

## Galatians 2020

### Outline- Lesson 1

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- I. Introduction (\*Gal 1:1-3; Eph 2:8)
  - a. Written by Paul under inspiration of God (II Tim 3:16)
  - b. Written to the churches in Galatia (to believers)
  - c. Written around AD 49
  - d. Written to correct error being taught by “Judaizers”
  
- II. Background information on Paul (Gal 1:13-24; Acts 22:1-21; Phil 3:4-7; Acts 9:1-30)
  - a. Like Paul, we have a race to run (II Tim 4:7; Heb 12:1-2)
  
- III. Jesus’ reason for coming to earth (Gal 1:4-5)
  - a. To give Himself for our sins in order to
  - b. To deliver us from this present evil world (Jn 12:31; Jn 14:30; II Cor 4:4; I Jn 5:19)

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Outline Lesson Two

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I. Background for understanding covenant

- a. Creation of man in image of God (\*Gen 1:26-28)
  - (1) Given dominion over the earth (Gen 1:26-28; Ps 115:16)
  - (2) Man is spirit, soul and body (I Thes 5:23; Phil 4:7; Heb 4:12)
  - (3) Crowned with glory (Ps 8:3-9)
- b. The temptation and fall of man (Gen 3:1-6)
- c. Results of the fall
  - (1) Death entered as a result of sin (Gen 3:19-21; Rom.5:12; Rom 6:23)
  - (2) Man became alienated from God and in bondage to Satan (Rom.6:16; Heb 2:14-15)
- d. God's plan for restoring man (I Pet. 1:18-20; II Tim 1:9-10)

II. Ritual of Blood Covenant

- a. Exchange of coats
- b. Exchange of belts
- c. Cutting of covenant by splitting animal and walking in a figure eight between the pieces
- d. Raising right arms, cutting palms and rubbing together blood\
- e. Exchange of names
- f. Sign of covenant- making a scar
- g. Reading of specific covenant terms

- h. Eating of a memorial meal
- i. Planting of a memorial tree sprinkled with blood of animal

### III. Abrahamic Covenant

- a. Terms of Abrahamic Covenant (Gen.12:1-3; 13:14-17; 15:1-18; 17:1-19)
  - (1) Abraham's part
    - A. Leave homeland and family and go to another land (12:1)
    - B. Walk before God and be blameless (Gen 17:1; Rom 5:13)
  - (2) God's part
    - A. Make of Abraham a great nation (Gen 12:2)
    - B. Bless him (Gen 12:2)
    - C. His name will be great (Gen 12:2)
    - D. Shall be a blessing (Gen 12:2)
    - E. Bless those who bless him and curse those who curse him (Gen 12:3)
    - F. In him shall all the families of the earth be blessed (Gen 12:3)
    - G. The land of Canaan for him and his descendants through Isaac and Jacob as an everlasting possession (Gen 12:5-7; Gen 13:14-17; Gen 15:18; 17:7-8; Gen 26:1-5; Gen 28:13-15)
- b. The ceremony (\*Gen.15:8-17)
- c. Jesus walks it out (\*Gen.15:17; Mat 17:2; Rev 1:14-15)
- d. Name exchange Gen (17:5; 17:15)
- e. Seal or sign of covenant (Gen. 17:10-11)
- f. God tests the covenant (\*Gen. 22:1-19; Jn 1:29; \*Heb.11:17-19)
- g. Way now open for God to offer His "only begotten son" (Heb.11:17; John 3:16)
- h. Because Abraham believed and obeyed, listed in God's "Faith Hall of Fame" (\*Hebrews 11:8-12; Heb 11:17-19)

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### Outline Lesson Three

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#### I. The Mosaic Covenant (The Law)

- a. Included 10 Commandments (Ex 20:1-17) plus other rules and regulations (729 in all) (Ex; Lev; Num; Deu)
- b. The purpose of the Law
  - (1) Defined sin (Rom 3:20)
  - (2) Caused everyone to be guilty (and therefore in need of a savior) (Rom 3:19-20; Jas 2:10)
  - (3) Terms of the Law (Deu 28-30)
- c. The sacrificial system and priesthood
  - (1) Priests role was as mediators between God and man (Lev 16)
  - (2) Continual sacrifices offered to cover sins (Heb 9:22)
  - (3) High Priest made sacrifice once a year on Day of Atonement for sins of the people (Lev 16; Heb 9:1-10)

#### II. The Arrival of Jesus

- a. The promised seed of Abraham (Gal 3:16)
- b. Born a Jew and lived under the law all His earthly life (4 Gospels)
- c. Perfectly kept and fulfilled the law (II Cor 5:21; I Pet 2:22; I Jn 3:5; Mat 5:17)

#### III. The New Covenant

- a. To be written on men's hearts (Jer 31:31-33; Heb 10:15-18)

- b. Contrasted with Old Covenant (Law) (Heb chpts 8-12)

#### IV. The Account of How New Covenant Was Made

- a. Passover meal (Mat 26:19; Mat 26: 26-29; I Cor 11:23-25)
- b. Brings followers with Him (\*Rom. 6:3-6; Eph 2:5-7)
- c. The crucial question (\*Mat 26:36-42; II Cor 5:18)
- d. Jesus' betrayal and arrest (Mat 26:47-56)
  - (1) Jesus operating totally voluntarily (Mat 26:52-54; Jn 10:17-18)
- e. The crucifixion (Mat 27:31-50; Mk 15:21-37; Lk 23:33-46; Jn 19:17-30)
- f. The sacrifice is made (Mat 27:45; II Co 5:21; \*Gal 3:13)
- g. The blood is applied (Mat 27:5-51; Heb 9:1-15; Heb 9:24-30)
- h. The seal of the New Covenant (II Cor 1:22; Eph 1:13-14)

#### V. The New Covenant

- a. The great "uneven exchange" (\*Gal 3:13-14; Deu 28; II Cor 5:21; Isa 53)
- b. Work of salvation complete (Jn 19:28-30)
  - (1) Jesus now the "bridge" back to God (Mat 27:50-51; II Co 5:18; Heb 9:1-15; 24-30)
  - (2) Holy Spirit resides in our hearts (Jn 14:16-17)
  - (3) Thru covenant all our needs met (Phil 4:19; \*II Pet 1:2-4)
- c. Entering into and Appropriating the New Covenant (Jn 3:1-21; Rom 10:9-10; Heb 6:12; Ro 1:17; Ro 3:28)

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### Outline Lesson Four

#### Chapter One (continued from lesson one)

- I. Occasion that prompted Paul to write
  - (a) Challenges presented by transition from Old Covenant to New Covenant
  - (b) Spiritual resistance to freedom in New Covenant (\*Eph.6:12; Lk 4:18; II Cor 11:26)
  
- II. Chapter One (Paul's Response to situation in Galatian churches)
  - (a) Vs 1-5 (See Lesson One Outline)
  - (b) Warning against following those who would pervert the gospel (vs 6-9; Rev 22:18-19)
    - 1. Applying today (II Tim 2:15; II Tim 3:16; Jn 14:17)
  - (c) Showing his willingness to please God rather than men (vs. 10)
    - 1. Applying today (Matt. 6:24; Eph 6:18-20; Jn 15:18-20; Matt.5:10-12)
  - (d) Explaining his knowledge as being by direct revelation from God (vs 11,12)
    - 1. Applying today (\*Eph. 1:15-17; \*I Cor. 2:9-16)
  - (e) Giving his testimony as proof of his true conversion (vs 13-24)
    - 1. Applying today (I Pet 3:15)
  
- III. Chapter Two
  - (a) Paul's account of trip to Jerusalem (vs 1-10)
  - (b) Paul addresses issue of false brethren (vs 4)
    - 1. Applying today (Jn 8:31-32; Acts 17:11)
  - (c) Paul challenges Peter (vs 11-14)
    - 1. Applying today (Mat 23:29-39; Ro 16:17-18)

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Outline Lesson Five

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- I. Main points: Galatians 2 (vs 15-20)
  - (a) Justification by faith (vs 15-16; Ro 3:19-31; Ro 4,5,6)
  - (b) Is grace a license to sin? (vs 17-18; Ro 6:1,2,15)
  - (c) Crucified with Christ and yet alive (vs 19-20; Ro 6:1-14; \*Phil 2:5-8; Rom 12:1)
  - (d) If righteousness by law, Christ's death in vain (vs 21; Mat 26:35-42)
  
- II. Main points: Galatians 3
  - (a) New Covenant's requirement of faith contrasted with Old Covenant's requirement of obedience to law (vs 1-4)
    - (1) Receiving of Holy Spirit by faith (Rom 10:9-10; Jo 3:1-21; Eph 1:13-14; Eph 3:16-19)
  - (b) Emphasizes that ministering and miracles done by faith under New Covenant (vs 5; Acts 3:12-16)
  - (c) Abraham given as example of righteousness received through faith (vs 6-9; Gen 15:6; Ro 4:3; Jas 2:23; Gen 12:3)
  - (d) Again, justification by faith contrasted to law (vs 10-16; Deu 27:26; Js 2:10)
  - (e) Shows that law did not cancel or disannul the Abrahamic Covenant (vs 17)
  - (f) Inheritance not of law, but by promise (vs 18)
  - (g) Purpose of law to bridge gap between Abrahamic Covenant and the fulfillment in Christ (vs 19; Mat 5:17)

- (h) Jesus as mediator (vs 19-20; I Tim 2:5)
- (i) Another purpose of law was to bring us to faith in Jesus (vs 21-26)
- (j) We are all one in Christ (vs 27-28)
  - (a) Outside of Christ, God still differentiates (I Cor 10:32)
- (k) We are Abraham's seed and heirs in Christ (vs 29)
  - (a) However, haven't replaced nation of Israel in God's plan (Ro 3:1-4; Eze 36-39; Zec 12:10; Zec 13:9)

### III. Review of Faith

- (a) What faith is (\*Heb 11:1; I Cor.13:13; Tit 2:13; II Cor.5:7)
- (b) Everyone has faith (\*Rom 12:3)
- (c) Faith appropriates what God has done (\*II Pet 1:1-4; Jer 1:12; II Cor 1:20)
- (d) Faith "comes" by hearing (Rom 10:17)
- (e) Faith activated by speaking (Gen 1; Pro 18:21; Mk 11:23)
- (f) Faith evidenced by action (Jas 2:20,26; Jas 1:22-25)
- (g) Importance of faith (Heb.11:6)
- (h) Faith has to be coupled with patience to inherit the promises of God (Heb. 6:12)
- (i) The good fight of faith (I Tim 6:12; Eph 6:16)
- (j) Faith works by love (Gal. 5:6; Jo 14:15)

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Outline Lesson Six

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- I. Paul contrasts servants and sons (Gal 4:1-7)
  - a. Servant
    - (1) Under bondage
    - (2) Performs for reward
  - b. Son
    - (1) Free
    - (2) Heir of inheritance (\*Rom.8:15-17; Eph 1:18)
      - (a) Future (I Pet 1:3-4; Rev 5:10; Rev 2:26-27; Rev. 21,22; I John 3:1-2, Phil 3:21; Rom 8:21-23)
      - (b) Present (Eph 1:11,13,14; II Pet 1:3,4)
- (a) Parable of Prodigal Son (\*Luke 15:1,2,11-32; I John 1:9; Isa 43:25; He 8:12)
- II. Paul's concern for the Galatians' change in attitude towards him and their falling back into legalism. (Gal 4:8-20)
- III. Paul gives allegory of Abraham's two sons to explain difference in OC and NC (Gal 4: 21-31)
  - (a) Ishmael (Genesis 16:1-16; 21:8-21)
    - (1) Son of bondwoman (Hagar, Sarah's Egyptian servant)
    - (2) Son "according to the flesh" (ie human effort)

- (3) Represents Mt. Sinai or earthly Jerusalem (The Law or Old covenant) Also legalism in any form.
- (4) Is in bondage
- (5) Will never inherit the full blessing of God
- (6) Will persecute those who are born after the Spirit

(b) Isaac (Genesis 21:1-5)

- (1) Son of freewoman (Sarah)
- (2) Son “according to the spirit” (supernaturally by promise)
- (3) Represents Heavenly Jerusalem (the New Covenant) Also the freedom that comes from God’s grace in the New Covenant.
- (4) Is free
- (5) Inherits the full blessing of God
- (6) Will be persecuted by those under law or legalism

IV Standing fast in the liberty of Christ (Gal 5:1; Isa 61:1;  
Lk 4:18)

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### **Outline Lesson Seven**

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#### Chapter Five

- I. Things Paul wants us to remember in New covenant (vs 1-14)
  - (a) Stand fast in liberty we have in Christ (vs 1) (Ephesians 6:11-12; John 8:31-32; Eph 6:17)
  - (b) Circumcision (legalism) negates work of Christ (vs 2-4) (James 2:10)
  - (c) God isn't interested in whether one is circumcised or not, what matters is faith, which works by love (vs 6)
  - (d) Don't use liberty in Christ as an excuse to sin (vs 13)
  - (e) Out of motive of love, serve one another (vs 13)
  - (f) All the law is fulfilled in love (vs 14)
- II. Holy Spirit's essential role in knowing God's love (\*I Cor 2:9-14; Jn 14:16-17; Jn 16:13)
  - (1) Indwelling of Holy Spirit is a gift (Lk 11:13)
  - (2) Indwelling of Holy Spirit identifies us as Christ's (Rom 8:9)
- III. Prayer for revelation of God's love (\*Eph 3:14-21)
  - (a) God's love shown through the love shown us by others (Jn 13:35)
  - (b) God's love shown to us through the Scriptures (I Jn 3:1; I Jn 3:16; Jn 3:16-17; \*I Jn 4:7-10; \*Rom 5:6-8; \*Phil 2:5-7; I Jn 4:19)
- IV. Love enables us to yield and obey God (Jn 14:15)
- V. Being Transformed (\*II Cor 3:13-18)
- VI. Words of Jesus bring life (Jn 6:63)

**Handout**  
**Lesson Seven**  
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Prayer taken from Ephesians 1:16-23 and 3:16-21

Please pray this prayer every day and put your name in it.

Eph 1:16-17

Dear Father God, we cease not to give thanks for ourselves and our brothers and sisters in Christ, that You, the God of our Lord Jesus Christ would give unto us the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of you.

Ephesians 3:16-21

(16) That You would grant us, according to the riches of Your glory, to be strengthened with might by Your Spirit in our inner man,

(17) That Christ may dwell in our hearts by faith; that we, being rooted and grounded in love,

(18) May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth and height;

(19) And to know your love, which passeth all understanding, that we might be filled with all the fulness of You.

(20) And now, Lord, unto You who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

(21) Unto You be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen”

Scriptures for study and meditation:

I John 3:1 Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew Him not.

I John 3:16

(16) Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us:

John 3:16-17

(16) For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

(17) For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world: but that the world through Him might be saved.”

1 John 4:7-10

(7) Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God; and everyone that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God,

(8) He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

(9) In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent His only begotten Son into the world that we might live through Him.

(10) Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Romans 5:6-8

(6) For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

(7) For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.

(8) But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Philippians 2:5-7

(5) Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

(6) Who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

(7) But made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

(8) And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

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Outline Lesson Eight

Chapter Five

- I. Flesh and Spirit contrasted (vs 16-26)
  - a. Man in three parts (I Thes 5:23)
    - (1) Spirit: Our inner man; has been redeemed (Jn 4:24; Jn 3:1-8)
    - (2) Soul : Our mind, emotions, intellect; in process of being redeemed (I Cor 13:12)
    - (3) Body: Our “earth suits” unredeemed now, will be redeemed at resurrection (Ro 8:22-23)
  - b. Struggle between our parts
    - (1) Spirit aligns with Holy Spirit who resides in believers
    - (2) Soul or mind aligns with either the flesh or the spirit of the believer depending upon the extent it has been renewed (Rom 12:2)
    - (3) Flesh aligns with the ways of the world and pulls believers away from the things of God (Ro 8:7)
  - c. Conflict of desires between our flesh and Holy Spirit (vs 17; Rom 7:18-25)
  - d. Spirit above law (vs 18; Gal 5:14; Rom 8:1-17)
  - e. Works of the flesh and fruit of the Spirit contrasted (vs 19-24)
    - (1) Works of flesh (vs 19-21; I Cor. 3:1-3)
    - (2) Fruit of the Spirit (vs 22-23; \*John 15:4-5)

Chapter Six

- I. Final instructions to churches in Galatia
  - a. Regarding correcting one another (vs 1)
  - b. Regarding bearing one another’s burdens (vs 2; John 13:34-35; I Cor 12:12-27; Ex. 17:8-12)

- c. Regarding the self- deception of pride (vs 3; Phil 2:3)
- d. More general instructions (vses 4-6)
- e. Regarding sowing and reaping (vses 7-10; Gen 1:11; II Cor 5:14)
- f. Personal comments (vses 11-14)
- g. Regarding being a new creation in Christ (vs 15; Gal 5:6; \*II Cor 5:17; I Cor 12:12-13)
- h. Closing comments (vses 16-18)