

The Book of Galatians – After Paul’s 1st Missionary Journey

Review weeks one and two (One month since last meeting!)

Galatians Finishing Chapter Two, starting chapter Three

3:8-14 Righteous shall live by Faith

8-11 Righteous shall live by faith

3:10 see Deuteronomy 27-28; Blessings and Curses, esp. 27:26

3:11 see Habakkuk 2:4, context a few years before 1st deportation Judea to Babylon

3:12 see Leviticus 18:1-5 (Moses at Sinai), better Romans 10:4-5, 8-13

Romans 10:4-5, 8 see Deuteronomy 30:4-6, 8-14

Romans 10:9-11 see Isaiah 28:16 (“I lay in Zion, for a foundation, a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation,; he that believeth shall not make haste (idiom for being disturbed).

Romans 10:13 Joel 2:32 context is salvation of Israel at Armageddon.

3:13 see Deuteronomy 21:23 >> II Corinthians 5:21 (became sin for us)

3:15-18 Promises to Abraham (including blessing to all nations) made outside of Law

16 see Genesis 15, Genesis 22:17-18

Albert Barnes’ Notes on the New Testament

1. Seed included Messiah
2. Blessing not from all seed of Abraham (In Isaac Gen 19:21, In Jacob Gen 28:13-14)
3. Promise narrowed down starting with first 2 generations is going towards someone – must be the Messiah, the focus.

Therefore, seed generic is plural use, but the blessing is vested in the single descendant, Jesus Christ.

Remaining Problem: Based on Abraham, what about outside of Abraham?

[SKIP AHEAD to NEXT WEEK]

1. Though Abraham’s Seed (Jesus Christ) **ALL** nations were to be blessed.
2. Through Faith, we become sons of Christ (Gal 3:26, John 1:12-13)
3. If Jesus is the Seed of Abraham, and we are the sons of Jesus, then we have become descendants of Abraham (Gal 3:26-29)

Developed further in Galatians 3:18 thru chapter 4 (Next week)