

“THE ONE TRUE GOSPEL - Part 4” (Galatians 3:10-29)

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INTRO: Galatians is about the one true gospel - justification by faith, not by works (2:15-16). Under the new covenant (Heb. 8:6, 13) only people of faith are sons of Abraham (3:5-7) and inherit the blessings of Abraham (3:8-9).

I. THE CURSE OF THE LAW (3:10-13).

- A. Trying to obtain justification through the law brings a curse because no one can obey all the law (v. 10).
- B. Justification is by faith, not by the law (v. 11).
- C. The law is contrary to faith & requires perfection (v. 12).
- D. Christ redeemed us from this curse on the cross (v. 13).

II. THE ABRAHAMIC GENTILE BLESSINGS (3:14-18).

- A. Under the new covenant the blessings promised to Abraham come upon Gentiles who are in Christ (v. 14).
- B. The promises were made to Abraham and his Seed, and that Seed is Christ, not Jews (Gal. 3:16; Matt. 1:1; 5:17)!
- C. If we are Christ's then we are joint heirs with Christ of the promises made to Abraham (Gal. 3:29; 4:7; Rom. 8:16-17)!
- D. The law (430 years later) didn't annul the promises God made to Abraham and his Seed (Gal. 3:17-18).

III. THE PURPOSE OF THE LAW (3:19-25).

- A. The law was given to reveal sin & keep it in check (v. 19a).
- B. The law was no longer needed once Jesus came (v. 19b).
- C. The law wasn't against God's promises to Abraham (v. 21).
- D. The promise is for all who put their faith in Christ (v. 22).
- E. The law is like spiritual training wheels to transition people to faith in Christ (vv. 23-25). *“tutor”* – nanny.

IV. OUR POSITION AS SONS OF GOD (3:26-29).

- A. We're all sons of God through faith in Christ (v. 26)!
- B. At conversion, we're baptized into Christ, and we put on Christ (v. 27; Rom. 6:3-4; 1Cor. 12:13).
- C. We're all one in Christ Jesus, so there's no longer any distinction between Jews & Gentiles (v. 28; Rom. 10:12)!
- D. All who are Christ's are Abraham's seed and heirs to his promises (v. 29; Rom. 9:6-8)!
- E. This isn't antisemitism, but oneness in Christ (Gal. 2:6).