

**The Righteousness of God's Law**  
***Romans 7:7-12 (pg. #943 in pew Bible)***

***Exposition***

- 7:7a** Paul raises another question that either had risen or would arise in the minds of those who asked the previous questions about the Mosaic Law in 6:15 (*"Are we to sin because we are not under law?"*) and about God's grace in 6:1 (*"Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound?"*).
- 7:7b** After Paul answers with an emphatic "No," he declares that the Mosaic Law is not sinful but rather serves to highlight the depth of our sinful depravity.
- 7:8-11** Paul shares how he personally came to understand how sinful he really was through the Mosaic Law.
- 7:12** Paul declares that the Mosaic Law—as God's Word—is holy, righteous, and good—and it perfectly serves and fulfills God's providential and righteous purposes!

***Big Idea: God's righteous Word perfectly arouses and exposes our inherited, natural sinfulness.***

**Implications**

- 1. God's Law \_\_\_\_\_ causes anyone to sin. Rather, our sin nature naturally rebels against God's righteous commands and causes us to have a strong desire to \_\_\_\_\_ against God's Law.**

2. Sin attempts to \_\_\_\_\_ us into thinking that we are fully alive and free apart from obedience to God’s Word. However, God’s Word and Law \_\_\_\_\_ our spiritual deadness apart from God’s saving grace.
  
3. Sin will seize every \_\_\_\_\_ that you give it to try to deceive you and lead you astray.
  
4. God’s Word is always \_\_\_\_\_ holy, righteous, and good.

### ***Observations***

1. *Because Jesus Christ is the holy and sinless Son of God, He righteously and perfectly fulfilled every righteous demand of the Mosaic Law.*
  
2. *Because Jesus Christ is the holy and sinless Son of God, His righteousness sacrifice for our sin on the cross frees us from the condemnation of God’s wrath on sin.*

### **Application**

1. Instead of devaluing the Mosaic Law, **praise God** for the good purposes that He is always achieving through His Word in every age.
  
2. Be aware—**or beware**—of sin’s deceitfulness.