

There Is One Lawgiver
James 4: 12

Jesus is King, Christ and Head over his church. The authority to *fill all in all* belongs to him. (Eph 1: 22, 23; Deut 32:39) God the Father has committed all judgment unto the Son (John 5:22). God in Christ is he who alone is able to give his law in the heart (Hebrews 8:10). But that means that our brethren are under the control of Christ our Head more effectually than the members of our own body are under the power of our head. When a brother stumbles, remember that he is Christ's servant, "to his own master he standeth, to his own master he falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand." (Romans 14:4) If we walk after the Spirit we will not fulfill the lust to bite and devour but will rejoice that he whose law discovers the sin of our brethren is the Righteous One who also redeemed our brethren from its curse (Gal 3:13; 5:13-17). He says our brethren shall never be condemned, but have eternal life (John 5:24; Rom 6:10-14; 8:1, 2). O, brethren, rejoice that there is one who is able to give his law in the hearts of his people and constrain us with the law of life which the law of sin and death could never do.