

MATT. 5:17 – 20 JESUS AND THE OLD TESTAMENT

I. THE OT _____ US – Rom. 15:4

A. To encourage us – Rom. 15:4 B. To exhort us – I Cor. 10:1-11

II. THE LAW WAS GIVEN TO SHOW US OUR NEED OF A SAVIOUR.

Galatians 3:19; Rom. 7:7; Gal. 3:24,25

III. THE OT WAS GIVEN TO SHOW US THAT _____ IS THE PROMISED MESSIAH/REDEEMER/SAVIOUR - Luke 24:27

A. Law – the Pictures - sacrifices, types

Heb. 10:1 – “The law is only a shadow (picture) of the good things that are coming – not the realities themselves.” ILLUS. Ex. 12 – Passover Lamb

1. Chosen from the family's flock 2. Chosen before it was offered
3. It had to be without blemish 4. It was offered on the 14th day of the month Nissan - the day scholars tell us Christ was crucified. None of the lamb's bones were to be broken, Exodus 12:46, John 19:32-36.

5. The lamb was killed, and the blood applied to the lintel and doorposts - the sign of the cross.

B. Prophets – There are _____ major prophecies in the OT that tell about the birth and life of the Person Who would be the Savior/Messiah. When you add to those the allusions and minor prophecies, they total over _____. Jesus fulfilled them _____.

SO WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR US TODAY?

Colossians 2:14-17 - ¹⁴having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross..... ¹⁶Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. ¹⁷These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ.

Rom. 7:4,6 Galatians 3:23-25 Heb. 10:8 – 9

IV. THE PURPOSE OF THE LAW IS TO BRING US TO REDEMPTION THROUGH _____.

We are redeemed by faith in Christ, not by keeping the law. Romans 8:1-4: “There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. 3 For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God did: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, 4 in order that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.”

In the OT, people tried to live by the _____; today followers of Christ live by _____ - for God and for _____.

