

done that. Say that the story of the Prodigal Son means that humanity simply has to come back to the loving Father who loves it all the time and realize that they always had belonged to Him. that He ~~will~~ never will do anything to hurt them. Well, the NT -- Romans tells us that God so acted that He <sup>Could</sup> be just and/the justifier of them that believe in Jesus. In other words if God would simply justify us, simply forgive us, simply receive us back without in any way paying the penalty of the broken moral law He would not be a just God God. And God is righteous and just. God follows the moral law. The moral law is part of God's nature. And so what ever is the moral law is forever fixed and true.

I heard a man onetime say: The law of the OT is one thing; the law of the NT is another thing just like when you go from the state of Pa. to the state of NJ. Now, he said, in NJ. you are not under Pa. law at all. In Pa. it says that murder is a crime <sup>which</sup> ~~that~~ is punishable by the State but if you murder in N.J. you are not under Pa. law at all. But N.J. law also says that it is a crime punishable by the State. And so we find certain things in OT ~~the~~ <sup>which</sup> law that are not binding upon us because they are OT law, but they may be repeated in the NT and that is binding upon us because we are under NT law. That I consider to be a misunderstanding. The moral law is <sup>fixed</sup> ~~fixed~~ and eternal, and murder is wrong at any time. You do not pass from one realm <sup>of law</sup> to another in regard to the moral law. Now the difficulty is that the moral law is not segregated in the Scripture. It is not placed ~~just~~ by itself with other types of law completely separated from it. It -- That is not done because it would be impossible to do. Principles of righteousness and goodness apply through <sup>out</sup> all ~~the~~ law, but these principles/ <sup>that</sup> are eternal, and these principles are represented in the 10 commandments. But there are also ~~the~~ moral principles represented elsewhere. The moral law is <sup>fixed</sup> ~~fixed~~ and eternal. But there are two others types of law found in the Bible -- both in OT and in NT. And they are found even to some extent within the 10 commandments. And so No. 2 -- in parenthesis here is (Civil Law)