

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

Review – Take Aways

Against Judaizers:

Salvation by Grace (promised blessing, not conditional = not merited)

Salvation by Faith (not of works) – Ephesians 2:8-9

Purpose of the Law a Theocratic Governor and a Tutor:

Righteous behavior, demonstrated the holiness and majesty of God

Chapter 4 into 5 – Freedom and Promise

Galatians 4:21-24

Allegory and Interpretation – Gnostic problem, distinction of a Type, allegorical comparison vs. relating multiple meanings of mystic interpretation. Paul does it, we should avoid it!

Start in Genesis 16, 17:15-22, 21:8-12

Work thru allegorical discussion

1. Part one: Not (by works of man) with a slave, but (by the miracle of God) with his wife
2. Part Two:
 - a. Hagar represents the system of Law, unblessed, not free
 - b. Sarah represents unmerited blessing of God, in freedom
3. Verse 27, so like to Sarah as to be intrinsic to the allegory
4. Part Three: Hagar cast out, so should the Law be.

Read 4:24-31 discuss thru...

Galatians 5:1

V 1 A burden the Jews were never able to bear..

V2-6 Not of circumcision, not of Law, but freedom in GRACE (unmerited gift)

V 4 “fallen from grace” means if you can’t be in both systems, under the

Law would not be under grace.

V6 “faith working through love”

Galatians 5:7-12

1. Because they WERE demanding circumcision of converts
2. Specific address to Judaizers

Galatians 5:13-15

1. Matthew 22:35-40
2. John 13:34-35

PREVIEW: 5:16-17