Fall into Grace Sunday June 25, 2023 Pastor Pete Norris

But then Law came in, [only] to expand and increase the trespass [making it more apparent and exciting opposition]. But where sin increased and abounded, grace (God's unmerited favor) has surpassed it and increased the more and superabounded, (Romans 5:20 AMP)

God wants us to know that when someone falls into sin, he does not fall from Grace, he falls into Grace!

For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace. (Romans 6:14 NKJV)

It is when you see His Grace is providing His Son to put away sins and make you eternally righteous that sin will not dominate you.

Notice, it is I, Paul, who tells you that if you receive circumcision, Christ will be of no profit (advantage, avail) to you [for if you distrust Him, you can gain nothing from Him]. I once more protest and testify to every man who receives circumcision that he is under obligation and bound to practice the whole of the Law and its ordinances. If you seek to be justified and declared righteous and to be given a right standing with God through the Law, you are brought to nothing and so separated (severed) from Christ. You have fallen away from grace (from God's gracious favor and unmerited blessing). (Galatians 5:2-4 AMP)

If you take the law, you profited nothing. To fall into sin is returning to the law. To fall away from Grace is to fall back into the law to make you righteous.

For when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were aroused by the law were at work in our members to bear fruit to death. (Romans 7:5 NKJV)

But if the ministry of death, written and engraved on stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of the glory of his countenance, which glory was passing away, (II Corinthians 3:7 NKIV)

For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more." In that He says, "A new covenant," He has made the first obsolete. Now what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away. (Hebrews 8:12, 13 NKJV)

When you go back to the law, you are saying that you can make yourself righteous and not Jesus.

Desiring to be teachers of the law, understanding neither what they say nor the things which they affirm. But we know that the law is good if one uses it lawfully, knowing this: that the law is not made for a righteous person, but for the lawless and insubordinate, for the ungodly and for sinners, for the unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, (I Timothy 1:7-9 NKJV)

But before faith came, we were kept under guard by the law, kept for the faith which would afterward be revealed. Therefore the law was our tutor to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith. But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. (Galatians 3:23-25 NKJV)

In a household the guardian is responsible for the care and discipline of the children.

(1) I am dead to the law.

Therefore, my brethren, you also have become dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another—to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God. (Romans 7:4 NKJV)

For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God. **(Galatians 2:19 NKJV)**

(2) I am not under the law

For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace. (Romans 6:14 NKJV)

But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. (Galatians 5:18 NKJV)

(3) I am free from the Sin

For he who has died has been freed from sin. (Romans 6:7 NKJV)

Therefore, since Christ suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same mind, for he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, (I Peter 4:1 NKJV)

For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. (**Hebrews 8:10 NKJV**)

For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. (Romans 8:2 NKJV)