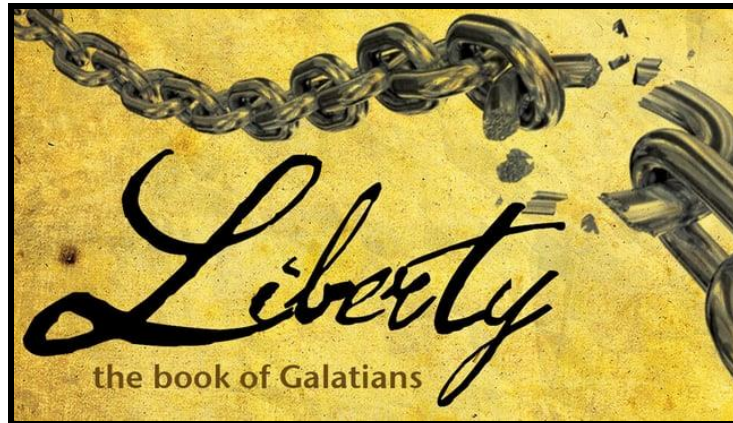


WINTER QUARTER SUNDAY SCHOOL 2016-2017
THEME: CREATION AND SALVATION
UNIT THREE – THE CHURCH IS BORN

“TRANSFORMED TO CONTINUAL DEVOTION IN CHRIST”



Sunday School Lesson No. XI– February 12, 2017
Presented by Rev. Frank A. Davis, III Pastor-Teacher

Lesson Text: Galatians 4:8-20

Required Reading: Galatians 4:1-31

Motto Text: Galatians 4:9, *“But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage?”*

Reliable Resources: Precepts for Living by UMI; Union Gospel Press Expositor and Illuminator; Word Search 10 Electronic Library; Libronix Electronic Library; H. L. Wilmington’s Bible Handbook; Key Words of the Christian Life by Dr. Warren Wiersbe; Galatians Commentary by Lehman Strauss; Butler’s Analytical Bible Expositor

INTRODUCTION

“When reading the book of Galatians, it is important to remember that the Apostle Paul was writing to converted Gentiles. His audience was not Jewish; therefore, they were unfamiliar with the law and the customs of the Jewish people. These Christians had lived their lives in ignorance of the true God, worshipping pagan gods. Now Jewish legalists, though professing to follow Christ, were trying to bind them to Jewish laws.” (Union Gospel Press Expositor and Illuminator, p. 154)

(Anticipated Power Points and total outline quoted from Butler’s Analytical Bible Expositor.)

Anticipated Power Points:

- **“The Alarm about Devotion. Galatians 4:8-12**
- **The Affliction of Paul. Galatians 4:13-15**
- **The Affection for the Converts. Galatians 4:16-20”**

“Transformed to Continual Devotion in Christ”

LESSON OUTLINE

I. The Alarm about Devotion. Gal. 4:8-12

1. Their Former Devotion. Gal. 4:8
 - The stupidity of their former devotion. (8a)
 - The service in their former devotion. (8b)
2. Their Faith Devotion. Gal. 4:9
 - The revelation from their faith. v. 9a
 - The relationship from their faith. v. 9b 'Are known of God'
3. Their Faulty Devotion. Gal 4:9-12
 - The return in their devotion. v. 9c
 - The rituals in their faulty devotion. v. 10
 - The reaction in their faulty devotion. vv. 11-12

II. The Affliction of Paul. Gal. 4:13-15

1. The Reminding of the Affliction. Gal. 4:13-14
 - The distractions in God's service. v. 14
 - The dedication in God's service. v. 13
2. The reaction to the Affliction. Gal. 4:14-15
 - The reception reaction. v. 14
 - The respect reaction. v. 14
 - The recovery reaction. v. 15

III. The Affection for the Converts. Gal. 4:16-20

1. Discarded Affection. Gal. 4:16
 - Whose affection was discarded. v. 16
 - Why the affection was discarded. v. 16
2. Defiled Affection. v. 17
 - The display of the affection. v. 17
 - The design of the affection. v. 17
3. Defended Affliction. Gal. 4:18
4. Devoted Affection. Gal. 4:19-20
 - Devotion of the affection. v. 19
 - Desire of the affection. v. 20a
 - Display of the affection. v. 20b
 - Doubt in the affection. v. 20c"

(I truly thank God for the directly quoted outline by Butler from the Analytical Bible Expositor on Galatians – Colossians.)

CLOSING

I close by sharing that we who have received Jesus Christ should never be deceived by the sweet talking of those who would seek to put us under any bondage. Why? *"If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."* John 8:36

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