

Law & Grace

The Law.

Given by Moses.
Graven on stone.
The letter killeth.
The glory fadeth.
The veiled face.
Mt. Sinai and terrors.
Emphasis on works.
Life by doing.
Brings curse.
Commands but does not enable.
Leaves without excuse.
Knows no pardon.
Knowledge of sin.
Condemns.

Grace.

And truth by Jesus Christ.
Fleshly tablets of the heart.
The Spirit quickeneth.
The glory excelleth.
The unveiled face.
Mt. Sion and attractions.
Emphasis on faith.
Life by believing.
Brings blessings.
Enjoins and enables.
Supplies advocate.
Reconciles and atones.
Knowledge of God.
Redeems.
etc.

Similar contrasts are presented between the old and new, the former and latter things, the two Covenants, the present evil age and the age and the ages to come, etc.

A most instructive contrast is suggested when we set, side by side, John xvi:8-11, and Acts xxiv:25. In each case there is a three-fold conviction of sin, righteousness and judgment; in one case wrought by the Spirit and gospel of grace in a penitent sinner; in the other, by conscience and the terrors of the law in an unrepenting evil doer...

(Knowing the Scriptures: Rules and Methods of Bible Study by Arthur T. Pierson, Los Angeles, California: The Biola Book Room, 1910, 252)