

LOVE IS THE LAW

1974. The music comes from an album by British folk-rock group Steeleye Span, and is the music for a traditional song called "Copshawholme Fair". Living by the Spirit of God should look and feel markedly different from living by the law. More on that elsewhere.

1. Spring follows winter, as sun follows rain;
with thunder comes lightning,
it's always the same.
The world keeps on rolling
through day, month and year;
the sun needs no telling that daybreak is here.

2. O how I would like to be just like the sun,
O how I would like to know what must be done.
It's always a struggle between right and wrong.
I need you, Lord Jesus, to guide me along.

3. The promise was made
through your prophet, that we
would live by your spirit, that we would be free:
laws would be written on paper no more –
our hearts are the paper and love is the law.

4. "My Spirit I leave you, although I must go,
my Spirit I leave you, my peace you will know.
Love one another as I have loved you.
This I have told you, this you must do."

5. We thank you, our Father, for freedom to slip,
for freedom to stumble, for freedom to trip;
Christ is our helper, to him I will cling.
Love is the song he has taught us to sing.

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