

The Law of Harmony

Romans 8:1, 2 – *There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. ² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.*

- Condemnation – expectation of judgment.

Matthew 11:12 – *And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force.*

MSG: *For a long time now people have tried to force themselves into God's kingdom.*

- Walk in the spirit – keep in step; harmonize your life.

Vs. 28-30 – *Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”*

- **Harmonize with Him. MSG:** *Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly.*

Matthew 18:19, 20 [AMP] – *Again I say to you, that if two believers on earth agree [that is, are of one mind, in harmony] about anything that they ask [within the will of God], it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in My name [meeting together as My followers], I am there among them.*

- Two of you harmonizing with heaven.
- The highest goal is to harmonize your life with God.

Romans 8:26-30 [NLT] – *And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed*

in words. ²⁷ And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads for us believers in harmony with God's own will. ²⁸ And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. ²⁹ For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn* among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰ And having chosen them, he called them to come to him. And having called them, he gave them right standing with himself. And having given them right standing, he gave them his glory.

- This is the place of harmony.
- Jesus – fully committed to following God & fully committed to walking in love.

Matthew 6:33 [MSG] – *Steep your life in God-reality, God-initiative, God-provisions. Don't worry about missing out. You'll find all your everyday human concerns will be met.*

- If we'll harmonize with God, we won't need to expend a lot of energy focused on our needs.

James 4:1-3 – *Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members? ² You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures.*

Law of synchronicity – when a person holds a clear cut purpose in their mind they are able to synchronize the events in their life with that purpose, thereby giving those events meaning or value.

Faith is not when you believe in a specific outcome. Faith is when you believe, regardless of the outcome, you will emerge victorious.

Serendipity – if I am pursuing a worthy cause then along the way I find all the resources I need for life. A fortunate accident.