written by Moses- the details of the 10 Commandments) is perpetual. Then what was blotted out and nailed to His cross? Ans. **The debt** for our sins! We are cleansed from all confessed sin during this anti-typical Day of Atonement in which we are now living since Christ had made a perpetual (never ending) provision on the cross of Calvary. And the Holy Oil (Holy Spirit) will be bestowed upon the penitent!

Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, **that your sins may be blotted out**, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

With earnest zeal and new hope they preached these truths, and urged their fellowmen to **seek an entrance by faith into the most holy place within the second vail, where our great High Priest is gone to blot out the sins** of all his faithful ones, **from Abel to the present time.**

Their faith was in an open door which no man can shut until the work therein is fully done. In the work of inviting sinners to come to this open door, they continue until the present time; and this will be their work until Jesus himself shall proclaim, "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still;" Revelation 22:11; that is, **until probation is closed and the ministry of the gospel is ended.** {4SP 499.4}

**SINS
BLOTTED
OUT**

With His own blood Jesus appears in the presence of God as an **Intercessor** for all who call upon His name. He is the **Advocate** in behalf of the guilty. His **blood cleanses from all sin** those who accept Him as their personal Saviour. The memorial of His sufferings and death upon **the cross**, **the penalty** due to the transgressor, **is efficacious** for all who believe that this **propitiation** in the presence of God is a **perpetual offering**. Christ claims that the **provision made** entitles Him to make the **assurance** to all who seek Him. For His sake the prayers of the penitent who come to Him acknowledging **Christ as their Saviour should be accepted as yea and amen, their sins blotted out**, and **the holy oil bestowed upon them**. {Lt76-1898.30}

**PROVISION
MADE FROM
PENALTY**

See **Exodus 32:30-33** where Moses pleads with God (to forgive sins) for people

1828 Webster's Dictionary

EFFICACIOUS [*efə'kāSHəs*] ADJECTIVE

1. (of something inanimate or abstract) successful in producing a desired or intended result; effective.

PROPITIATION, n. propisia'shon.

1. The act of appeasing wrath and conciliating the favor of an offended person; the act of making propitious.

2. In theology, **the atonement or atoning sacrifice offered to God to assuage his wrath and render him propitious to sinners. Christ is the propitiation for the sins of men. Romans 3:25; 1 John 2:2.**

Ps 51:1, 9 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies **blot out my transgressions**. Hide thy face from my sins, and **blot out all mine iniquities**.

51 (Mark 15:38; Luke 23:45; Ephesians 2:14, 15; Colossians 2:14; Hebrews 10:19, 20; See EGW on John 19:30). The Mercy Seat Opened to All—Christ was nailed to the cross between the third and sixth hour, that is, between nine and twelve o'clock. In the afternoon He died. This was the hour of **the evening sacrifice**. Then the veil of the temple, that which hid God's glory from the view of the congregation of Israel, was rent in twain from top to bottom. {5BC 1108.7} Through Christ the hidden glory of the holy of holies was to stand revealed. He had suffered death for every man, and by **this offering** the sons of men were to become the sons of God. With open face, beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, believers in Christ **were to be changed into the same image, from glory to glory**. The mercy seat, upon which the glory of God rested in the holiest of all, **is opened to all** who accept **Christ as the propitiation for sin**, and **through its medium**, they are brought into fellowship with God. **The veil is rent, the partition walls broken down**, the **handwriting of ordinances canceled**. By virtue of His **blood** the **enmity is abolished**. Through faith in Christ Jew and Gentile may partake of the living bread (**Letter 230, 1907**). {5BC 1109.1}

Enmity- a state of opposition

Col 2:13 And you, being dead in **your sins** and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, **having forgiven you all trespasses**;

(CLV) Col 2:13 you also being dead to the offenses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He vivifies us together ^{tg}jointly with Him, **dealing graciously with all our offenses**,

Col 2:14 **Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances** that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;

(CLV) Col 2:14 **erasing the handwriting of the decrees against us**, which was **hostile** to us, and has **taken it away out of the midst**, nailing it to the cross,

**PAUL
KEPT
LAW**

Interesting to note that the "Law of Moses" could not have been nailed to the cross since Paul taught from the "Law of Moses" after the cross:

Acts 28:23 And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into [his] lodging; **to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus**, both **out of the law of Moses**, and [out of] the prophets, from morning till evening. (See also Acts 13:39; 15:5; Rom 10:5; **1Cor 9:9**)

Some other interesting translations of Colossians 2:14:

ASV

having blotted out the bond written in ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us: and he hath taken it out of the way, nauling it to the cross;

AMP

having canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of legal demands [which were in force] against us and which were hostile to us. And this certificate He has set aside and completely removed by nauling it to the cross.

AMPC

Having cancelled *and* blotted out *and* wiped away the handwriting of the note (bond) with its legal decrees *and* demands which was in force *and* stood against us (hostile to us). This [note with its regulations, decrees, and demands] He set aside *and* cleared completely out of our way by nauling it to [His] cross.

CEV

➔ God wiped out the charges that were against us for disobeying the Law of Moses. He took them away and nailed them to the cross.

CSB

He erased the certificate of debt, with its obligations, that was against us and opposed to us, and has taken it away by nauling it to the cross.

CJB

He wiped away the bill of charges against us. Because of the regulations, it stood as a testimony against us; but he removed it by nauling it to the execution-stake.

DARBY

having effaced the handwriting in ordinances which [stood out] against us, which was contrary to us, he has taken it also out of the way, having nailed it to the cross;

ERV

➔ Because we broke God's laws, we owed a debt—a debt that listed all the rules we failed to follow. But God forgave us of that debt. He took it away and nailed it to the cross.

GW

He did this by erasing the charges that were brought against us by the written laws God had established. He took the charges away by nauling them to the cross.

LEB

having destroyed the certificate of indebtedness in ordinances against us, which was hostile to us, and removed it out of the way by nauling it to the cross.

MSG

Entering into this fullness is not something you figure out or achieve. It's not a matter of being circumcised or keeping a long list of laws. No, you're already *in*—insiders—not through some secretive initiation rite but rather through what Christ has already gone through for you. destroying the power of sin. If it's an initiation ritual you're after, you've already been through it by submitting to baptism. Going under the water was a burial of your old life; coming up out of it was a resurrection, God raising you from the dead as he did Christ. When you were stuck in your old sin-dead life, you were incapable of responding to God. God brought you alive—right along with Christ! Think of it! All sins forgiven, the slate wiped clean, that old arrest warrant canceled and nailed to Christ's cross. He stripped all the spiritual tyrants in the universe of their sham authority at the Cross and marched them naked through the streets.

PHILLIPS

In Christ, you were circumcised, not by any physical act, but by being set free from the sins of the flesh by virtue of Christ's circumcision. You, so to speak, shared in that, just as in baptism you shared in his death, and in him are sharing the miracle of rising again to new life—and all this because you have faith in the tremendous power of God, who raised Christ from the dead. You, who were spiritually dead because of your sins and your uncircumcision (i.e. the fact that you were outside the Law), God has now made to share in the very life of Christ! He has forgiven you all your sins: Christ has utterly wiped out the damning evidence of broken laws and commandments which always hung over our heads, and has completely annulled it by nailing it over his own head on the cross. And then having drawn the sting of all the powers ranged against us, he exposed them, shattered, empty and defeated, in his final glorious triumphant act!

TPT

He canceled out every legal violation we had on our record and the old arrest warrant that stood to indict us. He erased it all—our sins, our stained soul—he deleted it all *and they cannot be retrieved!* Everything we once were in Adam has been placed onto his cross and nailed permanently there as a public display of cancellation.

Visit <https://www.biblegateway.com/verse/en/Colossians%202:14> to see all 59 version translations

HANDWRITING OF
ORDINANCES = RECORD
OF DEBT & PENALTY
DUE THAT WAS NAILED
TO THE CROSS

Christ died (the curse) for our sins of which we deserve.

HE WAS TREATED AS WE DESERVE

Christ gave Himself, an atoning sacrifice, for the saving of a lost world. He was treated as we deserve, in order that we might be treated as He deserves. He was condemned for our sins, in which He had no share, that we might be justified by His righteousness, in which we had no share. He suffered the death which was ours, that we might receive the life which was His. "With His stripes we are healed." Isaiah 53:5. {8T 208.3}

Christ died to purchase salvation for us. He was raised for our justification, and He ever lives to make intercession for us. His life and death bring salvation to every believing child of God. By His death we are reconciled to God; by His life, as it is wrought out in our life, we shall be saved. We may be poor in temporal things, but we are rich in the treasure that endures forever. We have the deeds to an immortal inheritance, the title papers to a life that measures with the life of God. {ST, June 17, 1903 par. 12}

Jesus, Our 2520, Our Colossians 2:14 Lamb

E. W. Bullinger called 2520 the number of chronological perfection. It is the smallest number that can be evenly divided by all the numbers 1-10

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.**

John 12:32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all [men] unto me.

The mystery of the cross explains all other mysteries. {AG 186.6}

Jesus' earthly ministry was for 1 prophetic week of which he was cut off in the midst (3.5 days/ 1260 days) of the week (7 days or 2520 days):



When the loud cry, "It is finished," came from the lips of Christ, it was the hour of the evening sacrifice. The lamb representing Christ had been brought to be slain. The priest stood with lifted knife, the people looking on. But the earth trembled, for the Lord Himself drew near. With a rending noise the inner veil of the temple was torn from top to bottom by an unseen hand, throwing open to the gaze of the multitude a place once filled with the presence of God. The most holy place of the earthly sanctuary was no longer sacred. (HLv 505.2)
All was terror and confusion. The priest was about to slay the victim; but the knife dropped from his nerveless hand, and the lamb escaped. Type had met antitype. The great sacrifice had been made. A new and living way was prepared for all. Henceforth the Saviour was to officiate as priest and advocate in the heaven of heavens. "By His own blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us." Hebrews 9:12. {HLv 505.3}

During Jesus' ministry in person here on earth (27 AD to 31 AD = 3 ½ years), there were two lambs slain daily in the sanctuary services; one in the morning and one in the evening for 3 ½ years or 1260 days. If 2 lambs are sacrificed daily for 3 ½ years (1260 days) that comes out to 2520 lambs (2 lambs x 1260 = 2520). When Jesus hung on the cross, the evening sacrificial lamb of the sanctuary service got away, so this means they were one lamb short, having only 2519 lambs. Jesus replaced the lamb that escaped, being fitly represented as our 2520th lamb!

Gal 3:13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed [is] every one that hangeth on a tree: (see also verses 10-12)

BEING MADE A CURSE FOR US

None but Christ could redeem fallen man from the curse of the law and bring him again into harmony with Heaven. Christ would take upon Himself the guilt and shame of sin--sin so offensive to a holy God that it must separate the Father and His Son. Christ would reach to the depths of misery to rescue the ruined race. {PP 63.2} (See Luke 1:67-75; Ps 105:7-12)

Jesus was arraigned "7 times" before his crucifixion:

Oh, fearful scene! the Saviour seized at midnight in Gethsemane as a murderer, dragged to and fro from palace to judgment hall, arraigned **twice** before the priests, **twice** before the Sanhedrim, **twice** before Pilate, and **once** before Herod, mocked, scourged, and condemned, led out to be crucified, bearing the heavy burden of the cross amid the wailing of the daughters of Jerusalem and the jeering of the crowd! {3SP 185.1}

2 times before priests + 2 times before Sanhedrim + 2 times before Pilate + 1 time before Herod = 7 Times.

When Israel rebelled against God, the "Curse of Moses" (Daniel 9:11; Leviticus 26:28) came into effect. (The "curse" is "7 times." 7 x 360 days per year—2520 days/years of curse.) The "oath that is written" is the debt/ penalty – the curse – the **2520** – that was nailed to the cross. (See Neh 10:28, 29)

DANIEL
&
MOSES

Daniel 9:11

Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore **the curse** is poured upon us, and **the oath that [is] written in the law of Moses** the servant of God, because we have sinned against him.

"Curse written in the Law of Moses" of Lev. 26:

26:18 And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then I will **punish you seven times more** for your sins.

26:21 And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I will bring **seven times more plagues** upon you according to your sins.

26:23 And if ye will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary unto me;

26:24 Then will I also walk contrary unto you, and will **punish you** yet **seven times** for your sins.

26:28 Then I will walk contrary unto you also **in fury**; and I, even I, will **chastise you seven times** for your sins.

26:33 And I will **scatter** you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste.

Matt 12:30 He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me **scattereth** abroad.

They that hate you shall reign over you, and ye shall flee when none pursueth you. And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then **[the following 5 sequence of words are found ONLY in Lev 26:18]** I will **punish you seven times more** for your sins, and I will break the pride of your power; and I will make your heaven as iron, and your earth as brass, and your strength shall be spent in vain; for your land shall not yield her increase, neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruits." {Ms40-1898 (March 13, 1898) par. 6} ... **The prophecies regarding Israel were fulfilled to the letter.** God permitted His chosen people to be **scattered** [see Lev 26:33] as captives in strange lands. When they repented, God took them to Himself again, and established them in His own land. But their continual disobedience resulted in their complete overthrow, and in the overthrow of Jerusalem. {Ms40-1898 (March 13, 1898) par. 9}

Zech 1:16 ... **a line** shall be stretched forth upon Jerusalem.

Isa. 28:17 **Judgment** also will I lay to **the line**, and righteousness to the plummet:

Rev 11:2 ... Rise, and **measure** the temple of God,

Micah 1:2 Hear, all ye people; hearken, O earth, and all that therein is: and let the Lord GOD be **witness against you**, the Lord **from his holy temple.**

Ps 77:13 **Thy way, O God, [is] in the sanctuary:** who [is so] great a God as [our] God?

The **subject of the sanctuary** . . . should be clearly understood by the people of God. All need a knowledge for themselves of the position and work of their great High Priest. . . . {FLB 203.2}

The **intercession** of Christ in man's behalf in the sanctuary above is as essential to the plan of salvation as was His death upon the cross. By His death He began that work which after His resurrection He ascended to complete in heaven. We must by faith enter within the veil, "whither the forerunner is for us

entered." Hebrews 6:20. **There the light from the cross of Calvary is reflected. There we may gain a clearer insight into the mysteries of redemption.** The salvation of man is accomplished at an infinite expense to heaven; **the sacrifice made is equal to the broadest demands of the broken law of God.** Jesus has opened the way to the Father's throne, and through His **mediation** the sincere desire of all who come to Him in faith may be presented before God. {FLB 203.3}

SANCTUARY

Numbers 7:84–86 This was the dedication of the altar, in the day when it was anointed, by the princes of Israel: twelve chargers of silver, twelve silver bowls, twelve spoons of gold: Each charger of silver *weighing* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, each bowl seventy: all the silver vessels *weighed* two thousand and four hundred *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary: The golden spoons were twelve, full of incense, *weighing* ten *shekels* a piece, after the shekel of the sanctuary: all the gold of the spoons was an hundred and twenty *shekels*.

Charger 130 x 12	=	1560
Bowl 70 x 12	=	840
Chargers & Bowls	=	2400
Spoons 12 x 10	=	120
Chargers, bowls and spoons =		2520 shekels

Seven Times or **2520** is a number that stands for **judgment** (Laodicea means "a people judged") of which time we are living under the proclamation of the first angel's message ("hour of his **judgment** has come") followed by the 2nd and 3rd messages. This **judgment number** represented by **2520** is and what will come upon the disobedient in the last days of which this warning is given throughout scripture as an example to us under the 3rd angel's message which is to be poured out under the 7 last **plagues** by Islam.

**SEVEN
TIMES**

Daniel 5:25-26 (Belshazzar's writing on the wall)

And this is the writing that was written, **MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN.**

This is the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it.

Aramaic	Hebrew	Meaning	Hebrew	Shekels	Gerahs
Mene	מְנָא	Counted	Maneh (Mina)	50	1000
Mene	-	Counted		50	1000
Tekel	תְּקֵל	Weighed	Shekel	1	20
Upharsin (Peres)	פְּרֵס	Divided	Half Maneh	25	500
Total				126	2520
One shekel is twenty gerahs. (Ezekiel 45:13)					

You can find interesting facts about the number 2520 by doing a google search online.

Daniel 4:32-33 (Nebuchadnezzar's 7 years (2520 days) of humiliation among the beasts of the field)

And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling [shall be] with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and **seven times** shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.

The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' [feathers], and his nails like birds' [claws].

Daniel 3:19 (the 3 Hebrew worthies were thrown in the furnace as a judgment against them from the king)

Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: [therefore] he spake, and commanded that they should **heat the furnace one seven times** more than it was wont to be heated.

These **trials of life** are God's workmen to remove the **impurities, infirmities, and roughness** from our

characters, and fit us for the society of pure, heavenly angels in glory. But as we pass through these trials, as the fires of affliction kindle upon us, we must not keep the eye on the fire which is seen, but let the eye of faith fasten upon the things unseen, the eternal inheritance, the immortal life, the eternal weight of glory; and while we do this the fire will not consume us, but only remove the dross, and **we shall come forth seven times purified**, bearing the impress of the Divine. {1T 706.2} Greenville, Michigan, March 7, 1868. (An example of trials & purification is when Jacob had **to serve 7 years twice (2- 2520's)** to have his hand in marriage to Rachael; his **penalty** for deceiving his brother Esau of the birthright- Gen 25:22-34)

Ps 12:6 The words of the LORD [are] pure words: [as] silver tried in a furnace of earth, **purified seven times**.

Prov 24:16 For a just [man] falleth **seven times**, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.

What is this Day of Atonement that was acted out during the Israelites of old? This same work (blotting out sin) must be completed BEFORE Christ comes to redeem his people!

As the **sins** of the people were figure, to the earthly sanctuary by the our **sins** are, in fact, transferred to the blood of Christ. **ATONEMENT- SINS BLOTTED OUT** anciently transferred, in blood of the sin-offering, so the heavenly sanctuary by the blood of Christ. **removal of the sins** And as the typical cleansing of the earthly was accomplished by the **removal of the sins** by which it had been polluted, so the actual cleansing of the heavenly is to be accomplished by the removal, or **blotting out of the sins** which are there recorded. This necessitates an examination of the books of record to determine who, **through repentance of sin and faith in Christ**, are entitled to the benefits **of his atonement**. The cleansing of the sanctuary therefore involves a work of **investigative Judgment**. **This work must be performed prior to the coming of Christ to redeem his people; for when he comes, his reward is with him to give to every man according to his works.** [Revelation 22:12.] {4SP 266.1}

Romans 5:20 Moreover **the law** entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

We are now living in the Day of Atonement- under the Investigative Judgment.

We are in the great day of atonement, when our sins are, by confession and repentance, to go beforehand to **Judgment**. God does not now accept a tame, spiritless testimony from his ministers. Such a testimony would not be present truth. The message for this time must be meat in due season to feed the church of God. But **Satan has been seeking gradually to rob this message of its power**, that the people may not be prepared to stand in the day of the Lord. {RH March 22, 1887, par. 8}

In 1844 our great High Priest entered the most holy place of the heavenly Sanctuary, to begin the work of the investigative Judgment. The cases of the righteous dead have been passing in review before God. **When that work shall be completed, judgment is to be pronounced upon the living.** How precious, how important are these solemn moments! Each of us has a case pending in the court of heaven. We are individually to be judged according to the deeds done in the body. In the typical service, when the work of **atonement** was performed by the high priest in the most holy place of the earthly sanctuary, the people were required to afflict their souls before God, and confess their **sins, that they might be atoned for and blotted out.** Will any less be required of us in this **antitypical day of atonement**, when Christ in the Sanctuary above is pleading in behalf of his people, and the final, irrevocable decision is to be pronounced upon every case? {RH March 22, 1887, par. 9}

Folks, the law of Moses (which magnified the moral law, 10 Commandments) was not done away with at the cross! It is immutable! Our debt of sins were blotted out at the cross in the person of our Redeemer who died for us!

INVESTIGATIVE JUDGMENT

ROBBED OF THE POWER OF THIS MESSAGE

AN ERROR

While the Saviour's death brought to an end the **law of types and shadows**, **it did not in the least detract from the obligation of the moral law**. On the contrary, the very fact that it was necessary for Christ to die in order to **atone** for the transgression of that law, proves it to be immutable. {PP 365.3}

➔ Those who claim that Christ came to abrogate **the law** of God and to do away with the Old Testament, speak of the Jewish age as one of darkness, and represent the religion of the Hebrews as consisting of mere forms and ceremonies. **But this is an error**. All through the pages of sacred history, where the dealings of God with His chosen people are recorded, there are burning traces of the great I AM. Never has He given to the sons of men more open manifestations of His power and glory than when He alone was acknowledged as Israel's ruler, and gave the law to His people. Here was a scepter swayed by no human hand; and the stately goings forth of Israel's invisible King were unspeakably grand and awful. {PP 365.4}

*Again, what was against us that was blotted out on the cross? Our debt of sins! The Law, in and of itself, is NOT against us, since it shows us our sins. The **penalty** of the law is against us. **Our sins are against us**; the **penalty** of transgression (sins) of the law is death of which Jesus paid for us and **blotted out the sins** of record of those who accept Him (by his blood offering sacrifice) as their pardoning Saviour!*

Colossians 2:13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

2:14 **Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us**, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, **nailing it to his cross**;

Romans 7:12 Wherefore **the law** [G 3551- Moses's statutes; the Torah] **[is] holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good**.

7:13 Was then that which is good made death unto me? **God forbid**. **But sin**, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful.

*From this study, we have seen that the 10 Commandments are an outline of the **statutes** (given to Moses to write in a book) of which the **latter** contains the **minute instructions** and **amplified principles** of the Ten Commandments and were given **to guard the sacredness of the Ten Commandments**. To reiterate again:*

Moses was commanded **to write**, as God should bid him, **judgments** and **laws** giving **minute instruction** as to what was required. **These directions** relating to the duty of the people to

➔ God, to one another, and to the stranger **were only the principles** of the **Ten Commandments amplified** and **given in a specific manner, that none need err**. **They** were designed **to guard the sacredness of the ten precepts** engraved on the tables of stone. {PP 364.1}

CONCLUSION

The laws given to Moses to write in a book include the outline of the 10 commandments. The "**handwriting of the ordinances**" (a promissory note of debt), **was a temporary addition to the law pointing to the sacrificial system that was to be fulfilled (penalty for sins blotted out) when Christ came to fulfill the law (on the cross)**. Therefore, the entire "law of Moses" (written in a book) WAS NOT BLOTTED OUT on the cross, **ONLY the portion** (the debt/ penalty) — the temporary addition — pertaining to the **ceremonial services** were to cease.

"Think not," were the words of Christ, "that I have come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil." Matthew 5:17. **The laws of sacrificial offerings** were typical and **were in force until type should reach its antitype in the greater and wholly perfect sacrifice of Jesus Christ**. **These sacrifices and services of the temple were to cease with the perfect offering of Christ Himself as the Lamb without blemish; these sacrifices were abolished at the cross**. **This handwriting of ordinances** our Lord did blot out and take away and nail to His cross. {Ms43-1887.1}

Through Christ the hidden glory of the/holy of holies was to stand revealed. **He had suffered death for every man, and by this offering, the sons of men were to become the sons of God [John 1:12].** With open face, beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, **believers in Christ were to be changed into the same image, from glory to glory [2Cor 3:18].** The mercy seat, upon which the glory of God rested in the holiest of all [Lev 16:2], is opened to all who accept **Christ as the propitiation for sin [1John 4:10];** and **through its medium, they are brought into fellowship with God [1Cor 1:9].** The veil is rent, the partition walls broken down the **handwriting of ordinances canceled. By virtue of His blood the enmity is abolished [Eph 2:14-16].** Through faith in Christ Jew and Gentile may partake of the living bread. {Lt230-1907.18}

Genesis 3:15 I will put enmity between thee and the woman.