

The Proof of the Law's Powerlessness

Galatians 03: 19–22

1 *The law was given to reveal sin
- to make men more aware of their sins*

2 *The law was temporary*

3 *The law was not given by God,
but through a mediator:
therefore, it is inferior*

4 *The law has no power to give life*

5 *The law declares
that the whole world
is a prisoner of sin*

19 What, then,
was the purpose of the law?
It was added because of transgressions
until the Seed to whom the promise referred had come.
The law was put into effect through angels by a mediator.

20 A mediator,
however, does not represent just one party;
but God is one.

21 Is the law, therefore,
opposed to the promises of God?
Absolutely not!
For if a law had been given that could impart life,
then righteousness would certainly have come by the law.

22 But the Scripture declares
that the whole world is a prisoner of sin,
so that what was promised,
being given through faith in Jesus Christ,
might be given to those who believe.