

Questions on Galatians chapter 4

1. What is Paul's comparison for the condition of mankind under the Law of Moses? Why wouldn't someone want to be under the Law? Verses 1-2.

2. What enslaved both Jews and Gentiles before Christ came? Can you think of some circumstances that God allowed to develop before sending his Son? Verses 3-4.

3. For what two purposes did God send his Son? Verse 5.

4. What word is indicative of a new relationship of son-ship with God, as revealed by the Holy Spirit? What are the consequences of being a son? Verses 6-7.

5. Who was it that "knew not God"? Who was it they served who "by nature are no gods"? Verse 8.

6. What were the "weak and beggarly elements" to which they had returned? What were they doing that indicated to Paul that they desired "again to be in bondage"? How would their doing these things be labor in vain for Paul? Verses 9-11.

7. What was Paul asking them to do? Did they mistreat Paul when he first came to them in miserable physical condition? Verses 12-13.

8. What kind of reception did Paul receive when he first preached to the Galatians? Verse 14.

9. What was the difference in their attitude then and when Paul wrote? Verse 15.

10. What was the Galatians reaction when he told them something they did not want to hear, possibly on his second missionary journey? Verse 16.

11. What was the purpose of the Judaizers in arousing the zeal of the Galatians and in turning them against Paul? Verse 17.

12. They were zealous in a good thing when Paul was with them, but when is it also important to be zealously affected? Verse 18.

13. Paul's initial labors among the Galatians were like the pain of childbirth but why is Paul in travail or agony at this writing? Verse 19.

14. For what specific purpose does Paul desire to be among them? Verse 20.

15. What is meant by the phrase "hear the Law"? Does this imply that the point Paul wants to make is in the Law? Verse 21.

16. Who were the two sons? Although they had the same father, what was the difference in their standing before the law of the land? Verse 22.

17. What were the contrasting circumstances surrounding the birth of the two children? Verse 23.

18. What is an allegory? What do Hagar and Sarah represent? Which covenant does Hagar represent? How do we know? Verse 24.

19. Hagar is identified with Mount Sinai and Ishmael and answers or is compared to what? Verse 25.

20. Hagar and the Jerusalem “which now is,” is the mother of the Jews but who is our mother? If our mother is free, what does that say about us? Verse 26.

21. What passage is used from the Old Testament to show that it was predicted that in latter times, Gentiles would flow into the kingdom of God? Verse 27.

22. How were those who seek to be justified through faith in Christ like Isaac? Verse 28.

23. The mocking and taunting of Isaac by Ishmael is compared to what in Paul’s allegory? Verse 29.

24. Since we cannot be under two different covenants at the same time, which one shall we cast out? Whose children do we choose to be? Verses 30-31.