

A landscape photograph of a mountain range, heavily tinted with a blue color. The mountains are layered, with the foreground being the darkest and the background being the lightest. The sky is a clear, light blue. The text "TEMPORARY THINGS" is centered in the middle of the image in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

TEMPORARY THINGS

II Corinthians 4:16-5:1

Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.

For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison,

While we look not at things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The background of the slide is a blue-tinted photograph of a mountainous landscape. The hills and mountains are layered, creating a sense of depth. The sky is a clear, light blue, and the overall tone is serene and contemplative.

**There are some things in the Bible which
God never intended for them to last
forever.**

**A failure to realize this has caused a lot of
misunderstanding.**

**Tonight let's look at some of these
temporary things.**



**God Never Intended For The Law Of Moses
To Be Permanent.**

Matthew 5:17

**Do not think that I came to abolish the
Law or the Prophets, I did not come to
abolish but to fulfill.**

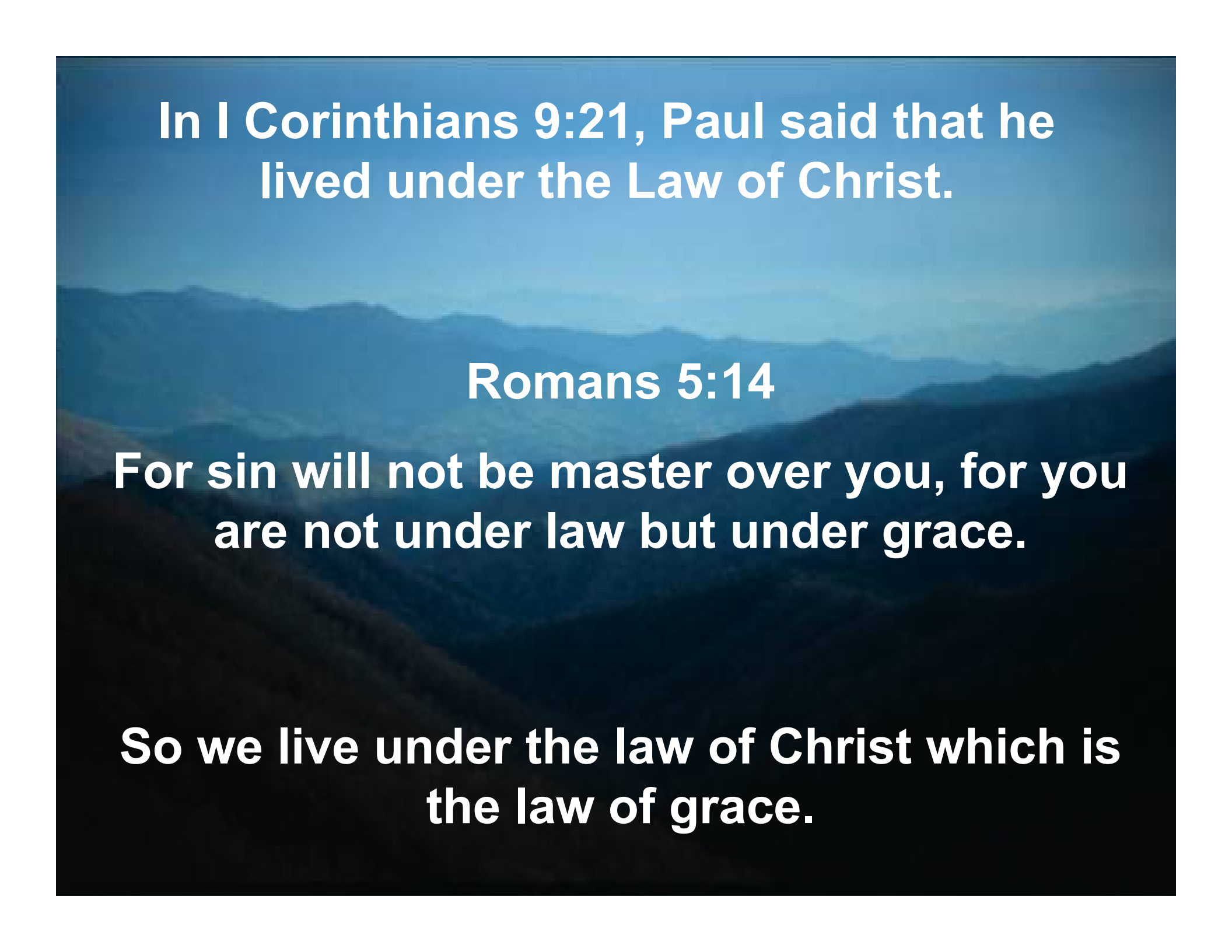
Hebrews 10:9-10

Then He said, “Behold, I have come to do Your will.” He takes away the first in order to establish the second.

By this will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Romans 7:4

Therefore, my brethren, you were also made to die to the Law through the body of Christ, so that you might be joined to another, to Him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit for God.



**In I Corinthians 9:21, Paul said that he
lived under the Law of Christ.**

Romans 5:14

**For sin will not be master over you, for you
are not under law but under grace.**

**So we live under the law of Christ which is
the law of grace.**

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The Spiritual Gifts Given To The First Century Christians Were Temporary.

Spiritual Gifts could only be given to someone by an apostle.

Acts 8:14-17

Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent them Peter and John,

Who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit.

For He had not fallen on any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Then they began laying their hands on them, and they were receiving the Holy Spirit.

Since we have no living apostles today, we have no one who can bestow spiritual gifts to anyone.

The purpose for receiving spiritual gifts is gone.

Mark 16:20

And they went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them, and confirmed the word by the signs that followed.

**Spiritual gifts ceased to be operative when
the perfect law of liberty – the gospel of
Christ came into existence in written form.**

I Corinthians 13:8-10

**Love never fails; but if there are gifts of
prophecy, they will be done away; if there are
tongues, they will cease, if there is knowledge, it
will be done away.**

**For we know in part and we prophesy in part;
But when the perfect comes, the partial will be
done away.**

James 1:25

But one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty and perseveres, being no hearer that forgets but a doer that acts, he shall be blessed in his doing.

Spiritual gifts were only temporary. They lasted only till the word of God (the perfect law of liberty) was confirmed in written form.



The Reign Of Christ Is Temporary.

**God never intended for Christ to reign
forever.**

**Christ is reigning now and until the end of
time.**

I Corinthians 15:23-28

Then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power.

For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet.

The last enemy that will be abolished is death.

For He has put all things in subjection under His feet. But when He says, “All things are put in subjection,” it is evident that He is expected who put all things in subjection to Him.

When all things are subjected to Him, then the Son Himself also will be subjected to the One who subjected all things to Him, so that God may all in all.

There will be no such thing as an earthly reign when Christ returns, for it is then when He will give up His reign – not begin it.



The Earth Is Only Temporary.

The earth will be burned up.

II Peter 3:10

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.



**The hope of God's people is laid up in
heaven.**

Colossians 3:1-2

**Therefore if you have been raised up with
Christ, keep seeking the things above,
where Christ is, seated at the right hand of
God.**

**Set your mind on the things above, not on
the things that are on earth.**

1 Peter 1:3-4

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

To obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you.

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Hades Is Temporary

Hades is the realm of departed spirits.

**This is where the rich man ended up in
Luke 16:23**

**And being in torment in Hades, he lifted up
his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and
Lazarus in his bosom.**

Hades will come to an end at the judgment.

Revelation 20:12-14

And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and the books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

The sea gave up the dead who were in it. Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.

Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

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Man's Life Here On Earth Is Temporary.

Man is only here on this earth for a brief period of time.

I Peter 1:24

All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, and its flower falls away.

Job 14:1-2

**Man who is born of woman is of few days
and full of trouble.**

**He comes forth like a flower and fades
away; He flees like a shadow and does not
continue.**

James 4:14

**Whereas you do not know what will
happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It
is even a vapor that appears for a little
time and then vanishes away.**

Psalms 103:15-16

As for man, his days are like grass; as a flower of the field, so he flourishes.

For the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more.

Ecclesiastes 9:5

For the living know they will die; but the dead know nothing, and they have no reward, for the memory of them is forgotten.



Psalms 90:9-10

**For all our days have passed away in Your
wrath; We finish our years like a sigh.**

**The days of our lives are seventy years;
and if by reason of strength they are eighty
years, yet their boast is only labor and
sorrow; for it is soon cut off and we fly
away.**

Romans 5:12

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned.

Yes, man's life here on this earth is only temporary and death is certain, and then comes judgment.

Hebrews 9:27

And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this comes judgment.

A blue-tinted landscape of mountains and valleys. The text "ARE YOU READY FOR THE JUDGMENT?" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font.

**ARE YOU READY FOR THE
JUDGMENT?**



**Since We Are Aware Of
Temporary Things, Let Us
Prepare For Eternal Things
By Obeying The Gospel.**



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