

THROUGH FAITH IN THE PROMISE

Galatians 3:1-29

Key Verse: 3:26

1. Why did Paul talk to the Galatian believers with such tough words? (1) In what way had the Galatians come to know Christ? (1b; Ac 13:38-39) What is the single point of Paul's five questions in verses 2-5? What is the big deception that Paul is talking about?
2. How did Abraham first meet God? (Ge 12:1-3) What was the central element of Abraham's belief? (6) What makes a person a child of God? (7-9) Is there any difference between a "son of Abraham" and a "child of God"?
3. Verses 10-12 show us that works of the law can never accomplish something for us. What is it? What does it mean to be cursed? How did Christ redeem us from the curse of the law? (13; 1Pe 1:18-19) How can we receive the same blessing as Abraham and what happens when we do? (14)
4. Why can't legal contracts be easily broken? (15) How was God's promise to Abraham fulfilled? (16; Jn 8:56) For what purpose did God add the law? (17-20) How do the law and promise work together? (21-22)
5. How was the law like a nanny to us? (23-25) Think about what a nanny can and cannot do for a growing young person. Think about the words "faith has come". How does Christ free us from the guardianship of the law?
6. What is our new identity in Christ, and what clothes do we get? (26-27; Col 3:12) How does our new identity in Christ bring true equality? (28-29) What is the difference between a child of promise and a self-righteous person in this passage?