

# **Bible Study Skills: Law & Gospel**

- **Chocolate Chip Cookies**
  - **2 ½ cups all purpose flour**
  - **1 tsp baking powder**
  - **1 tsp salt**
  - **1 cup butter – softened**
  - **¾ cup white sugar**
  - **1 tsp vanilla extract**
  - **2 eggs**
  - **2 cups chocolate chips**



**450 degrees for 9-11 minutes**



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- It's more than the little details
- Remember the big picture
- God's Word
  - Most important teachings?
    - LAW
    - GOSPEL



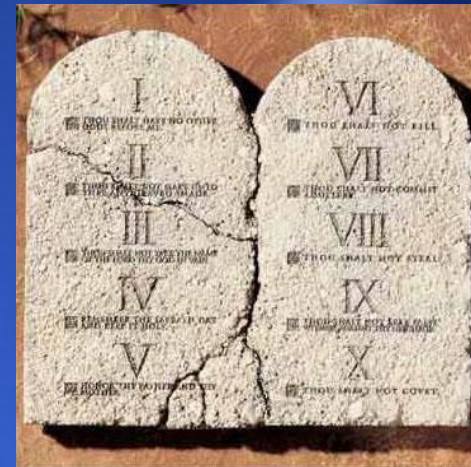
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- **AIM: How are we to handle statements of Law and Gospel in the Bible?**

- **Law**

- **Forbids**
- **Commands**

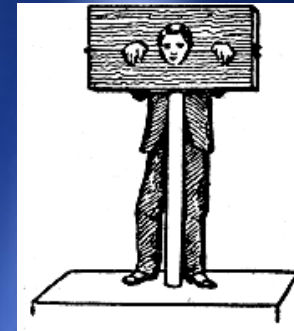
- **Ten Commandments**



- **POINT 1a: The law tells us how we must live to satisfy God.**

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- **How does government get people to obey laws?**
  - Fines
  - Prison Terms
  - Threats
- **Joshua 23:16 God's Threats**
- **POINT 1b: In the Law, God threatens, accuses, condemns, and punishes sinners.**



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- **The Gospel**
  - **“Good News”**
  - **Romans 1:16,17**
    - **Salvation for all who believe**
    - **Righteousness from God**
- **Work of the Law: Mankind**
- **Work of the Gospel: God**
- **POINT 1c: The Gospel tells us what God does to help us; in the Gospel God loves, forgives, blesses and saves sinners.**

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- **Examining Law and Gospel**
  - **Joshua 24:19**
    - **God does not forgive – LAW**
  - **Psalm 103:2,3**
    - **God forgives – GOSPEL**
    - **I John 2:2**
- **Contradiction?**
- **POINT 2: Although Law & Gospel seem contradictory, we believe both are true without twisting either one.**

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- **How can both be true?**
  - **Christ on the cross**
    - **God's just anger and justice – LAW**
    - **Our sins on Christ – GOSPEL**
  - **Which is closer to God's heart?**
    - **God gives the Gospel the last word**
- **POINT 3: Listen to the Law as a true warning about sin and punishment, but always let the Gospel have the last word to replace Law-fears with Gospel-faith.**



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- **An Example**
  - **Romans 13:7**
    - **Obey the government**
    - **Law**
    - **Elisha – 2 Kings 2:24**
  - **I John 1:7**
    - **Purified from all sin**
    - **Gospel**

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- **Review:**

- **POINT 1: Law tells us we must live to satisfy God; Gospel tells us what God does to help us.**
- **POINT 2: Although Law & Gospel seem contradictory, we believe both are true without twisting either one.**
- **POINT 3: Listen to the Law as a true warning about sin and punishment, but always let the Gospel have the last word to replace Law-fears with Gospel-faith.**