

FREEDOM FROM THE LAW'S ENSLAVEMENT  
Romans 7:1-6

I. AN EXAMPLE OF FREEDOM FROM THE LAW (vv. 1-3)

A. The Principle of Obligation Stated (v. 1)—*the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives...*

B. The Path of Liberation Shown (vv. 2-3)—*But if her husband dies, she is free from that law...*

II. THE EXPLANATION OF FREEDOM FROM THE LAW (v. 4)

A. The Means of Breaking from the Law—*you have died to the law through the body of Christ...*

B. The Results of Becoming Bound to the Lord

1. Freedom from the First “Marriage”—*so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead...*

2. Freedom for a Fruitful Life—*in order that we may bear fruit for God.*

III. THE EFFECT OF FREEDOM FROM THE LAW (vv. 5-6)

A. Reminder of Our Former Slavery (v. 5)—*For while we were in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death.*

B. Revelation of Our New Service (v. 6)—*we serve in the new way of the Spirit...*