

Our Love-Hate Relationship with the Law

ESV **James 1:22-27** But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ... **25** But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

What is your view of the Law?

- (a) I hate it because it convicts me of my sin
- (b) I am grateful when it promotes justice, protects the innocent & restrains evil
- (c) I love it because it shows me how to please God
- (d) All the above

What use is the Law for Christians?

- consider: John 3:36; 14:15; Luke 6:46

Are grace and law opposed? How do faith and works relate? consider:

- “while we are never saved by *doing* good works, we *are* saved *to do* good works.” – Eph 2:8-10; Phil 2:12
- “Grace is opposed to earning, not effort.” – Dallas Willard
- What you **DO** reveals what you *actually* BELIEVE. “Belief and Behavior must go hand in hand.” – James 2:18; John 5:28-29;
- We obey the Law, not in order **TO BE** saved but because we **ARE** saved.
- Love is at the heart of the Law. – Matt 22:36-40 “Practical obedience is the fruit of love, not an expression of legalism.” - Sinclair Ferguson

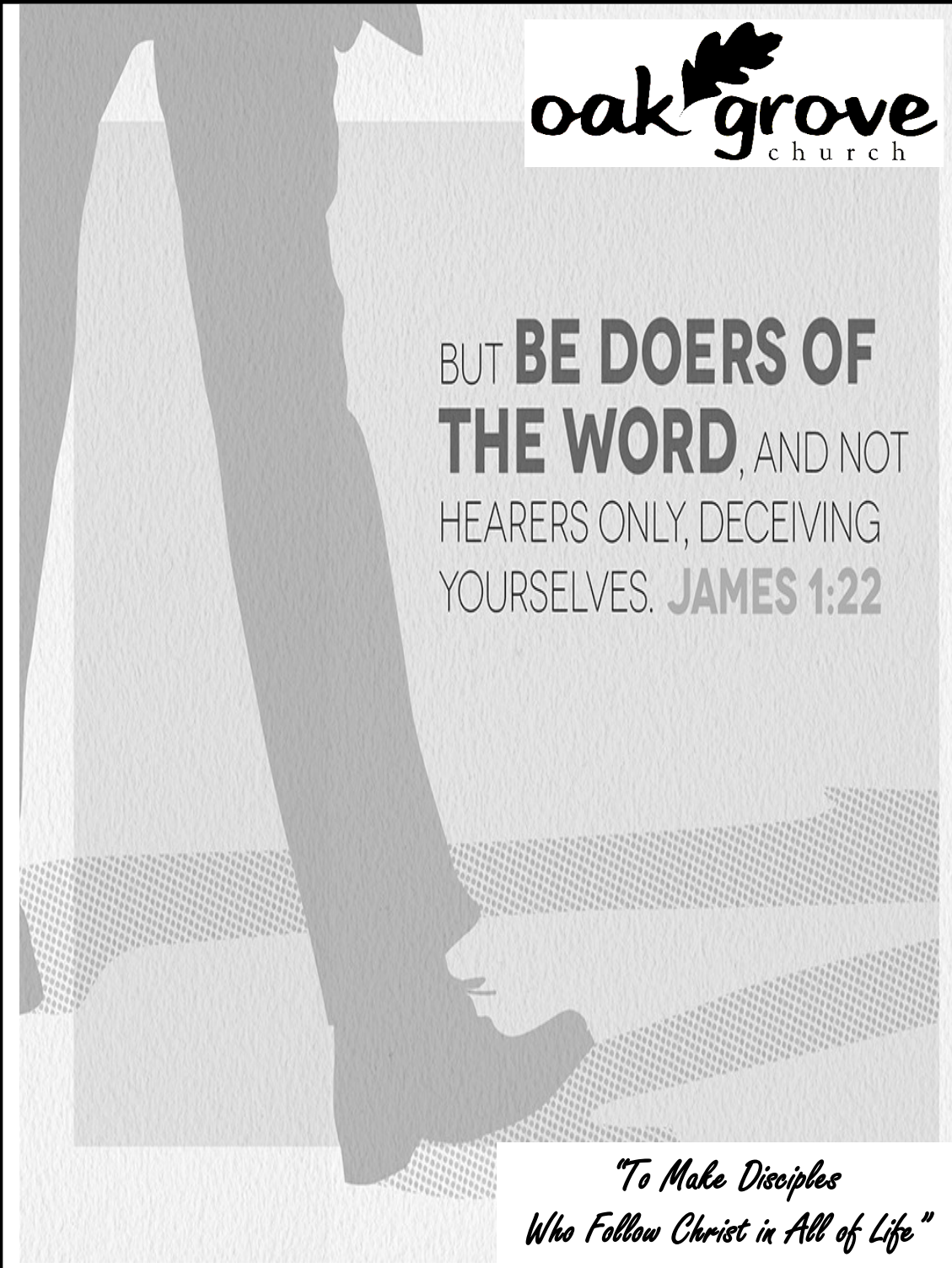
Isn't James' term "law of liberty" an oxymoron? How can submission to the law bring liberty? consider: Psalm 19:7-11; Psalm 119:9-16;

Psalm 119:4 says, “You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.” Since I'm saved by grace through faith, what place does diligence have in my life – as a new covenant believer?

- consider God's unadjusted standard: Matt 5:17-19; Gal 6:7-9; 1 Pt 1:14-16
- consider the gospel as the basis of my salvation: Rom 8:3-4; Titus 3:3-7
- consider the gospel as motivation & empowerment for diligence: Php 2:13; 1 Cor 1:18; 2 Pt 1:3-4



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BUT **BE DOERS OF THE WORD**, AND NOT HEARERS ONLY, DECEIVING YOURSELVES. **JAMES 1:22**

*“To Make Disciples
Who Follow Christ in All of Life”*



October 10, 2015

5:00 PM

October 11, 2015

9:30 AM

Pastor:
Josh Brumbaugh

**Welcome to Oak Grove Church
Worship Celebration**

Welcome, Announcements & Prayer Time

Praise to the Lord the Almighty
O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing
Bless the Lord
Good Shepherd of My Soul

Children's Sermon

Sermon
Our Love-Hate Relationship with the Law
James 1:22-27

Salt & Light

Benediction

Our Mission:

"To make disciples who follow Christ in all of life."

Oak Grove Church is a non-profit organization supported by the contributions of those who attend regularly. If you are a visitor this morning, please accept this worship service as our gift to you.

"We Exist to Glorify God"

Sunday Children's Church & Nursery

We offer children's church in the basement for children ages 4-5 yrs. Children are dismissed for this after the Children's Sermon during our Sunday Worship Service. We also have a staffed nursery for children ages 3 years and younger during our Sunday Service.

Amazing Moms

Amazing Moms will begin again this Monday, October 12th from 6-8 PM. The group meets the second Monday of the month (Oct - Dec) at the Evansville United Methodist Church.

This is a night away for moms to enjoy a meal, have some adult conversation, and hopefully a few laughs and to recharge ourselves to be able to be the best moms we can.

Contact Wendy Pryce or Karen Frey with questions.

Fall Church Work Day

Our fall church work day is Saturday, October 24th at 8 AM. All ages and abilities are needed to help spruce up and clean up our facility. There will be cleaning, painting, raking and landscaping projects to do. Bring your own rakes.

Operation Christmas Child

It's time to pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Empty boxes are available in the back of the sanctuary. Fill them with school supplies, hygiene items and toys for a needy child.

The shoeboxes should be returned to the church the week of November 15th - 21st.

Contact Kallie Day if you have any questions:

Manor Birthday Party

It is OCG's turn to host the Birthday party & Bingo at the Evansville Manor.

The party is October 21st at 2 PM. Melody Knudson is in need of cakes as well as volunteers from 1:45-3:15PM that day to help serve cake and play bingo with the residents.

Please contact Melody at if you can help either or both ways.

This Week at Oak Grove Church

Today:

Prayer Time 9:00 AM
Worship Service 9:30 AM
Polheber's Small Group 11:00 PM

This Week:

Wednesday
Worship Team Practice 6:30 PM
Warriors For Christ 7:00 PM
Thursday
Prayer Circle 10:00 AM
Elders Meeting 6:00 PM
Friday
Mere Christianity Study 6:30 PM
Saturday
Saturday Service 5:00 PM

Next Sunday:

Prayer Time 9:00 AM
Worship Service 9:30 AM
Quarterly Meeting & Potluck 11:00 AM
Awana 4:00 PM

Quarterly Meeting & Potluck

Our Quarterly meeting and Potluck meal will be held next Sunday, October 18th, immediately following the Worship service. Please bring a dish to pass and stay for the fellowship and updates.

Sunday Nursery This Week:

GREETER: Barbara D.
STAFF: Josh Baker

Sunday Nursery Next Week:

GREETER: Kari Z.
STAFF: Alan Z.

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Family Of The Week

**Jon & Karen F
Gavin, Blake and Collin**

Happy Birthday!

Orion S
Miranda N

Happy Anniversary!

John & Jenny B

Parking

As you have probably realized, parking is an issue around our building. If you are able-bodied, we ask that you park further away from the building. This is an effort to serve the elderly and families with small children who come for Worship.

There is also a public parking lot 1/2 block to the east of our building, on Church Street next to the EMS building, that is available for parking.

There is a closed circuit TV in the basement for viewing of the worship service, if needed.