

Free from the Law Romans 7:1-6 (ESV)

The believer has been set free from sin so he can live his life unto the Lord.

Paul uses three images:

1. Baptism (Ro 6:1-14)
2. Slavery (Ro 6:15-23)
3. Marriage (Ro 7:1-6)

Paul's axiom concerning the law:

The Law has no jurisdiction over a dead person.

Paul's analogy:

Remarriage is permitted after the death of a spouse. (v. 2, 3)

Paul's application:

Our death in Christ releases us from the Law and allows us to be joined to Christ. (v.4)

1. We died to the Law.
2. We are now joined to Christ.

Our Old Relationship (B.C.)

1. We bore fruit for death. (v.5)
2. We served in the oldness of the letter. (v.6)
3. We served under the jurisdiction of the Law.
4. Our sinful passions were aroused by the Law.

Our New Relationship (A.D.)

1. We bear the fruit of the Spirit. (v.4)
2. We now serve in newness of the Spirit. (v.6)
3. We are dead to the Law. (v.4)
4. Now we have been released from the Law. (v.6)