

The Spirit is Liberty
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The law came into existence because of sin.

Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty
II Corinthians 3:17 NKJV

Do we begin again to commend ourselves? Or do we need, as some others, epistles of commendation to you or letters of commendation from you? You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men; clearly you are an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart. **II Corinthians 3:1-3 NKJV**

And we have such trust through Christ toward God. Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God, **II Corinthians 3:4-5 NKJV**

Not that we are fit (qualified and sufficient in ability) of ourselves to form personal judgments or to claim or count anything as coming from us, but our power and ability and sufficiency are from God. **2 Corinthians 3:5 AMPC**

Who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. **II Corinthians 3:6 NKJV**

It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life. **John 6:63 NKJV**

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. **John 14:6 NKJV**

The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly. **John 10:10 NKJV**

When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. **Colossians 3:4 NKJV**

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. **John 11:25 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 NKJV**

The glory that was under the law was to bring men to the end of themselves.

How will the ministry of the Spirit not be more glorious? **II Corinthians 3:8 NKJV**

The law is still vivid with people who don't know Christ.

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, for fornicators, for sodomites, for kidnappers, for liars, for perjurers, and if there is any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine, according to the glorious gospel of the blessed God which was committed to my trust. **I Timothy 1:8-11 NKJV**

For if the ministry of condemnation had glory, the ministry of righteousness exceeds much more in glory. **II Corinthians 3:9 NKJV**

For if the service that condemns [the ministration of doom] had glory, how infinitely more abounding in splendor and glory must be the service that makes righteous [the ministry that produces and fosters righteous living and right standing with God]! **2 Corinthians 3:9 AMPC**

For even what was made glorious had no glory in this respect, because of the glory that excels. **II Corinthians 3:10 NKJV**

Indeed, in view of this fact, what once had splendor [the glory of the Law in the face of Moses] has come to have no splendor at all, because of the overwhelming glory that exceeds and excels it [the glory of the Gospel in the face of Jesus Christ]. **2 Corinthians 3:10 AMPC**

For if what is passing away was glorious, what remains is much more glorious. **II Corinthians 3:11 NKJV**

Therefore, since we have such hope, we use great boldness of speech— unlike Moses, who put a veil over his face so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the end of what was passing away. **II Corinthians 3:12-13 NKJV**

Moses put the veil over his face so that they would not see the glory leave.

But their minds were blinded. For until this day the same veil remains unlifted in the reading of the Old Testament, because the veil is taken away in Christ. But even to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart. Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. **II Corinthians 3:14-16 NKJV**

Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. **II Corinthians 3:17 NKJV**

And so it is written, “The first man Adam became a living being.” The last Adam became a life-giving spirit. **I Corinthians 15:45 NKJV**

Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage. **Galatians 5:1 NKJV**

For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. **Galatians 5:13 NKJV**

But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. **II Corinthians 3:18 NKJV**

And all of us, as with unveiled face, [because we] continued to behold [in the Word of God] as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are constantly being

transfigured into His very own image in ever increasing splendor and from one degree of glory to another; [for this comes] from the Lord [Who is] the Spirit. **2 Corinthians 3:18 AMPC**