

Paul and Torah – 4 Views

		Second Temple Judaism	Paul's Critique of Judaism	'righteousness'	'works of the law'	Problem with 'works of the law'
New Perspective	Lutheran (Käsemann)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> try to earn righteousness anxiety re. salvation 	uses law to earn salvation	A "not-guilty" verdict re. sin	Obedient acts intended as the basis for gaining righteousness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attempt to obey is idolatrous law never intended as way to righteousness
	Reformed (C. Cranfield T. R. Schreiner)					
	Moderate Traditional (M. A. Seifrid S. Gathercole F. Thielmann S. Westerholm)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> enter by grace obedience a necessary response forgiveness available <i>if repent</i> obedience defines final fate 'sinners' defined very closely 	must be re-thought in light of Christ	A "not-guilty" verdict re. sin	Obedient acts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sufficient obedience is impossible for fallen human individuals Obedience fine in principle
	J. D. G. Dunn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> enter by grace obedience a necessary response forgiveness available only 'sinners' excluded 	none	Good standing in the covenant	Obedient acts intended as boundary markers for God's people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ethnocentrism corrupts universal mission which was law's purpose
	N. T. Wright				Obedient acts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sufficient obedience is impossible for Israel as a nation nationalistic motives corrupt universal mission which was law's purpose

		Role of Torah in Life	Ultimate Purpose for Torah	'Salvation by faith'
	Lutheran (Käsemann)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • need not obey law • "fulfill" the law via love • general witness to God's moral will? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • show human impotence and guilt • push toward faith 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core of Paul's message
	Reformed (C. Cranfield T. R. Schreiner)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • obey "moral" law in response to Christ ("3rd use" of law) 		
	Moderate Traditional (M. A. Seifrid S. Gathercole F. Thielmann S. Westerholm)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • need not obey law • "fulfill" the law via love • general witness to God's moral will? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • restrain sin in Israel • make sin obvious • lead to faith in Christ? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A realization growing out of appeal for Gentile inclusion
New Perspective	J. D. G. Dunn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • obey law as re-interpreted by Jesus (excluding cultic/boundary marking requirements) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • restrain sin in Israel • make sin obvious 	
	N. T. Wright	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • need not obey law ??? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Israel's guide in restoring humanity (failed) • ??? 	