

Lawlessness: Simply doing your own thing

Hebrews 1:8-9 (NKJV) – But to the Son *He says*: “Your throne, O God, *is* forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness *is* the scepter of Your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated **lawlessness**; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.”

Matthew 7:21-23 (NKJV) – “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice **lawlessness!**’

What I heard the Holy Spirit saying to me as I listened to John Kingsley Alley was that:

- Jesus was given a throne and dominion above all things because **He loved righteousness and hated wickedness** (*‘anomia’ = please refer to meanings provided below*).
- Jesus never operated independently of the Father or the Holy Spirit.
- Jesus was always in one accord with the Father and the Holy Spirit.
- Jesus would never let anybody manipulate Him to do anything outside the Father’s will (e.g. Lazarus dying, His mother Mary calling Him etc).
- Jesus was not a law unto Himself.
- Lawlessness doesn’t just mean doing evil or committing sins like adultery, lying, murder etc, but having a partial or complete disregard for God’s Law/Word and specifically His Will.
- Therefore, the sons of God must also operate (walk and act) in accordance with the Father’s, the Son’s & the Holy Spirit’s will and not their own will or the will of men.

Below is the link for John Kingsley Alley talking about being like Jesus the Son of God and not law unto ourselves.

Check out the video on YouTube:

<http://youtu.be/OCJzY0vWbt4>

Definitions

Here are some definitions on “**anomia**”.

➤ **Strong's Concordance**

anomia: lawlessness

Original Word: ἀνομία, ας, ἡ

Part of Speech: Noun, Feminine

Transliteration: anomia

Phonetic Spelling: (an-om-ee'-ah)

Short Definition: lawlessness, iniquity

Definition: lawlessness, iniquity, disobedience, wickedness, sin.

➤ **HELPS Word-studies**

458 *anomia* (from 1 /A "not" and 3551 /*nómos*, "law") – properly, without law;

lawlessness; the utter disregard for God's law (His written and living Word).

458 /*anomia* ("lawlessness") includes the *end-impact* of *law breaking* – i.e. its negative influence on a person's *soul* (*status* before God).

➤ **Thayer's Greek Lexicon**

[STRONGS NT 458: ἀνομία]

ἀνομία, ἀνομίας, ἡ (ἄνομος);

1. properly, the condition of one without law — either because ignorant of it, or because violating it.

2. contempt and violation of law, iniquity, wickedness: Hebrews 1:9 (not Tdf.) (Xenophon, mem. 1, 2, 24 ἀνομία μάλλον ἢ δικαιοσύνη χρώμενοι); and τοῦ ἡδικοσύνη and ὁ ἁγιασμός, Matthew 7:23; plural αἱ ἀνομίαι manifestations of disregard for law, iniquities, evil deeds: Romans 4:7 (Psalm 31:1 ()); Hebrews 8:12 (R G L); Hebrews 10:17. (In Greek writings from (Herodotus 1, 96) Thucydides down; often in the Sept.) (Synonym: cf. Trench, § lxvi.; Tittm. 1:48; Ellicott on Titus 2:14.)

➤ **Strong's Exhaustive Concordance**

iniquity, transgression, unrighteousness.

From anomos; illegality, i.e. Violation of law or (genitive case) wickedness -- iniquity, X transgress(-ion of) the law, unrighteousness.

➤ **Strong's Greek 458**

[15 Occurrences]

Matthew 7:23 N-AFS

GRK: ἐργαζόμενοι τὴν **ἀνομίαν**

NAS: FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE **LAWLESSNESS.**'

KJV: me, ye that work *iniquity*.

INT: work *lawlessness*

Hebrews 1:9 N-AFS

GRK: καὶ ἐμίσησας **ἀνομίαν** διὰ τοῦτο

NAS: AND HATED **LAWLESSNESS**; THEREFORE

KJV: and hated *iniquity*; therefore God,

INT: and did hate *lawlessness* because of this

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