



“But the Pharisees and lawyers rejected the will of God for themselves, not having been baptized by him.” (Lk. 7:30)

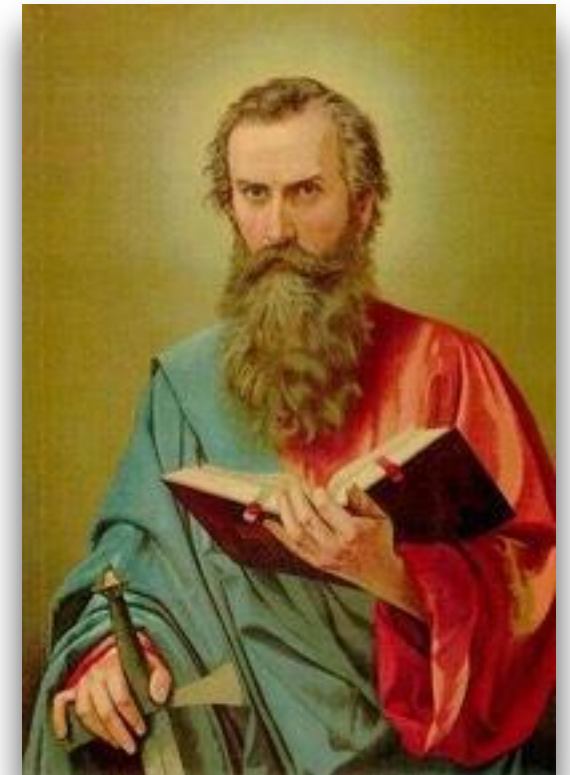
Living a New Life

A New Master

- “...whoever commits sin is a slave of sin.” (Jn. 8:34)
- **Whom or what we serve identifies our master**
- “All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. Foods for the stomach and the stomach for foods, but God will destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.” (1 Cor. 6:12-13)

A New Master

- St. Paul
 - “Paul and Timothy, bondservants of Jesus Christ...” (Phil. 1:1)
 - “No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.” (Matt. 6:24)



A New Master

- Can I have both?
- “For if I still pleased men, I would not be a bondservant of Christ.” (Gal. 1:10)



A New Law

- A new language
- “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder, and whoever murders will be in danger of the judgment.’ But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment...But whoever says, ‘You fool!’ shall be in danger of hell fire. (Matt. 5:21-23)

A New Law

- A new standard of obedience
- “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.”
(Matt. 5:27-28)

A New Law

- A new standard of love
- “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you...” (Matt. 5:43-44)

A New Purpose

- “And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.” (Col. 3:17)
- “...and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.” (2 Cor. 5:15)
- “For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.” (Eph. 2:10)

A New Image

- “...since you have put off the old man with his deeds, and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him...” (Col. 3:9-10)
- “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.” (2 Cor. 5:17)
- “I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me...” (Gal. 2:20)
- “For we are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing.” (2 Cor. 2:15)

Summary

- New Master
- New Law
 - New language
 - New standard of obedience
 - New standard of love
- New Purpose
- New Image