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72 - 1 Tim. 6:12 - "good fight of faith"

72- "It is too often thought that, since the law condemned us and cannot save us, grace, and faith release us from any obligation to God's law."

72- " God's law defines my sin and thereby my need for the Savior." Grace is nothing without law."

73- In being saved, we desire to keep the law. Paul expects us to (Eph. 2:10). And the law is not burdensome for believers (1 John 5:3).

73- " the law is established against the background of God's mercy toward his people" (the Exodus) "The first-hand experience of God's redemption is a strong motive for keeping the law (Deut. 7:10-11)."

79- normative, motivational, and consequential approaches to ethics. Bible includes all three.

81- Not wrong for Xians to be motivated by rewards for righteous living (cf. Christ's words to Peter: given to you a hundredfold)

82- some talk of the Kingdom: "seek," "pursue"

83- "Biblical law is a pathway to divine benefits" [lots of references on this page]

87- Summary of the whole book: "God's law is authoritative for contemporary ethics."

89- OT law affirmed in NT. Sin = transgression of law, so law must still be binding. Love is defined in terms of God's law: Matt. 22:40, Rom. 13:10, 1 Jn. 5:2-3. Jesus and apostles both appeal to God's law as the basis of their teaching.

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