

A Re-Look at 2 Corinthians 3

2 Corinthians 3:7

But if the **ministration of death**,
written and engraven in stones,
was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of
Moses for the glory of his countenance;
which glory was to be done away:

2 Corinthians 3:9

For if the **ministration of condemnation** be glory, much more doth the ministration
of righteousness exceed in glory.

Question: What was given immediately after Moses came down from the mountain the second time.... (Ex 34,35)?

Conclusion: I think we do it wrong to lump the whole of Moses (Torah) in this ministration of death. But this ministration of death for which Moses's face shone was the Levitical priesthood. death was involved in every aspect of the tabernacle/temple service and yet it made nothing whole. Death was all round them (millions of animals slain), it was the **administration of condemnation**, they had to remember all their sin year after year even the sin from 15 years before had to be remembered, they were condemned.. looking for that better hope. 2 Corinthians 3:9 For if the **ministration of condemnation** be glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

This **ministration of death was indeed written in stones...**

Joshua 8:31 As Moses the servant of YHWH commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the book of the law of Moses, **an altar of whole stones**, over which no man hath lift up any iron: and they offered thereon burnt offerings unto YHWH, and sacrificed peace offerings.

32 **And he wrote there upon the stones a copy of the law of Moses**, which he wrote in the presence of the children of Israel.

In Joshua it just tells us they were written, but in 2 Cor 3:7 it expounds on that a little to let us know they were not "just" written but engraved just as the 10 commandments were written on the 2 Tablets with the finger of YHWH.

The Re-Look:

So we have the Law of creation, the Law of animal for food, the Law of not eating blood, the Law of YHWH, the Law of the Levitical Priesthood and the Law of separation (603) of which the whole of these laws are recorded in the "Torah" or "Moses".

Here a little there a little, line upon line, precept upon precept...

The **ONLY thing Yeshua fulfilled was the Law of the Levitical Priesthood** which was a foreshadow, a schoolmaster of what His ministry was going to be. His fulfilling of this Law of the Levitical Priesthood removed the Law of separation (603) making all men one flesh..

Eph 2:11 Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, **who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision** in the flesh made by hands;

12 That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:

13 But now in Christ Yeshua ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

14 For he is our peace, **who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;**

15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

The Law of God (10Cs) was never referred to as the the Law of condemnation, the law of death. It was always **perfect, good, light, a law unto life...** now as Paul says he found it to be death to him but that was not the law it was his sin that made it death unto him.. Romans 7:10 And the commandment, **which was ordained to life**, I found to be unto death. 11 For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew me. 12 **Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.**

Matthew 19:17 And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if **thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.**

Proverbs 6:23 For the **commandment is a lamp;** and the **law is light;** and reproofs of instruction are the way of life:

Psalms 19:7 The **law of YHWH is perfect**, converting the soul: the testimony of YHWH is sure, making wise the simple.

Law of Creation - Each animal after it's own kind, each plant after it's own kind, man and woman one each in marriage never to be divided, divorce and adultery forbidden, 7th Day Sabbath blessed and sanctified, making it UNCHANGEABLE till the end of time. Genesis 1:31 And YHWH saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good.....

Law of animal for food - Ex 9 every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things.

Law of not eating blood - Ex 9 But flesh with the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall ye not eat. And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man.

Acts 15:20 But that we write unto them, **that they abstain** from pollutions of idols, and from fornication, **and from things strangled, and from blood.**

Acts 15:29 **That ye abstain** from meats offered to idols, and **from blood, and from things strangled,** and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well.

Law of Yahweh - 10 Commandments was from the beginning of creation, adultery, murder, good and evil, spoken by Yahweh in Ex 20.
Defining sin 1 John 3:4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

These four laws are unchangeable, cannot be transcended, Eccl 3:14 I know that, whatsoever YHWH doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and YHWH doeth it, that men should fear before him. 15 That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and YHWH requireth that which is past.

Now when the children of Abraham, (unto whom YHWH promised him the "seed" should come), were delivered from Egypt the "gospel" began to be "preached". Heb 4:1 Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. 2 For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it.

Out of Egypt this "gospel" came in the way of the Law of the Levitical Priesthood.

Law of the Levitical Priesthood - 2 Cor 3:7-9 ministration of death, ministration of condemnation, could not bring life, a schoolmaster
Galatians 3:24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. 25 But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

All meant to be passing away, never intended to be permanent. Schools are meant to be passed through and then done.

Hebrews 8:13 In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

Christ fulfilled this with his life and minster and with our new convent this Law of the Levitical Priesthood decayeth and waxeth old and is vanished away.

Hebrews 8: 7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second. 11 If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law,) what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron? Hebrews 7:17 For he testifieth, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

Hebrews 8:1 Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens; 2 A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.

A New High Priesthood after the order of Melchisedec, not of Levi.

Law of separation (603) - Ex 33:16-17 requested by Moses before going up the mountain the second time to receive the 10 commandments and granted by Yahweh. Eze 20:25 Wherefore I gave them also statutes that were not good, and judgments whereby they should not live; 26 And I polluted them in their own gifts, in that they caused to pass through the fire all that openeth the womb, that I might make them desolate, to the end that they might know that I am YHWH.

These were removed nailed to the cross..

Col 2:14 **Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us**, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;

Col 2:10 And **ye are complete in him**, which is the head of all principality and power:

We are complete in Yeshua, we are clean nothing from the outside can make us unclean, we are whole. The veil is torn and we have access to the Throne room of YHWH.

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