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- b) You cannot do it.
- c) It is a fake way. A hard way.
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#### ROMANS 10:4-13

4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

5 For Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on law shall live by that righteousness.

6 But the righteousness based on faith speaks as follows: "DO NOT SAY IN YOUR HEART, 'WHO WILL ASCEND INTO HEAVEN?' (that is, to bring Christ down),

7 or 'WHO WILL DESCEND INTO THE ABYSS?' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead)."

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9 that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

10 for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

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## SAVED?

Romans 10:9 "That if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

❖ You and I are inherently heading to a very horrible place that we need saving from.





Romans 9:22 "What if God, although willing to demonstrate His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction?"

#### ROMANS 10:5

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Leviticus 18:5 "So you shall keep My statutes and My judgments, by which a man may live if he does them; I am the LORD."

# WHY WOULD GOD GIVE THEM A LAW THEY COULDN'T KEEP?



- A lot of reasons.
  - ✓ To show them what is truly right and wrong.
  - ✓ To distinguish them from other nations.
  - ✓ To reveal His character
  - ✓ To reveal truth (as opposed to the falsehood of other nations)
  - ✓ To humble them before God.

# THE LAW: YOU GOTTA KEEP IT ALL



James 2:10 "For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all."

<u>Deut. 27:26</u> "Cursed is he who does not confirm the words of this law by <u>doing</u> them.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'"

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#### SALVATION BY WORKS?

- 1) It's unattainable.
  - ✓ Rom. 3:23. "By the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for through the Law comes the knowledge of sin.
- 2) It spits in the face of God.
  - ✓ Hebrews 2:1-3 "For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it. For if the word spoken through angels proved unalterable, and every transgression and disobedience received a just penalty, <u>how will we escape if we neglect so</u> great a salvation?"

#### ROMANS 10:6-9



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# YOU MUST BELIEVE IN HIM AND THAT GOD RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD.



"The resurrection of Jesus Christ is the very center of the Christian faith. Apart from the resurrection Christianity would be little more than a well-intentioned ethical system. It's a fact that within history God did something that defies all the laws of nature as we know them. He raised Jesus from the dead. It is the reality of this resurrection that lends credence to all that Jesus did and taught throughout His earthly life. It is God's way of authenticating to us that Jesus IS the Son of God." Mounce.

## A PROMISE FROM JESUS TO THOSE THAT LOVE HIM



<u>Luke 12:8</u> "And I say to you, everyone who confesses Me before men, the Son of Man will confess him also before the angels of God;"

Rev. 3:5 "He who overcomes will thus be clothed in white garments; and I will not erase his name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels."

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## YOUR SALVATION IS SURE IN CHRIST



Heb. 6:19 "This hope we have as an <u>anchor</u> of the soul, a hope both <u>sure</u> and <u>steadfast</u>"

1 John 5:13 "These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

#### HOW DO I KNOW MY SALVATION IS SURE?

Phil. 2:7-11 "But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ, and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith, that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead."

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- 1) Acknowledge your sin to God.
- 2) Forsake your life that was once ruled by sin and self.
- 3) And put all your trust in the righteousness of Christ alone. Believe IN Him with all your heart, confess Him to others.
- 4) Live for Him now. Not yourself.



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