

GALATIANS

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Questions Answered

- Who wrote it? Paul
- Who was it written to? Galatian believers
- Where was it written from? Syrian Antioch
- When was it written? A.D. 49
- Why was it written? Counteract the Judaizers teaching sanctification by works



3 Phases of Salvation



- **Justification:** freedom from sin's penalty
- **Sanctification:** freedom from sin's power
- **Glorification:** freedom from sin's presence

Questions Answered



- What is inside? Autobiography, doctrine, application
- What is it about? Sanctification attained the same way as justification
- How does the book apply to daily life? How to be holy

Introduction (Gal 1:1-10)

- Greeting (Gal 1:1-2)
- Gospel (Gal 1:3-5)
- Denunciation (Gal 1:6-10)



Why Was It Written? Occasion

- Ad hominem attack against Paul
 - ◆ Acts 1:21-22
 - ◆ Apostleship (1 Cor 15:8-9)



Paul Defends His Apostleship (Gal 1:11—2:21)

- Independence (Gal 1:11-24)
- Interdependence (Gal 2:1-10)
- Rebuke of a lead apostle (Gal 2:11-21)



What is Inside? Structure

- 1–2: Autobiographical section
- 3–4: Doctrinal section
- 5–6: Practical section



Gal 3:1-5 Outline

- I. The charge (3:1)
- II. The questions (3:2-5)
 - ◆ A. How did you receive the Spirit? (2)
 - ◆ B. Are you now being perfected by the flesh? (3)
 - ◆ C. Have you suffered so much in vain? (4)
 - ◆ D. On what basis does God work miracles among you? (5)



Gal 3:6-9 Outline

- I. The pattern of Abraham (3:6)
- II. The progeny of Abraham (3:7)
- III. The purpose of Abraham (3:8)
- IV. The promise of Abraham (3:9)



Gal 3:10-25 Outline

- I. The Law's inability to justify (3:10-12)
- II. Christ redeemed us from the Law's curse (3:13-14)
- III. The Law does not nullify faith (3:15-18)
- IV. The purpose of the Law is to lead us to Christ (3:19-25)



The Privileges of Adulthood (3:26-29)

- 26-Sons of God
- 27-Baptism into Christ
- 28-One with other Christians
- 29-Children of Abraham



Gal 3–4 Overview

- 3: Doctrine explained
- 4: Doctrine illustrated



Gal 4 Overview

- 4: Doctrine illustrated
 - ◆ Domestic (1-11)
 - ◆ Personal (12-20)
 - ◆ Biblical (21-31)



Gal 4:1-11 Overview

- Law: preparation for sonship (1-3)
- Christ: source of sonship (4-5)
- Spirit: confirmation of sonship (6)
- Our new position: consummation of sonship (7)
- Hold fast: obligation of sonship (8-11)



Gal 4:12-20 Overview

- Paul's appeal (12a)
- Paul's remembrance (12b-16)
- Paul's warning (17-18)
- Paul's desire (19-20)



Paul's Appeal (4:12a)

- Become as I am (Philip 3:4-9)
- For I became as you are (1 Cor 9:19-22)



Paul's Remembrance (Gal 4:12b-16)

- 12b-14b, 15b-What they had done for Paul

- ◆ Did Paul no wrong (12b)
- ◆ Did not despise Paul despite his illness (13-14)
- ◆ Willingness to sacrifice for Paul (15b)



Paul's Remembrance (Gal 4:12b-16)

- 15a, 16-How their attitude had changed

- ◆ Change described (15a)



- ◆ Paul now their enemy (16)

Paul's Warning (4:17-18)

- Judaizers corrupt motives (17)

- ◆ True shepherd-Matt 9:36
- ◆ False shepherd-Ezek 34:1-10



- Paul approves of others with sincere motives ministering to the Galatians (18)

Paul's Desire (4:19-20)

- Paul's labor (19)



- Paul's wish (20)





Paul's Desire (4:19-20)

- Paul's labor (19)
- Paul's wish (20)

Gal 4:12-20 Review

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- Paul's remembrance (12b-16)
- Paul's warning (17-18)
- Paul's desire (19-20)


