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Sinai is a desert; a barren, desolate, inhospitable and largely lifeless place. How suitable that God should give the law in Sinai. It is the place of death and the killing letter. Here Moses received the Ten Commandments on two tables of stone.

Today travellers to Mount Sinai reach the summit along a steep track of 3,750 so-called steps of penitence between two towering walls of solid rock. It is a fitting reminder of how Moses' two tablets of stone have, by design, shut out the light of grace and weighed down the poor convicted soul. Making it, says Paul "the ministration of death".

How adamant the "killing letter" of the law has proved to be by its relentless condemnation and its barren, fruitless "yoke of bondage". There neither is, nor can be life or liberty for the Lord's spiritual people at Mount Sinai. Those who seek for life in Sinai's law are searching in "a wilderness, a dry land, and a desert".

"But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held". How comforted and blessed are those who come to Christ for life and liberty, cleansing and holiness. How satisfied and filled are those who know themselves to be "not under the law, but under grace".

The law our rule of life? Never! Sinai is the way of death. Christ is the way of life for the believer and "where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty". "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage."

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