



# *Galatians*

## *In a Nutshell*

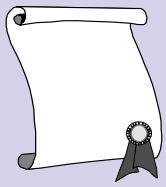
**A Six-Hour Overview of Galatians.  
To be used with associated audio  
lessons.**

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# GALATIANS

Magna Charta of our Faith

## A Roadmap for Galatians

**PERSONAL**

**CHAPTERS 1-2**

The Gospel is Authentic

...and Paul's apostleship is genuine.

Gal 1:1-24

The Gospel Is Genuine As To Its Origin 2.

Gal 2:1-21

The Gospel Is Genuine As To Its Nature 3.

- Paul's Apostleship 1-5
- Paul's Stand Against Apostates 6-12
- Paul's Former Position in Judaism 13-14
- Paul's New Position in Christ 15-24

**DOCTRINAL**

**CHAPTERS 3-4**

The Gospel is Superior

...Christ's grace is superior to Moses' law.

Gal 3:1-29

The Gospel Is Superior In The New Relationship It Creates 4.

Gal 4:1-31

The Gospel Is Superior In The Privileges It Offers 5.

- Communication by *Revelation* 1-2
- Contention Over *Circumcision* 3-10
- Confrontation on *Justification* 11-21
- The Preeminence of Faith 1-14
- The Preexistence of Faith 15-25
- The Preference of Faith 26-29

**PRACTICAL**

**CHAPTERS 5-6**

The Gospel Brings Freedom

...in Christ we find freedom to obey.

Gal 5:1-15

Christ's Love Ends Law - Bondage 6.

Gal 5:16 - 6:18

Christ's Love Ends Flesh - Bondage 7.

- As Children Under the Law 1-3
- As Adult Sons Under Christ 4-7
- The Foolishness of Reverting to Childhood 8-31
- Only In Christ Are We Free From the Law's Bondage 1-6
- The Sinfulness of Reverting to the Law 7-12
- Only in Christ Can We Fulfill the Law 13-15
- Sanctification Is Through the Spirit, Not the Law 16-25
- Only in Christ Are We Freed to Serve Others 1-6
- Only in Christ Are We Freed to Sow to the Spirit 7-18

# Understanding Law and Grace

## Grace and Law are *not* opposites

Law's purpose was to show us that we are under the reign of sin.

Romans 5:20-21.

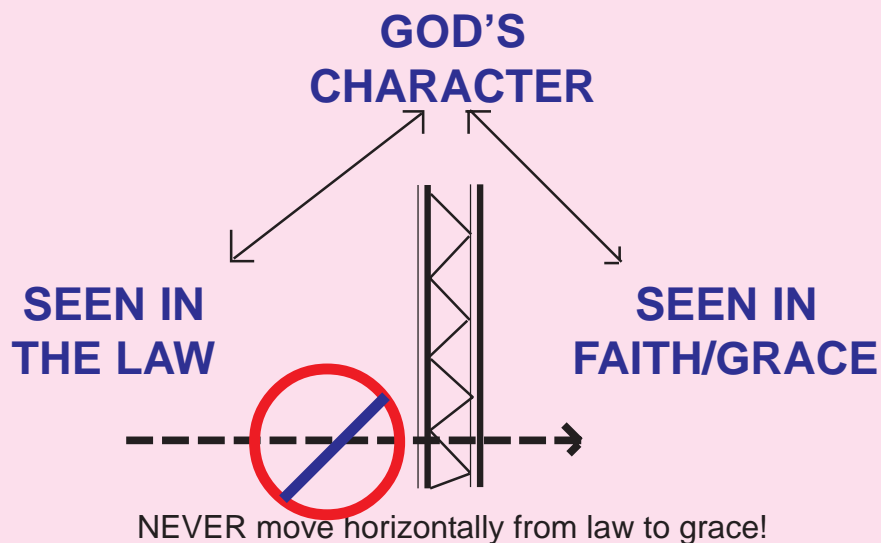
Grace does not *replace* the law.    LAW ---> GRACE

The reign of sin came about as a result of Adam's disobedience. The law was brought alongside to cause the reign of sin to abound. Grace nullifies the reign of sin. Therefore, grace does not replace the law. It makes the law unnecessary.

Grace frees us from the reign of sin.

## Absolutely nothing is carried from the law into grace.

Romans 11:6, Galatians 2:16-21 (See next overlay)



How then DO we view the law properly in our practice? ----->>>

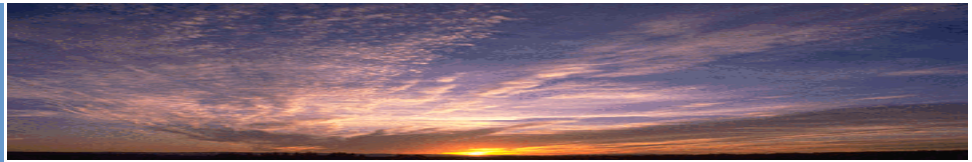


### Interesting facts:

*Only a true dispensationalist can free himself from confusing the law with grace.*

*- The Reformed/covenant elements must mix in Kingdom truth to gain desired obedience.*

*- The Arminian/charismatic elements must import Kingdom authority into their systems, again mixing law with grace.*



### Some Proper Uses:

- To show the unrighteous their sin. 1 Timothy 1:9,10
- To illustrate divine truth. Leviticus 8
- To illustrate divine principles. Ephesians 6:1

# On Using the Law

## Supplemental Notes—Gal. 2 & 3

**FREE  
OFFER**

Accept your free gift of salvation today and God will give you a lifetime of living by grace absolutely free!

Act today!  
Titus 3:5, Eph. 2:8,9

Use of Law.Pub (Nutshell Series)

### Some Improper Uses:

- To gain our justification (salvation). Gal. 2:16
- To maintain our salvation.  
Gal 2:19-21
- To effect our sanctification or enable us in our Christian walk.  
Gal. 3:1-3

*Note: We fulfill or complete the law as we submit to Christ.*

*Compare Matthew 5:17 and 18 and Romans 8:4.*



You were children, with no more rights than the slave children. Now, you have been appointed sons with all of the rights and privileges of sonship! Gal 3:23-4:18

# The Nuts & Bolts Baptism & Adoption

## SPIRIT BAPTISM

PROVIDES EQUAL ACCESS TO THE PROMISE OF THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT.

*Galatians 3:22-26 (See also Romans 6)*

*This baptism assures*

- (1) our identity in Christ,
- (2) our position in Christ,
- (3) our reciprocal union with Christ,
- (4) and our equal access to the promises!

### Operative Words

*Faith—Scan chs. 3 & 4*

*Promise—Scan chs. 3 & 4*

*Seed—Scan chs. 3 & 4*

*Spirit—3:2,5,14; 4:6,29; 5:5,16,17,18,22,25; 6:8,18*

Spirit BAPTISM accesses the promise and activates Spirit Adoption.

## SPIRIT ADOPTION

*Galatians 4:1-14*

- (1) Frees us from bondage to the elements of the world. (stoicheion) 4:1-4
- (2) Redeems us unto the adoption of sons. 4:5
- (3) Frees the Holy Spirit to administer the Father-son relationship in us. 4:6
- (4) Gives us immediate access to the inheritance. 4:7
- (5) Demonstrates the insanity of returning to the bondage of the elements (stoicheion). Note: Col. 2:8,20

### **Stoicheion**

*(Fundamental Premises, or A,B,C's)*

*Philosophical stoicheion are based on Gnosticism, Platonism & Aristotle.*

*Political stoicheion descend from Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, & Rome. (Daniel 2.)*

*Religious stoicheion all descend from works based thinking.*



# Notes on Circumcision

## The Physical Aspects

Keynote Passage: Genesis 12:17:1-21

- The *physical location* of the procedure symbolically relates to the transmission of seed.
- This *covenant* is to Abraham and his Seed.

## The Spiritual Aspects

Keynote Passage: Deut. 10:16 and 30:1-6

- Circumcision represents "ground zero" in the flesh war.
- God will circumcise Israel's heart at the Restoration.

## The Mosaic Aspects

Keynote Passage: John 7:22

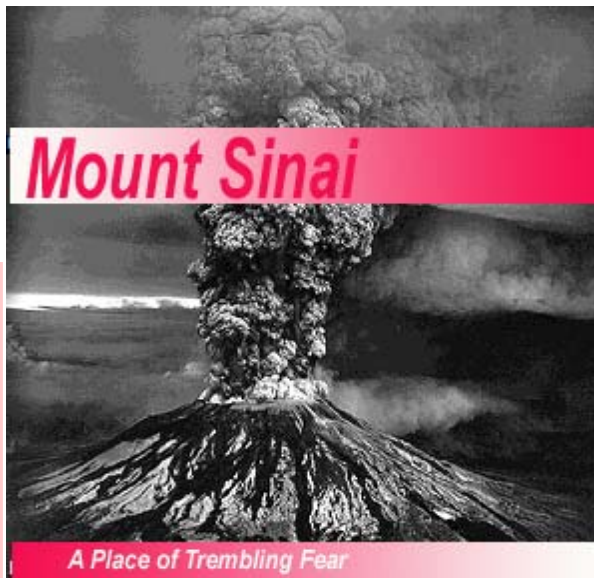
- Circumcision became associated with the Law of Moses (the Old Covenant) 400 years after Abraham.

## The New Covenant Aspects

Keynote Passage: Romans 2:25-3:31; Galatians 5:1-6

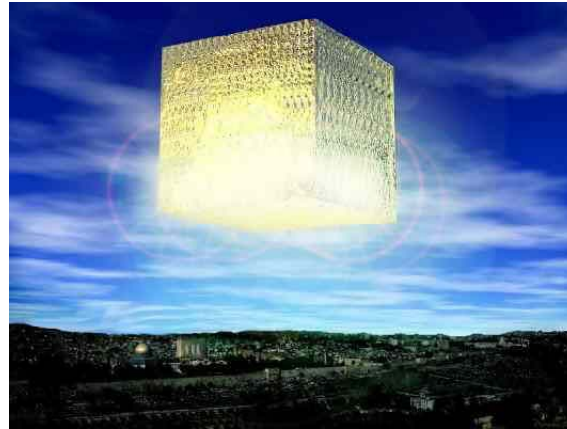
- Interestingly, circumcision now represents "ground zero" in the war of flesh versus Spirit.

Note: Circumcision has absolutely NO connection with Christian baptism!



# “Which Things Are An Allegory...”

Galatians 4:19-32 and Hebrews 12:18-24



**HAGAR—BONDAGE**

**ISHMAEL—SON OF FLESH**

**COVENANT OF LAW**

**JERUSALEM**

**ANTAGONISTIC TO GRACE!**

"But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, {23} To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, {24} And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than *that of Abel.*" (Heb 12:22-24 KJV)

**SARAH—FREE**

**ISAAC—SON OF PROMISE**

**COVENANT OF GRACE**

**NEW JERUSALEM**

**ANTAGONISTIC TO LAW AND FLESH!**

“Under which mountain do you worship?”

## THE LOGICAL PROCESS IN THE MIND OF THE JEW

- We, the Jews are all sons (seed) of Abraham.
- We are all the children of promise through Isaac.
- We are secured through our covenant which was authenticated at Mt. Sinai.
- Jerusalem is the City of God.

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## THE LOGICAL PROCESS IN THE MIND OF GOD

**K** The promise was made to Abraham and his Seed (not seeds.). Therefore it **K**  
**E** is realized in Messiah. Only those who come through Messiah may now **E**  
**Y** realize the benefits of the Abrahamic Covenant\*. Gal 3:16 **Y**

### ABRAHAM HAD TWO SONS

*(and their spiritual conditions are both represented in Israel.)*

- He had one son through the slave Hagar who represents bondage.
- As Ishmael was antagonistic toward Isaac, so the law and flesh are to life in the Spirit.
- The *descendants* of this bondage are represented by those who keep the law (or any other rudiment.)
- Mt. Sinai represents the sphere of their worship.
- The city of Jerusalem represents their quality of life.

- He had one son through a freewoman who represents liberty.
- The bondwoman and her son had to be cast out to end this antagonism.
- The *descendants* of this liberty are represented by those who are of faith and grace through Christ.
- The heavenly Mt. Zion represents their sphere of worship.
- The heavenly Jerusalem represents their city.



***\*CONSIDER HOW THIS RELATES TO CURRENT  
CONTEMPORARY ISSUES***

**A**

- The promise was made to Abraham's Seed, and;
- We inherit that promise through Christ, then:

**B**

- 1.) The New Covenant is a subset of the Abrahamic Covenant and is *not* free standing, and;
- 2.) There is only *one* New Covenant for Jews and Gentiles alike, and;
- 3.) There is only *One* Householder and Administrator of that Covenant, our Messianic Priest.

**C**

**IF STATEMENTS A AND B ABOVE ARE TRUE  
THE FOLLOWING SYSTEMS ARE ERRONEOUS:**

**Ultra Dispensationalism - which imagines *two* New Covenants!**

**Progressive Dispensationalism - which *blurs* the function of the covenants.**

**Revised Dispensationalism - which imagines a *temporary* New Covenant for the church!.**

**Reformed Theology - which *spiritualizes* the whole discussion away, ignoring the *literality* of the Abrahamic covenant and its subsequent expansions.**



# Sole Love

## Putting our Spirit-led New Covenant Ministry in action! Gal 6:1-10

{1} Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

{2} Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

{3} For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.

{4} But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another. {5} For every man shall bear his own burden.

{6} Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.

{7} Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. {8} For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. {9} And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

{10} As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.



### Love in Restoration (1)

- Restore the "overtaken"

### Love in Cooperation (2)

- Equalizing the burden emotionally, financially, physically, spiritually.

- Love makes burdens light.

### Love in Self Estimation (3)

### Love in Responsibility (4-5)

- Over doers, under doers, and doers.

### Love in Reciprocation (6)

### Love in Expectation (7-9)

- We always:

Reap what we sow  
Reap in another sea  
son.

Reap more than we  
sow.

### Love in Consummation (10)