

Welcome to Genesis The Church!



Paul's Epistle to the Galatians!

The Text:

Galatians 4:1-11!

The Title:

No Longer a Slave! Now a Son!

The Theme:

God's Gospel of Grace!

Last Week's Sermon Outline:

Choosing Between Christ and the Law! Paul Builds on the Question Asked in 3:19!

I. (3:23-24) The Law: Places Us Under The Bondage of Sin!

A. (v.23) The law treats us as prisoners.

B. (v.24) The law treats us as children.

II. (3:25-29) The Lord: Delivers Us From The Bondage of Sin!

A. (v.25) The believer is no longer in need of a tutor.

B. (v.26) The believer has become one of God's sons.

C. (v.27) The believer is now identified with Christ Jesus.

D. (v.28) The believer's barriers have been removed.

E. (v.29) The believer is an heir of the God's promises.

This Week's Sermon Outline:

In the verses before us Paul focuses on God's intention or purpose in giving the Law!

- I. (4:1-3) **God's COMMANDMENTS**: Prepared us for Sonship!
- II. (4:4-6) **God's COMPASSION**: Provides our Sonship!
- III. (4:7) **Paul's CONCLUSION**: Proclaims our Sonship!
- IV. (4:8-11) **Paul's CONFUSION**: Ponders the rejection of Sonship!

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“It is for freedom that Christ set you free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery” (5:1)

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“For you were called to freedom brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole Law is fulfilled in one statement, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’” (5:13-14)

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“But if you bite and devour one another, take care lest you be consumed by one another. But I say, walk by the Spirit and you will not carry out the desires of the flesh.” (5:15-16)