

The Incredible Freedom Given in Christ

The Law Gives Birth to New Life, Part 2 Galatians 3:23-29 Chris Mueller 12-18-2022

Introduction:

Option #1 Salvation by human achievement

Option #2 Salvation by divine accomplishment

Galatians 3:23 But before faith came, we were kept in custody under the law, being shut up to the faith which was later to be revealed. **24** Therefore the Law has become our tutor to lead us to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith. **25** But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. **26** For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. **27** For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. **28** There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. **29** And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise.

1. _____ when you weren't free under law

23 But before faith came, we were kept in custody under the law, being shut up to the faith which was later to be revealed.

Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death

PERSONALLY

Titus 3:3 For we also once were foolish ourselves, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another. **4** But when the kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared, **5** He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit,

NATIONALLY

2. Let the law _____ you to freedom in Christ by faith

24 Therefore the Law has become our tutor to lead us to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith.

3. Salvation by _____ provides you with freedom from the law

25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor.

Matthew 11:29 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. **30** "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.

1st Enjoy the freedom of being _____, not an enemy

26 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

John MacArthur Apart from saving faith in Jesus Christ, every human being is the enemy of God (Rom. 5:10), called "children of wrath" (Eph. 2:3) and like the *self-righteous Pharisees*, each and every unbeliever is a child of the devil (John 8:44). No one belongs to the Father who does not belong to the Son.

John 14:6 I am the way, and the truth, and the life, no one comes to the Father, but through Me.

John 1:12 As many as received Him He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name.

Galatians 4:6 And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!'

Romans 8:16 "the Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God"

Hebrews 4:16 to receive mercy and grace to help in time of need.

2nd Enjoy the freedom of being _____ in Christ and made to look like Christ

27 For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

1 Corinthians 6:17 The one who joins himself to the Lord is one spirit with Him

3rd Enjoy the freedom of _____ with all believers with no distinctions

28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

4th Enjoy the freedom of being given an _____, through Christ, in Abraham, because of salvation by grace

29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise.

Take Home:

A. Are you a member of the _____ ?

Ephesians 1:5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will,

B. Do you want to know the _____ ?

C. Are you embracing your _____ in Christ?

Hebrews 12:7b God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom his father does not discipline?

D. Do you live out our _____ in Christ?

Questions for Growth in Christ

1. Describe how the false teachers tempted the Galatians to go back to the law. How did they make it sound appealing?
2. How is the law a tutor to bring us to Christ in salvation? How did God use the law in the nation of Israel?
3. Why would a genuine Christian who is under grace want to return to the law in some measure?
4. What are the benefits of being made family by God through our salvation by grace through faith in Christ?
5. What does it look like practically for a Christian to be baptized and clothed in Christ?
6. Why is it that so many Christians do not enjoy the oneness with other Christians which Christ provides to His children?
7. What is it going to take for you to remember the incredible blessings that come with our salvation every single day?
8. What steps will you take this week in order to enjoy your freedom in Christ?
9. How will you pray for those who are enslaved to a false religion? How can you reach them with the gospel? What will you say to them?

