

Return to Liberty!

I. PERSONAL: PAUL DEFENDS HIS AUTHORITY AND ORIGINATION OF HIS GOSPEL (1-2)

II. DOCTRINAL: PAUL DEFENDS HIS GOD GIVEN MESSAGE – THE GOSPEL OF GRACE (3-4)

A. The proofs that the Gospel of Grace is true. (Gal 3:1-29)

B. The Position of sonship in Christ by grace. (Gal 4:1-11)

1. The Illustration – the son and the slave (4:1-2)

2. The Explanation - kept under the elements of the world. (4:3)

3. God's Solution – Jesus Christ (4:4)

4. God's Purpose – to redeem so that we could receive (4:5)

5. God's Conclusion – a son with His Spirit and an heir (4:6-7)

6. Reminder, Interrogation and Concern – returning to the basic elements (4:8-11)

a. Paul reminds the Galatians of their past _____ . (Gal 4:8)

*Paul describes the time of the past more specifically with the phrase “when you did not know God...”

know – oida

* What time is this in reference to?

*What was life like when they were in ignorant of God?

they “..._____ those which by nature are not gods.”

*Was this true of them? (Acts 14:11-13)

*What about you?

b. Then Paul reminds them of their _____ . (Gal 4:9a)

*What changed?

*This change is shown in the words...

1) They “have _____ God...” which is an aorist _____ participle

2) They “are _____ by God...” which is an aorist _____ participle
known – ginosko –

*What is the significant about this type of knowledge?

*What was the result?

Is this true of you?

c. Paul’s _____ concerning their lust to go back into bondage. (Gal 4:9b)

*This is seen in the phrase “...how is it that you turn again...”

you turn – epistrephó

*What did they turn to? (v9b)

the elements –

*How did Paul describe those things?

1) weak – asthenés.

2) beggarly - (pto-khos')

*What was the result?

*Can this be true of you?

d. They were enslaving themselves under _____ (Gal 4:10)

This is seen in the verb “you observe – paratéreo (par-at-ay-reh'-o)–

What did this entail?

e. Paul expresses his _____ for them. (Gal 4:11)