THE LAW OF THE SEVENTH YEAR By: Fountain Hendricks

Deuteronomy 15:12-18

The number seven in the Bible represents something being completed and finished. Unfortunately, most people are unaware of how this law impacts their life. When you do not understand how the law of the seventh year works you will **INHERIT** trouble. Please keep this in mind. God blesses us in seasons.

HERE'S WHAT I MEAN:

Ecclesiastes 3:1

Ecclesiastes 3:1 says, "There is a time for everything, and everything on earth has its special season." Learning how to identify different seasons will help you understand how to navigate throughout life. Each season of your life is determined by the decisions you make. The law of the seventh year is **ACTIVATED** when you make decisions that **LEAD YOU INTO BONDAGE**.

WHAT IS THE LAW OF THE SEVENTH YEAR? (IN THE SEVENTH YEAR WHATEVER HAS YOU IN BONDAGE MUST END.)

If you **DECIDE** to enter an agreement that puts you in any type of bondage, the grace of things going well for you will cease after the sixth year. Remember seven is the number of **COMPLETION**. The grace to be blessed in bondage will **END** in the seventh year. If you finance a car longer than seven years, bad things will begin to happen.

If you have an outstanding debt with a credit card company past seven years bad things will begin to happen. If you work a job under the **SAME** leadership past seven years bad things will begin to happen. The bad things that will occur may not be directly caused by you. However, they will occur because the grace of the bondage has ran its course.

God's grace is His favor. His favor covers you in the midst of oppression. His favor comforts you in the drudgery of slavery. His favor allows people to be kind to you when you owe them money. His favor allows people to be patient with you when you are indebted to them. His favor makes your burdens light. When God's grace runs its course you will feel the pain of the bondage you initially accepted.

HONOR THIS KINGDOM LAW

Deuteronomy 15:12-18

Whether you realize it or not the comfort of bondage has an end date. Deuteronomy 15:12 says, "If one of your own people sells himself to you as a slave, whether it is a Hebrew man or woman, that person will serve you for six years. But in the SEVENTH year you must let the slave go free." Do you realize how many people sell themselves as a slave?

When you **FINANCE** a car you sell yourself as a slave to the finance company. When you get a job you sell yourself as a slave to your employer. When you apply for a school loan you sell yourself as a slave to the bank. When you apply for a personal loan you sell yourself as a slave to the lender.

Whatever date you sell yourself as a slave is the moment you **ACTIVATE** the law of the seventh year. When you choose to enter bondage God will give you six years of favor while you are in bondage. In the seventh year you are commanded to withdraw yourself from the bondage. If you do not remove yourself from their captivity, they are commanded to free you.

If a person **REFUSES** to leave the bondage of their slave master, God's grace will leave and things will become very difficult. Deuteronomy 15:16-17 says, "*But if your slave says to you "I don't want to leave you," because he loves you and your family and had a good life with you, STICK AN AWL through his ear into the door; he will be your slave for life. Also do this to a female slave."* If you stay in bondage **AFTER** the seventh year God will make things difficult for you. The comfort you enjoyed will turn into misery you will have to endure. Read the scripture very closely. While the slave was in bondage for six years life was good. There was no problems. However, the slave was **IGNORANT** to the law of the seventh year. The slave thought the good times would last forever.

He failed to realize that the **SEVENTH** year was the year of the turnaround. When a slave refuses to honor the law of the seventh year bad things will happen according to the scripture. If a slave refuses to leave their slave master in the seventh year the slave master was **AUTHORIZED** to stick an awl through his ear.

An awl is a pointed instrument for piercing small holes in leather or wood. If someone sticks an awl in your ear it will be extremely painful and damaging to your hearing. If you stay in bondage whether financially, emotionally, spiritually or relationally **PASS** the allotted time of God's grace bad things will begin to occur. For example, the people who once smiled at you will be trying to destroy you. The place that gave you peace will bring your trouble. The job that loved you will end up becoming the job you hate. **THE ONLY TIME GOOD THINGS COME TO AN END IS WHEN YOU RECEIVE THEM IN BONDAGE**. Honor the law of the seventh year. It will save you from experiencing unnecessary hardships.

GOD REMOVES HIS GRACE IN THE SEVENTH YEAR OF BONDAGE!!!

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