5a ROMANS. VII.   
   
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 be married to another man.   
 another man. 4So then, my bre- 4 Wherefore, my brethren,   
 thren, ye also were made ‘dead to ye also are become dead   
 si the law through the body of Christ ; to the law by the body of   
 that ye might be joined to another, Christ ; that ye should be   
 even to him who was raised from married to another, even to   
 the dead, to the intent that we should him who is raised from the   
 dead, that we should bring   
 aJobn 238d bring forth fruit unto God. 5 For | forth fruit unto God. § For   
 when we were in the flesh, the stir- when we were in the flesh,   
 rings of sins, which were through the the motions of sins, which   
 ech.vii3, Jaw, were active in our members were by the law, did work   
 fer-vi.31, so as to ‘bring forth fruit unto death. in our members to bring   
 \forth fruit unto death.   
 Santis. But now we ne been loosed from |yrom’ now we are that being   
   
   
 kernel and intent of the similitude. If it 5, 6.] In the fleshly state (before we   
 be required here to apply the example died with Christ) sinful passions which   
 further, there is no diffieulty inconsis- were by the law worked in us and brought   
 tency in saying (as Chrysostom does) that forth fruit to death : but now that we are   
 our first Husband was the Law, and our dead tothe law, we are no longer servants in   
 second is Christ ; but then it be care- the oldness of the letter, in the newness   
 fully borne in mind, that we are freed, not of the spirit.—The Law (ch. v. 20, alluded   
 by the law having died to us, (which matter to again vi. 14) was the multiplier of sin.   
 here is not treated,) but by our having To this thought, and the inferences from   
 died to the law. 4.) So then (iufer- it, the Apostle now recurs, and contrasts   
 ence both from ver. 1, the general fact, the state under the law in this respect,   
 and vy. 2, 3, the example), my brethren, with that of the believer in Christ. For   
 ye also (as well as the woman in my when we were in the flesh (i.e., virtually   
 exnmple, who is dead to the law of her “under the law:” see the antithesis in   
 husband) were made dead (or, slain) to ver. 6; some take it to mean in the mere   
 the law (crucified, see Gal. ii. 19, 20. fleshly state, which the Spirit is not yet   
 The more violent word is used instead of energizing; i.e., the state of unregeue-   
 “ye died,” to reeall the violent death of rate. But ow does in the flesh denote   
 Christ, in which, and after the manner of “under the law?’ Some say, on account   
 which, believers have been put to death to of its carnality ; some on account of the   
 the law and sin,—and the past tense (not power of sin under the law. Best of all is   
 “are become,” as A. V.), to remind them it to understand it, as pointing to the   
 of the great Event by which this was period before death with Christ, in which   
 brought about) through (by means of) the we were sensual and sinful: so that to   
 (crucified) body (compare the expression be in the flesh forms a contrast with   
 “through the offering of the body of Jesus to be put to death, made dead), the   
 Christ,” Heb. x. 10) of Christ; that you stirrings of sins which were through   
 might be joined to another, (even) to him the law (the incitements,—not the sins,   
 who was raised from the dead (alluding in this place, though ultimately it was   
 both to the comparison in verses 2, 3, and so,—the incitements leading to the sin,   
 to ch. vi. 4, 5), to the intent that we treated of. The full meaning must be   
 should bring forth fruit (alluding to ch. kept, ‘which were by means of the law:   
 vi, 22, and at the same time [Luke i, 42] i.e. the law occasioned them) were active   
 carrying on the similitude of marriage. (energized) in our members (the iustru-   
 Not that this latter must be pressed, for ments of sin, ch. vi. 13) so as to bring   
 there is only an allusion to it: nor on the forth fruit unto death (only a verbal anti-   
 other hand need the least objection .be thesis to the words “nto God :”—<‘ whose   
 raised to such an understanding of the end was death’). 6.] But now (op-   
 words, as any one conversant with St. posed to the time spoken of in yer. 5) we   
 Paul’s way of speaking on this subject will have been loosed (annulled) from the law,   
 at once feel: comp. 2 Cor. xi. 2; Eph. v. having died unto that wherein we were   
 30-—32) unto the bonour of God, held (the rendering of the A. V., “that