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The relationship between **law** and **grace** in the Old Testament are the laws which represents the Torah was under the Mosaic Law of Moses. These laws are conceived in the earlier books of the Old Testaments of Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy covering the earlier time of mankind and the earth's formation written by Moses inspired by God. These books were written in the Hebrew language and known as the Hebrew Scripture in the Judaism Bible that became a part of the Christianity Bible.

The author of the Mosaic Law was Moses a leader chosen by God to lead his people from underneath the bondage of Pharaoh who also raised him from birth as a grandchild. After a law was passed to kill every male child to regulate the population of the Hebrew people and when this attempt failed, he ordered all the male babies to be cast into the river. When Moses was born, he was a beautiful baby, and his mother hid him for three months until she could no longer hide him. The mother had his sister put him in a basket and put him in the river and followed until someone found him which was Pharaoh's daughter and she raised him as her own. Moses had the agility of a warrior and the intelligence of a leader being raised in the family of the king. After he found out who he truly was he left and went with his birthright people. He already had the favor of God on him and that was used in the best of building him for his purpose.

After he freed his people from the grips of Pharaoh causing havoc on Egypt through the powers of God, he became the leader of the Hebrews. He led them to freedom with his

brother Aaron and his sister Miriam by his side. All the while of seeking and praying to God on what to do he was relaying what God has given him to the people. When Moses went up on mount Sinai God established the Laws with Moses for his people, later becoming the Mosaic Law for future generations. When he was to return from Mt Sinai, the Lord told Moses his people had corrupted themselves. God wanted to put his wrath on the people, but only because Moses pleaded with the Lord to not to endure his wrath upon them and Lord spared them. This was another sign of grace in the Old Testament. Rather than destroying them the Lord allowed them to stay in place until each one of them had died and were not allowed to enter into the promise land.

**Law** established in the book of Genesis when God gave Adam specific instruction about eating from the tree of life. This order was given directly to Adam prior to the creation of his wife, Eve, and down the line Eve convinced Adam to eat from this tree. The law was broken after Adam ate. Eve ate first and then gave to her husband and they realized they were naked and hid in the garden when God sought to fellowship with Adam.

**Grace** in the Old Testament was established at the beginning of time when the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit say "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea etc." (**Genesis 1:26**) Grace opened during the opportunity for Adam and Eve when they broke God's Law of eating from a specific tree that he told them not to eat from. To me this first exemplified the grace of God from the beginning of mankind. Another time I remember reading about grace is with the story Noah of how God sustained him and his family from being destroyed as he destroyed mankind for his rebellious

ways. Therefore, as all were abolished because of their sinful ways, God sought to rebuild mankind again.

In conclusion the relationship between **law** and **grace** in the Old Testament are that one cannot exist without the other. Grace gives permission to get it right and the law is black and white and precise with no room for error. Not saying that sin is acceptable to God, however, because of grace it gives us room for error or to make mistakes. Although God wants us to live in righteousness, the law gives us guideline, or an outline of his intentions keep order for the people to not break the rules that been established.