

Study: Galatians

Text: Galatians 3:23-29

“PAUL’S ARGUMENT BASED UPON LOGIC” (PART 2)

Key Verse: Galatians 3:22 But the Scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of **Jesus Christ** might be given to them that believe.

The Argument of Experience (v. 1-5)

The Argument of Scripture (v. 6-14)

The Argument of Logic (v. 15-29)

The superiority of the promise of faith (v. 15-18)

The inferiority of the demands of the law. (v. 19-22)

In the end Paul shows us the inferiority of the Law but yet its vital purpose is to bring us to a state of hopelessness in ourselves.

I. The Blessing of the _____ (v. 23-24)

A. The _____ of the Law (v. 23)

Every soul then is either a slave to God’s Law living in a state of condemnation or set free by Christ (John 3:17-19).

B. The _____ of the Law (v. 24)

The Law is like a mirror. It reveals sin but it cannot do anything to help remove sin.

Kenneth Wuest – The law was given in order that, by showing the sinner that sin was an actual transgression of God’s laws, he might see the necessity of faith in a substitutionary sacrifice for sin, and thus be led to put his trust in the Christ of prophecy who would in the future die for him.

II. The Blessings of _____ (v. 25-29)

A. Spiritual _____—Son’s of God (v. 26)

Romans 8:14-15 For as many as are led by the **Spirit of God**, they are the sons of **God**. ¹⁵ For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the **Spirit** of adoption, whereby we cry, “**Abba, Father.**”

B. Spirit Baptism—_____ (v. 27)

To “*have put on Christ*” speaks of our conduct or _____ as a Christian.

C. Spiritual _____—Union in Christ (v. 28)

Cf. Philippians 2:1-4

Romans 12:16 *Be of the same mind one toward another*. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits.

Romans 12:10 *Be kindly affectioned [natural family love] one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another [preferring honor for one another];*

Q: Am I seeking to live in harmony with my brothers and sisters in Christ?

D. Spiritual _____—Heirs with Christ (v. 29)

Cf. Ephesians 1:3-12

The Law brings us a sad, hopeless picture as it reveals to us our transgressions against a holy and righteous God thus deserving His judgment.

Ephesians 2:4 **BUT God, Who** is rich in mercy, for **His** great love wherewith **He** loved us,

As we are brought to this hopeless condition and our inability to save ourselves, let us see that God is more than enough—that He is sufficient both for our eternal life and our present life.

Q: Do you see your hopelessness without Christ?

What is my next step?

(*Put off*) What must I put off that is both hinder my walk with Christ or someone else’s?

(*Renew your mind*) What qualities or Words of Christ must I meditate upon?

(*Put on*) What qualities of Christ must I seek to have as a characteristic of my life?

What Is My Next Step?

Hearing — Giving *attention* to God's Word with the intent to obey it – James 1:21-25
Doing — Making *application* of God's Word to be more like Christ – Eph. 4:22-24

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1. What did God show **me** that **I** must confess and forsake because it does not reflect Christ and hurts **my** relationship with Him and others? (***Put OFF***)

2. What did God show **me** about Himself in this text? (***Renew***)
 - a. What is He like?
 - b. What does He like?
 - c. What does He dislike?

3. What does God say to me in this text? (***Renew***)
 - a. What command to obey?
 - b. What promise to claim?
 - c. What principle to apply (*If I do _____, then God will do _____*)?

 - d. What example to follow?

4. What verse(s) should **I** memorize and meditate upon through-out this week to help make **my** change lasting? (***Renew***)

5. In light of what I have heard from God,... (***Put ON***)
 - a. What character quality of Jesus must **I** demonstrate *with God's help* this week?
 - b. In what situations will **I** most likely be tempted not to respond in a Christ-like way?
 - c. How can **I** get ready for those situations? (*If I don't have a plan for change, it probably won't happen.*)

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