
PRAYER RESPONSE

1. God, we praise you for Your grace.
2. God, thank you for the freedom You have given us through Christ.
3. God, help us love You and others actively.
4. Group prayer requests. (Pray for previous meeting requests and list new ones below).



#3 — Law and Gospel
Matthew 5:17-20

G2 Pastor Ben Graham
March 1, 2020

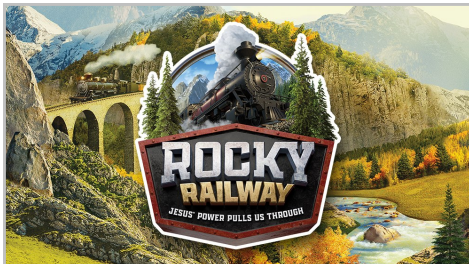
The law was a heavy _____.

The law was a heavy burden _____ by Jesus.

The law was a heavy burden lifted by Jesus so we can live the _____.

VBS will be **June 8 – 12**. Registration opens to the public in May but volunteers can sign up their kids now. Stop by the Lobby or visit our website!

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Growth Group Preparation Questions

For the week of March 1, 2020

Prepare for your Growth Group discussion by taking some time to go through the following Growth Group Questions (G2Qs) and be ready to share your thoughts and answers with your group. Have a great time growing in the Word, growing in relationships, and encouraging one another to find enduring hope in Jesus.

CONNECT

1. Talk about the scariest bill you've ever received?

2. What state or federal law are you most okay with breaking?

PRAY

Father, help us to use our freedom in Christ to love You and people.

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Reflect on this week's sermon. Was anything particularly impactful for you?

2. What are some religious rules that continue to carry too much weight for you?
 - A. How should the Gospel change the way you view those religious rules?

3. When have you resisted grace someone offered you?
 - A. Why is it so tempting to resist grace and try to earn favor with people?
 - B. What about with God?
 - C. How do you think the way you were raised impacts this?

4. Respond to the following questions discussing the role the law plays in your life:
 - A. In what ways is pursuing obedience a joy to you? A burden?
 - B. Refer to the cross chart from the sermon. Discuss ways you tend to make excuses for sin.
 - C. Discuss ways you tend to lower God's standard (still looking at the cross chart.)

5. Read Galatians 5:1-6. How does grace and freedom result in love?
 - A. Describe how you came to the realization your spiritual growth is based on grace.
 - B. How have you been surprised by ways you've grown spiritually?