### **James 2:10**

For whoever keeps the whole law yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it. (NIV)

For the person who keeps all of the laws except one is just as guilty as a person who has broken all of God's laws. (NLT)

If we seek to do right <u>motivated</u> <u>only</u> by our FEAR of doing wrong, we will soon realize that even our fear is not as great as our faults.

There is only one solution. Change motivation! LOVE changes the **INTENTION** of the heart.

# AFFECTION (helpfulness) vs. REJECTION (hostility)

Jesus... most important law? Love God totally and love neighbor truly.

(Mark 12:29-31)

Jesus... summary/zenith/basis of law? Love God totally and love neighbor truly. (Matthew 22:37-40) Jesus... ONE <u>positive</u> commitment can replace ALL <u>prohibitions</u>, because a <u>heart</u> of <u>righteousness</u> is superior to a <u>list</u> of <u>rules</u>!

## WHY does new technology make old technology obsolete?

- Fixes the <u>same problem</u>, i.e. addresses the same issue
- More <u>efficient</u>
- More <u>user friendly</u>

# SO IT IS with the <u>law</u> of <u>limitations</u> vs. the <u>law</u> of <u>love</u>

When we live by the "love law," we live to bless people.

When we live to bless people, we get blessed ourselves!

#### vs. 12-13

Freedom does not <u>terminate</u> judgment. Rather, it <u>transfers</u> judgment onto yourself. You set the terms for your own judgment when you choose them for others.

By exercising your "freedom" to be merciful, you are choosing mercy for yourself. Thus "mercy triumphs over judgment."