

Above the law

We, as believers in Jesus Christ, are the blessed recipients of an honor and gift that is reserved only for the elect of Gods creation. This gift is not for the beast of the field or the fowl of the air or even the angelic beings that inhabit the heavenly realm and is not based on merit or works. No, this gift is designed just for Gods special creation, man, who was made in the image and likeness of God himself. That gift is Grace in the form of favor and forgiveness. This is a gift that is above the law. Romans 5:8 says, **“But God commended his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ DIED FOR US”**. When we think of true fairness and justice we would think in terms of somebody who followed a code or rules that were equally distributed without respect of persons or favoritism. When we think of God we also think of this same level of justice and sense of fairness but I have good news, God operates above any human law or any divine Law given to man. If God was fair and just as our definition applies then all men would be doomed to perish because Romans 3:23 says **“For ALL HAVE SINNED, and come short of the glory of God”** This means by our standards of fairness it would be unjust for God to give us mercy or even an opportunity to repent.

Because God operates in a dimension of majesty and sovereignty, as Master of the universe, He is not bound by laws that were made for the lawless and for those feeble, imperfect creatures who possess imperfect knowledge of truth and wisdom. God, whose ways are not like our ways, judges us from a state of divine love which has a pardon in it as part of His restoration plan for man. God’s mercy is perfect because it is directed by God based on His perfect knowledge of the intents of the human heart. There is an amazing thing that happens when a believer’s heart is filled with the Spirit of God. He is transported into a place in the spirit that supersedes and transcends the laws of common humanity that only promote tolerance and civility. The Spirit of God begins to teach us how to operate above the law in order that we might be conformed into the likeness of Christ in exhibitions of power over the flesh nature. Christ often showed his power over sickness, the elements and death but His most powerful exhibition of divine strength was in his ability to love and intercede to God on behalf of those who were presently killing him. He had Peace with those who had denied Him and a plan of restoration and proof for those who doubted him. His life was the fruit of His Spirit. Galatians 5:22-23 says **“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such THERE IS NO LAW.”** This text doesn’t indicate that we are lawless people; on the contrary, it indicates that we serve a higher law and live by a greater standard than common man.

There is no defense or need to defend against the standards of conduct that are set by the Spirit of God. We do not seek world approval and operate under a King and Lord that is not of this world. We are not just good citizens but are the elect ambassadors of God who have a mandate to love a world that will hate us and seek the lost that may not want to be found. When we begin to walk in this manifestation of our commitment to Christ you will find that living above the law gets us one step closer to meeting Christ in the clouds. As He will call us up to Him to meet Him in the air during the rapture we are being practiced now on leaving the simple laws of civility and climbing up to the high call of love and forgiveness.

1 Peter 3:8-9 says, **“Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous: Not rendering EVIL FOR EVIL, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing”**.