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What is the law exactly? The bible references the law a number of times throughout. In the New Testament, we find the following:

What shall we say then? Is the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet.¹

Thou shalt not covet² is one of the ten commandments. It can't be talking about the Law of Moses then, can it? The Law of Moses was done away and we still follow the ten commandments today.

Then we find in Galations:

Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.³

We are not justified by the law or by works of the law, but by the grace of Jesus Christ.

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¹ Romans 7:7

² Ex 20:17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

³ Galations 2:16