

## The Book of Galatians – After Paul’s 1<sup>st</sup> Missionary Journey

### Review – Take Aways

Written right after Jerusalem Council

Judaizers had been teaching Law and also attacking Paul’s authority

Faith vs Law - Faith justifies

Promised blessing thru Abraham was by Faith to All nations, not by Law to Israel

3:15 Promise was unconditional

3:17-18 Blessing of Salvation not founded in the Law, but promised << Faith

### Part I. Relation between Law and Salvation (EO Ch 3 – Start Ch4)

#### **3:19-24 Law required due to sinful nature of mankind, to be governed and trained in Righteousness**

v 19 Agency of a Mediator – first Moses, then the Priesthood

v 20 Not one party only – unconditional, but two parties – conditional

v 21-22 Law established the need

(Salvation was still (unchanged) apart from the Law which was not for Salvation –

Abraham’s righteousness came from Faith in Jehovah (The Great “I AM”))

vs 23 “Before Faith” = before the object of our faith was manifest – obviously there was not time which was actually before faith.

v 24

#### **A Tutor:**

613 commands to model righteous behavior

**To point:** perfect compliance impossible –holy reveals unholy = crooked next to straight

A system of worship which taught prayer and thanksgiving

Tabernacle/Temple/Priestly Garbs demonstrated the holiness and majesty of God

A theocratic government demonstrating guidance of the Living God

**To point:** A sacrificial system which taught dire consequence for sin

Leading us to Christ? Tutor = Pedagogue – slave governing children/teens – so more an interim governor than a teacher supplying knowledge.

### Part II. Coming of Age

v 24-29 (read block)

v 25-26 Sonship

John 1:12-13 – the fact of sonship by receiving Christ

Ch 4:4-7 Jump ahead

v 27-28

Note: Baptism (“dip/dye”) as means of identification (see I Corinthians 10:1-4) think of our current practice, we dip them or they’re not identified as members of our local church.

v 27-28 These people were Matthew 28:18-20 baptized! (as are we!)

vs 29 kicker – because Jesus Christ IS promised Seed (3:16) Abraham >> Christ << Us!

**We get** A) Promised blessing of Salvation B) Divine adoption and inheritance!