

Answering Challenging Questions:

Do members of the church of Christ believe in the authority of the Old Testament?" (Part 1) The Challenging Accusations & Questions we are looking at in this study:

- Do members of the church of Christ believe in the authority of the Old Testament?
- What law governs mankind today?



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The Patriarchal Law

The Patriarchal Law/Moral Law

"But what about the "Patriarchal Law"? The fact is, the phrase "Patriarchal Law" is never found in the Bible. It is simply a name given to the law that governed all men from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, and for Gentiles from Adam until the Christian dispensation began. Other than Christianity and Judaism, there has been but one other law, through the ages, under which God accepted worship: This was a system that had continued since commands were first given in Eden. Although the Bible does not give this law a "proper name," it has become known as "the Patriarchal Law."" (Defending the Faith Study Bible Notes)

The Patriarchal Law

Acts 7:8 – 10

Romans 2:12 – 16

Genesis 9:1 – 7

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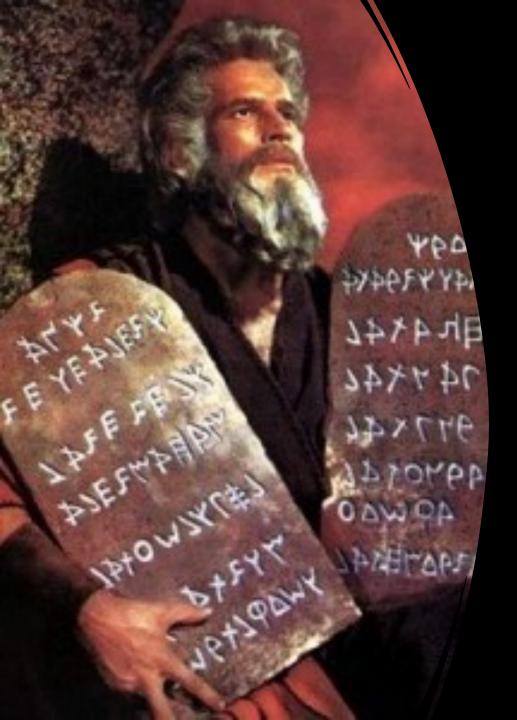
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The Mosaic Law

- Exodus 3:10 12
- Exodus 19:1 6

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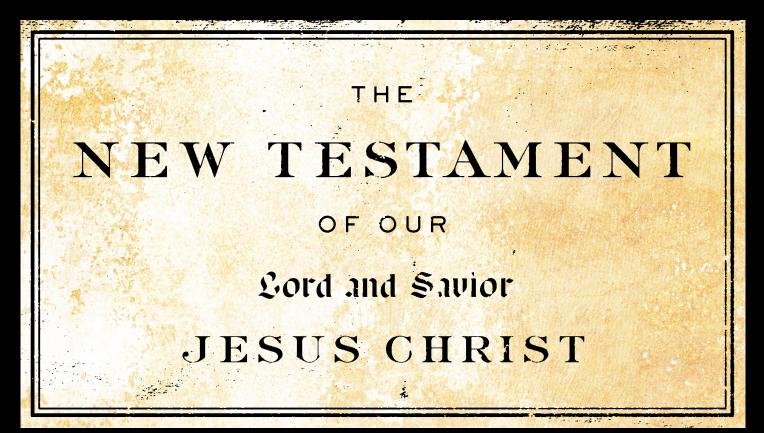
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The Patriarchal Law
The Mosaic Law
The Law of Christ

The Law of Christ

- Hebrews 1:1 2
- John 12:44 50
- Galatians 6:2



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In our next study, we examine the question, "What law governs Christians today?"

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