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Galatians

Galatians 1

Galatians 1:1

ULT

¹ Paul, an apostle—not from men nor by man, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, the one who raised him from the dead—

UST

¹⁻² I, Paul, am writing to my dear brothers and sisters in the province of Galatia. I am Paul, the apostle. No group of people made me an apostle, and God did not tell anybody to make me one. Instead, I am an apostle because Jesus the Messiah and God the Father have sent me as one—yes, God the Father, who made the Messiah live again after he had died! I and all the fellow believers who are here with me greet you all in the churches in the province of Galatia.

How did Paul become an apostle?

Paul became an apostle through Jesus Christ and God the Father.

Galatians 1:2

ULT

² and all the brothers with me, to the churches of Galatia:

UST

¹⁻² I, Paul, am writing to my dear brothers and sisters in the province of Galatia. I am Paul, the apostle. No group of people made me an apostle, and God did not tell anybody to make me one. Instead, I am an apostle because Jesus the Messiah and God the Father have sent me as one—yes, God the Father, who made the Messiah live again after he had died! I and all the fellow believers who are here with me greet you all in the churches in the province of Galatia.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 1:3**ULT**

³ Grace to you and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ,

UST

³ I pray that God, our Father, and the Lord Jesus the Messiah will kindly help you and give you peace.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 1:4**ULT**

⁴ the one who gave himself for our sins so that he might deliver us from this present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father,

UST

⁴ The Messiah sacrificed himself to God for our sins, in order to take us away from this world in which people act in such evil ways. He did this because God, our Father, wanted him to.

From what have believers in Jesus Christ been delivered?

Believers in Jesus Christ have been delivered from this present evil age.

Galatians 1:5**ULT**

⁵ to him {be} the glory forever {and} ever. Amen.

UST

⁵ Because that is true, let us now praise God forever and ever.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 1:6**ULT**

⁶ I am amazed that you are turning away so quickly to a different gospel from the one who called you by the grace of Christ,

UST

⁶ As you know, the Messiah called you in his kindness to trust in him. But now I am amazed that you have stopped trusting in him! Now you believe a different message, which some people say is the true good news about God.

With what is Paul amazed with the church in Galatia?

Paul is amazed that they are turning so quickly to a different gospel.

Galatians 1:7**ULT**

⁷ which is not another, except certain ones are causing you trouble and want to pervert the gospel of Christ.

UST

⁷ The Messiah never told us another good news, but other people are confusing you. They want to change the good news about the Messiah; they want you to believe that the Messiah actually said something different.

How many true gospels are there?

There is only one true gospel, the gospel of Christ.

Galatians 1:8**ULT**

⁸ But even if we or an angel from heaven might proclaim to you a gospel other than the one we proclaimed to you, let him be cursed.

UST

⁸ But even if we apostles or an angel from heaven should tell you a good news that is not the same as what we told you before, God should punish that person forever.

What does Paul say should happen to anyone proclaiming a different gospel than the gospel of Christ? (vv8-9)

Paul says anyone proclaiming a different gospel should be cursed.

Galatians 1:9**ULT**

⁹ As we have said before, and now I say again, "If someone proclaims to you a gospel other than the one you received, let him be cursed."

UST

⁹ As we have already told you, so now I say to you again that someone is telling you a form of the good news that he says is good, but it is not the same as what you believed. So I ask God that he condemn that person forever.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 1:10**ULT**

¹⁰ For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? If I were still pleasing men, I would not be a servant of Christ.

UST

¹⁰ I do not need people to like me, because it is God who approves of me. I am not trying to please people. If I were still trying to please people, then I would not really be serving the Messiah.

Servants of Christ must seek the approval of whom first?

Servants of Christ must seek the approval of God first.

Galatians 1:11**ULT**

¹¹ For I make known to you, brothers, that the gospel which was proclaimed by me is not according to man.

UST

¹¹ My fellow believers, I want you to know that the message about the Messiah that I proclaim to people is not one that some person created.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 1:12**ULT**

¹² For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but by revelation of Jesus Christ.

UST

¹² I did not learn this good news from any ordinary human being, and no such person taught it to me. Instead, it was Jesus the Messiah himself who taught me.

How did Paul receive the knowledge of the gospel of Christ?

Paul received the gospel of Christ by revelation from Jesus Christ directly to himself.

Galatians 1:13**ULT**

¹³ For you have heard about my former life in Judaism, that I was persecuting the church of God beyond measure, and I was destroying it.

UST

¹³ People have told you about what I did in the past when I worshiped God in the Jewish way. I never stopped doing the worst things to the groups of believers that God had established. I tried to destroy those believers and their groups.

What was Paul doing in his life before he received the revelation of the gospel of Christ? (vv13-14)

Paul was following Judaism zealously, persecuting the church of God and destroying it.

Galatians 1:14**ULT**

¹⁴ And I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of the same age among my race, being extremely zealous for the traditions of my fathers.

UST

¹⁴ I honored God in the Jewish way more thoroughly than any other Jew my own age. I was very angry when I saw other Jews neglecting to obey the traditions that our ancestors had kept.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 1:15**ULT**

¹⁵ But when the one who had set me apart from the womb of my mother and called me through his grace was pleased

UST

¹⁵ However, I was still in my mother's womb when God chose me to serve him, and he did this because it pleased him to do so.

When did God choose Paul to be his apostle?

God was pleased to choose Paul from his mother's womb to be his apostle.

Galatians 1:16**ULT**

¹⁶ to reveal his Son in me, so that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with flesh and blood,

UST

¹⁶ He showed me that Jesus is his Son; he did this so that I would tell others the good news about his Son in regions where the non-Jews live. But I did not immediately go to any mere humans in order to understand that message better.

For what purpose did God choose Paul as his apostle?

God chose Paul as his apostle so that Paul would proclaim Christ among the Gentiles.

Galatians 1:17**ULT**

¹⁷ nor I did go up to Jerusalem to those {who were} apostles before me. Instead, I went to Arabia and again returned to Damascus.

UST

¹⁷ And I did not immediately leave Damascus and go to Jerusalem to see the apostles there, the men who had become apostles before I became one. Instead, I went away into the region of Arabia, a region of wilderness. Later I returned once more to the city of Damascus.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 1:18**ULT**

¹⁸ Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and I stayed with him 15 days.

UST

¹⁸ It was actually three years after God revealed this good news to me that I went up to Jerusalem to visit Peter. I stayed with him for fifteen days.

Where did Paul finally meet some of the other apostles? (vv18-19)

Finally, Paul went to Jerusalem and met the apostles Cephas and James.

Galatians 1:19**ULT**

¹⁹ But I did not see another of the apostles except James, the brother of the Lord.

UST

¹⁹ I also saw James, the half-brother of our Lord Jesus and the leader of the believers in Jerusalem, but I did not see any other apostle.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 1:20**ULT**

²⁰ Now what I write to you, behold, before God, I am not lying.

UST

²⁰ God knows that what I am writing to you is completely true!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 1:21**ULT**

²¹ Then I went to the regions of Syria and Cilicia.

UST

²¹ After I left Jerusalem, I went to the regions of Syria and Cilicia.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 1:22**ULT**

²² Now I was unknown by face to the churches of Judea that {are} in Christ.

UST

²² At that time believers in the Christian congregations who were in the province of Judea still had never seen me.

What were the churches in Judea hearing about Paul? (vv22-23)

The churches in Judea were hearing that Paul, who once persecuted the church, was now proclaiming the faith.

Galatians 1:23**ULT**

²³ But they were only hearing, "The one formerly persecuting us is now proclaiming the faith which he formerly was destroying,"

UST

²³ They only heard others keep saying, "Paul, the one who in the past was doing violent things to us, is now proclaiming the same good news that we believe and he had been trying to stop!"

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 1:24**ULT**

²⁴ and they glorified God in me.

UST

²⁴ So they kept praising God because of what had happened to me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 2

Galatians 2:1

ULT

¹ Then after 14 years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, also taking Titus along with me.

UST

¹ After fourteen years passed, Barnabas, Titus, and I went up again to Jerusalem.

What did Paul do when he went up to Jerusalem after 14 years? (vv1-2)

Paul spoke privately to the leaders of the church, explaining to them the gospel that he was proclaiming.

Galatians 2:2

ULT

² Now I went up according to a revelation and set before them the gospel that I proclaim among the Gentiles, but privately to those who seemed to be important, lest I might run—or had run—in vain.

UST

² We did this because God had told me we should go. I explained privately to the most important leaders of the believers the content of the good news that I had been proclaiming in the regions of the non-Jews. I did this because I wanted to make sure that they approved of what I had been preaching. I wanted to make sure that I had not been working uselessly.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 2:3

ULT

³ But not even Titus, who {was} with me, who was a Greek, was forced to be circumcised.

UST

³ But those leaders did not even require Titus, who was with me and was an uncircumcised Gentile, to be circumcised.

What was Titus, a Gentile, not required to do?

Titus was not required to be circumcised.

Galatians 2:4**ULT**

⁴ But it was because of the false brothers who came in secretly, who came in secretly to spy on our freedom that we have in Christ Jesus so that they will enslave us,

UST

⁴ The people who would have required him to be circumcised were not true believers, but they pretended that they were fellow believers. They watched us closely to see how we obey God without following all the Jewish laws and rituals, since we know that the Messiah Jesus has freed us from those things. These false believers would like to make us like slaves to the law.

What did the false brothers desire to do?

The false brothers desired to make Paul and his companions slaves to the law.

Galatians 2:5**ULT**

⁵ we did not even yield in submission to them for an hour, so that the truth of the gospel might remain with you.

UST

⁵ But not even briefly did we agree with them about circumcision. We resisted them in order that the true good news about the Messiah might continue to benefit you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 2:6**ULT**

⁶ Now from those seeming to be something (what sort they were formerly matters nothing to me; God does not accept the face of man)—indeed, those seeming important added nothing to me.

UST

⁶ But those who others said were the leaders did not add anything to what I proclaim. Those leaders are important men, but they do not matter to me, because God does not favor certain persons more than others.

Did the leaders of the church in Jerusalem change Paul's message?

No, they added nothing to Paul's message.

Galatians 2:7**ULT**

⁷ But on the contrary, having seen that I had been entrusted with the gospel to the uncircumcision, just as Peter to the circumcision

UST

⁷ Instead, the leaders understood that God was trusting me to proclaim the good news to the non-Jews, just as Peter was proclaiming the good news to the Jews.

To whom was Paul primarily sent to proclaim the gospel? (vv7-8)

Paul was primarily sent to the uncircumcised, the Gentiles, to proclaim the gospel.

To whom was Peter primarily sent to proclaim the gospel? (vv7-8)

Peter was primarily sent to the circumcised, the Jews, to proclaim the gospel.

Galatians 2:8**ULT**

⁸ (for the one who worked in Peter for the apostleship to the circumcision also worked in me to the Gentiles),

UST

⁸ That is, just as God had empowered Peter to go as an apostle to take God's message to the Jews, he also empowered me to go as an apostle to take his message to the non-Jews.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 2:9**ULT**

⁹ and having understood the grace that had been given to me, James and Cephas and John, those seeming to be pillars, gave the right hand of fellowship to Barnabas and me, so that we would be to the Gentiles, and they to the circumcision,

UST

⁹ Those leaders understood that God had kindly given to me this special mission. So James, Peter, and John, the leaders of the believers in the Messiah—the same leaders that many people knew and honored—they were the ones who shook hands with us because we were fellow workers with them. We agreed that God had sent us to the non-Jews, that is, to those who were not circumcised, and that God had sent them to the Jews, that is, to those who were circumcised.

How did the leaders in Jerusalem show their approval of Paul's ministry?

The leaders in Jerusalem gave Paul and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship to show their approval.

Galatians 2:10**ULT**

¹⁰ only that we might remember the poor, the same thing that I was also eager to do.

UST

¹⁰ They only urged us to still remember to help the poor among the fellow believers who live in Jerusalem. That is exactly what I have been eager to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 2:11**ULT**

¹¹ Now when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned.

UST

¹¹ But later while I was in the city of Antioch, after Peter came there, I looked into his eyes and told him that what he was doing was wrong.

What error did Peter make when he came to Antioch? (vv11-12)

Peter stopped eating with the Gentiles, because he feared the men who had been circumcised.

Galatians 2:12**ULT**

¹² For before certain ones came from James, he was eating with the Gentiles. But when they came, he withdrew and separated himself, being afraid of those from the circumcision.

UST

¹² This is what happened. Peter went to Antioch and started eating regularly with non-Jewish believers there. Later there were certain Jewish believers who came to Antioch who claimed that James, the leader of the believers in Jerusalem, had sent them. And when those men came, Peter stopped eating with the non-Jewish believers and would not associate with them. He was afraid that the Jewish believers from Jerusalem would criticize him for associating with non-Jews.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 2:13**ULT**

¹³ And the rest of the Jews also joined with him, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy.

UST

¹³ Also, the other Jewish believers in Antioch joined in Peter's hypocrisy by separating themselves from the non-Jewish believers. Even Barnabas thought he had to stop associating with the non-Jews!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 2:14**ULT**

¹⁴ But when I saw that they were not walking correctly according to the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas in front of all of them, "If you, being a Jew, live like a Gentile, and not a like Jew, how can you force the Gentiles to live like Jews?"

UST

¹⁴ But when I realized that they were not following the truth of the good news about the Messiah, and when all the fellow believers had come together, I said to Peter in front of them all, "You are Jewish, but you have been living like a non-Jew who does not follow the law. So how can you possibly persuade the non-Jews to live like Jews?"

What did Paul ask Cephas in front of everyone?

Paul asked Cephas how he could force Gentiles to live like Jews when Cephas was living like a Gentile.

Galatians 2:15**ULT**

¹⁵ We {are} Jews by birth, and not sinners from the Gentiles;

UST

¹⁵ We were born as Jews, not as non-Jewish sinners who know nothing about God's law.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 2:16**ULT**

16 but knowing that no man is justified by the works of the law except through faith in Jesus Christ, we also believed in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law. For by works of the law no flesh will be justified.

UST

16 But we now know that it is not because a person obeys the law that God gave to Moses that God makes a person right in his sight. God does that only if that person trusts in Jesus the Messiah. Even some of us Jews have trusted the Messiah Jesus. We did that so God would declare us good in his sight, because we trust the Messiah, and not because we try to obey the law that God gave to Moses. God has said that he will not declare anyone good in his sight just because they obey the law.

Paul said that no one is justified by what?

Paul said that no one is justified by the works of the law.

How is a person justified before God?

A person is justified before God by faith in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 2:17**ULT**

17 But if, seeking to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were also found {to be} sinners, {is} Christ then a minister of sin? May it never be!

UST

17 But when we asked God to make us right in his sight by trusting in the Messiah, we stopped trying to obey the law, so the law proved us to be sinners for doing that. But this certainly does not mean that the Messiah is in favor of sin. Certainly not!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 2:18**ULT**

¹⁸ For if I again rebuild those things which I destroyed, I prove myself to be a transgressor.

UST

¹⁸ If I again believed that God would make me right in his sight because I obey his law, I would be like a man who rebuilds a shaky old building that he had once torn down. Everyone would see that I was breaking God's law.

If someone returns to trying to follow the law after having faith in Christ, what does Paul say he has actually become?

Paul says he shows himself actually to be a law breaker.

Galatians 2:19**ULT**

¹⁹ For I, through the law, died to the law so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ,

UST

¹⁹ As I was trying to obey God's law, I became like a dead man; it was as if the law had killed me. This happened so that I might live to worship God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 2:20**ULT**

²⁰ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. But that which I now live in the flesh, I live in faith that {is} of the Son of God, the one who loved me and gave himself for me.

UST

²⁰ It is as though my old way of life ended when the Messiah died on the cross. I no longer direct my life. The Messiah who lives in my heart now directs how I live. And whatever I do now while I live, I do it trusting in God's Son. He is the one who loved me and offered himself as the sacrifice to provide God's forgiveness to me.

Who did Paul say now lived in him?

Paul said that Christ now lived in him.

What does Paul say the Son of God did for him?

Paul says the Son of God loved him and gave himself for Paul.

Galatians 2:21

ULT

²¹ I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness {is} through the law, then Christ died for nothing!

UST

²¹ I do not set aside God's kindness, as if keeping the law could make us right with God. Otherwise, the Messiah would have died on the cross for nothing.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3

Galatians 3:1

ULT

¹ O foolish Galatians! Who bewitched you, before whose eyes Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified?

UST

¹ You fellow believers there in Galatia are very foolish! Someone must have bewitched you with their evil eye! I told you exactly how they had crucified Jesus the Messiah, did I not?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:2

ULT

² I want to learn only this from you: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing of faith?

UST

² So I want you to tell me only one thing: When the Holy Spirit came to you, did he come because you were obeying the law of Moses? Or did the Spirit come to you because you had heard the good news and trusted in the Messiah? Certainly this is what happened.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:3

ULT

³ Are you so foolish? Having begun by Spirit, are you now finishing by flesh?

UST

³ You are very foolish! You first became Christians because God's Spirit enabled you. But now you think you will continue until you die by trying as hard as possible to obey the law.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:4**ULT**

⁴ Have you suffered so many things for nothing—if indeed it was really for nothing?

UST

⁴ All the difficult things you have experienced after you believed in the Messiah would have been of no value at all if you had not been trusting in him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:5**ULT**

⁵ Therefore, the one providing the Spirit to you and working miracles among you, {is it} by works of the law, or by hearing of faith?

UST

⁵ When God now generously gives to you his Spirit and performs mighty deeds among you, do you think that it is because you obey God's law? Surely you know it is because when you heard the good news about the Messiah, you trusted in him!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:6**ULT**

⁶ Just as Abraham "believed God and it was credited to him as righteousness,"

UST

⁶ What you have experienced is just as Moses had written in the scriptures about Abraham. He wrote that Abraham trusted God, and as a result God declared Abraham good in his sight.

How was Abraham considered righteous before God?

Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.

Galatians 3:7**ULT**

⁷ know, then, that those by faith, these are sons of Abraham.

UST

⁷ You should realize, therefore, that it is those who trust in the Messiah to save them whom God has made into descendants of Abraham.

Who are the sons of Abraham?

Those who believe God are the sons of Abraham.

Galatians 3:8**ULT**

⁸ But the scripture, having foreseen that God justifies the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, "In you all the nations will be blessed."

UST

⁸ Even before God began to make non-Jews good in his sight when they trusted in him, men wrote in the scriptures that he would do this. God announced this good news to Abraham, as we read in the scriptures, "Because of what you have done, I will bless all the people groups in the world."

The scripture foresaw that the Gentiles would be justified in what way?

The scripture foresaw that the Gentiles would be justified by faith.

Galatians 3:9**ULT**

⁹ So then, those by faith are blessed along with the faithful Abraham.

UST

⁹ So, we know by this that it is all those who trust in the Messiah whom God blesses along with Abraham, who also trusted in God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:10**ULT**

¹⁰ For as many as are of works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, "Cursed {is} everyone who does not abide by all the things written in the book of the law to do them."

UST

¹⁰ God curses all those who think they can please God by obeying his law. It is just as you can read in the scriptures, "God will eternally punish everyone who does not continuously and completely obey all the laws that Moses wrote in the book of the law."

Those who rely on the works of the law to be justified are under what?

Those who rely on the works of the law to be justified are under a curse.

Galatians 3:11**ULT**

¹¹ Now, that no one is justified before God by the law {is} clear, because, "The righteous will live by faith."

UST

¹¹ But God has said that if he declares any people good in his sight, it will not be because they obeyed his law. You can read in the scriptures, "Every person whom God declares to be good will live because he trusts God."

How many people have been justified by God through the works of the law?

No one has been justified through the works of the law.

Galatians 3:12**ULT**

¹² Now the law is not by faith, but, "The one who does these things will live in them."

UST

¹² Whoever tries to obey the law is not trusting in the Messiah, "Whoever starts to do the things in the law must obey them all."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:13**ULT**

¹³ Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed {is} everyone who hangs on a tree”—

UST

¹³ The Messiah stopped God from having to curse us as they wrote in the law he must. This happened when God cursed the Messiah in our place. You can read in the scripture, “God curses everyone whom they hang on a tree.”

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:14**ULT**

¹⁴ so that the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, so that through faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

UST

¹⁴ God cursed the Messiah in order to bless the non-Jews who believe in the Messiah just as he blessed Abraham. And he blessed the non-Jews so that we might receive the Spirit, whom he promised to all who trust in the Messiah.

Why did Christ redeem us by becoming a curse for us?

Christ redeemed us by becoming a curse for us so that the blessing upon Abraham might come to the Gentiles.

Galatians 3:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Brothers, I speak according to man. Nevertheless, no one sets aside or adds to a covenant established by man.

UST

¹⁵ My fellow believers, God’s promise is like a contract between two people. After they sign it, no one can cancel it, nor can they add anything to it.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:16**ULT**

¹⁶ Now the promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. It does not say, "and to seeds," as to many, but as to one, "and to your seed," who is Christ.

UST

¹⁶ God promised to bless Abraham and his special descendant. The scriptures do not say, "your descendants," that is, many people, but instead "your descendant," meaning just one person, the Messiah.

Who was the "descendant" that was spoken of in the promise to Abraham?

The "descendant" spoken of in the promise to Abraham was Christ.

Galatians 3:17**ULT**

¹⁷ Now I say this: The law, having come after 430 years, does not set aside the covenant previously established by God to nullify the promise.

UST

¹⁷ This is what I am saying. God established an agreement with Abraham that the law which he gave to Moses 430 years later could not cancel.

Did the coming of the Jewish law 430 years after Abraham void the promise God made to Abraham?

No, the law did not void the promise made to Abraham.

Galatians 3:18**ULT**

¹⁸ For if the inheritance {is} from the law, {it is} no longer from promise. But God has shown kindness to Abraham through a promise.

UST

¹⁸ This is because if what God is giving to us forever comes because we keep his law, then he would not be giving it because he had promised to do so. In reality, however, God gave Abraham this gift because he had freely promised to give it.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:19**ULT**

¹⁹ What, then, {is} the law? It was added because of transgressions, having been put into effect through angels by the hand of a mediator until the seed would come to whom the promise had been made.

UST

¹⁹ So why did God later give his law to us? God gave his law to teach us that we all deliberately break it. And looking forward, God gave the law for the time when a descendent of Abraham would come. That descendent is the one who receives the promise that was made before to Abraham. The angels protected and applied the law by the authority of the one who would stand between God and people.

Why then was there the law?

The law came because of transgressions until Abraham's descendant came.

Galatians 3:20**ULT**

²⁰ Now a mediator is not for one, but God is one.

UST

²⁰ Now, when one person speaks directly with another, there is no mediator. And God himself made his promises directly to Abraham.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:21**ULT**

²¹ Therefore {is} the law against the promises? May it never be! For if a law was given that was able to make alive, then righteousness would have come by the law.

UST

²¹ So do the words of the law speak against what God promises? Certainly not. If we could obey the law and then live forever with God, then he certainly would have regarded us as good in his sight.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:22**ULT**

²² But the scripture imprisoned all things under sin so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those believing.

UST

²² But that was impossible. Instead, because we sin, the law in the scriptures controls us—and all things—just as if we were in prison. So when God promised to free us from that prison, he was speaking about anyone who believes in Jesus the Messiah.

What did the law in scripture imprison everyone under?

The law in scripture imprisoned everyone under sin.

Galatians 3:23**ULT**

²³ Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned to the faith about to be revealed.

UST

²³ Before God revealed the good news about how people should trust in the Messiah, his law was like a soldier who kept us in prison, unable to move about.

How are we released from the imprisonment of the law? (vv23-26)

We are released from the imprisonment of the law by faith in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:24**ULT**

²⁴ So then the law became our guardian until Christ, so that we might be justified by faith.

UST

²⁴ Like a father protects his small child by telling a slave to take care of him, God was supervising us by his law until the Messiah came. He did this so that he might now declare us good in his sight, if we trust in the Messiah.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:25

ULT

²⁵ But faith having come, we are no longer under a guardian.

UST

²⁵ But now that we can trust in the Messiah, we no longer need God's law to supervise us.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:26

ULT

²⁶ For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

UST

²⁶ I say this because you are all God's children because you have trusted in the Messiah Jesus.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 3:27

ULT

²⁷ For as many as have been baptized into Christ put on Christ.

UST

²⁷ All of you who trust in the Messiah and were baptized so that you are joined to him, have taken on the characteristics of the Messiah's life.

Who has been clothed in Christ?

All who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed in Christ.

Galatians 3:28**ULT**

²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

UST

²⁸ If you are believers, it does not matter to God if you are Jews or non-Jews, slaves or free persons, males or females, because all of you are together joined to the Messiah Jesus.

What different kinds of persons are made one in Christ Jesus?

Jews, Greeks, slaves, free, male, and female are all made one in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:29**ULT**

²⁹ Now if you {are} of Christ, then you are seed of Abraham, heirs according to promise.

UST

²⁹ Furthermore, since you belong to the Messiah, he makes you into descendants of Abraham, and you will receive everything that God has promised him and us.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4

Galatians 4:1

ULT

¹ Now I say, for as much time as the heir is a child, he is no different from a slave, being master of all.

UST

¹ Now, I will further discuss children and heirs. An heir is a son who will later possess all that his father has. But as long as that heir is a child, he is like a slave whom others control.

How does the heir of an estate live while he is a child? (vv1-2)

The heir lives like a slave under guardians and trustees until the time set by his father.

Galatians 4:2

ULT

² But he is under guardians and stewards until the date appointed by {his} father.

UST

² Until the day that his father has previously determined, other persons supervise the child and manage his property.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:3

ULT

³ So also, when we were children, we were being enslaved by the elemental principles of the world.

UST

³ Likewise, when we were like young children, we were under the evil rules that everyone in this world lives by. Those rules controlled us like masters control their slaves.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:4**ULT**

⁴ But when the fullness of time came, God sent forth his Son, having been born from a woman, having been born under the law,

UST

⁴ But when the time that God had determined arrived, he sent Jesus, his Son, into the world. Jesus was born to a human mother, and he had to obey the law.

What did God do at the right time in history? (vv4-5)

At the right time, God sent forth his Son to redeem those under the law.

Galatians 4:5**ULT**

⁵ in order that he might redeem those under the law, so that we might receive the adoption as sons.

UST

⁵ God sent Jesus to rescue us from the law controlling us. He did this to adopt us as his own children.

How did God bring children who were under the law into his family?

God adopted as sons the children who were under the law.

Galatians 4:6**ULT**

⁶ Now because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father."

UST

⁶ Because you are now God's sons, he sent the Spirit of his Son to live in each of us. It is his Spirit who enables us to call God, "Father, our dear Father!" This shows that we are God's sons.

What does God send forth into the hearts of his children?

God sends forth the Spirit of his Son into the hearts of his children.

Galatians 4:7**ULT**

⁷ So then, you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, also an heir through God.

UST

⁷ So, because of what God has done, no longer is each of you like a slave. Instead, each of you is a child of God. Since each of you is now God's child, God will also give you all that he has promised. God himself will do it!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:8**ULT**

⁸ But at that time, not having known God, you were enslaved to those by nature not being gods.

UST

⁸ When you did not know God, you worshiped gods that really did not really exist. You were their slaves.

Before we know God, to whom are we slaves?

Before we know God, we are slaves to the spirits that rule the world, who are not gods at all.

Galatians 4:9**ULT**

⁹ But now, having come to know God, or rather, having come to be known by God, how are you turning again to the weak and worthless elemental principles, to which once more you want to be enslaved again?

UST

⁹ But now you do know God as your God. Perhaps it would be better, however, to say that now God knows each of you. So why are you returning again to follow the weak and worthless evil rules of this world? You do not really want to become their slaves all over again, do you?

Paul was perplexed that the Galatians were returning to what?

Paul was perplexed that the Galatians were returning again to the ruling spirits of the world.

As he sees the Galatians turning back, what does Paul fear for them? (vv9-11)

Paul fears that the Galatians will become slaves again, and that he has labored in vain over them.

Galatians 4:10**ULT**

¹⁰ You observe days and months and seasons and years!

UST

¹⁰ It actually seems that you do! You are once more obeying what others insist you should do on certain special days and at special times in certain months, seasons, and years.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:11**ULT**

¹¹ I am afraid for you lest I have labored among you for nothing.

UST

¹¹ I worry about you! I worked so hard for you, but it seems that it was all for nothing.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:12**ULT**

¹² I beg you, brothers, become as I am, for I also {am} as you. You did me no harm.

UST

¹² My fellow believers, I strongly urge you to become like me, because I do not let the law control me. I became like you non-Jews when I became free from the law, so you too should free yourselves from the gods. When I first went to you, you did not harm me at all, but now you are making me worry about you very much.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:13**ULT**

¹³ Now you know that because of a weakness of the flesh I proclaimed the gospel to you the first time.

UST

¹³ You remember that the first time I told you the good news, I did it because I was sick.

When Paul first came to the Galatians, what problem did he have?

When Paul first came to the Galatians, he had a physical illness.

Galatians 4:14**ULT**

¹⁴ And you did not despise your trial in my flesh nor reject me, but you welcomed me as an angel of God, as Christ Jesus.

UST

¹⁴ Although you might have despised me because I was sick, you did not reject me. Instead, you welcomed me like you would welcome an angel that came from God. You welcomed me like you would welcome the Messiah Jesus himself!

Despite Paul's problem, how did the Galatians receive him?

Despite Paul's problem, the Galatians received Paul as an angel of God, as Christ Jesus.

Galatians 4:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Where, then, {is} your blessing? For I testify to you that, if possible, having torn out your eyes, you would have given them to me.

UST

¹⁵ But now you are no longer happy! I know for certain that you would have done anything to help me. You would have torn out your own eyes and given them to me, if that would have helped me!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:16**ULT**

¹⁶ So then, speaking truth to you, have I become your enemy?

UST

¹⁶ That is why I have become so sad now. You seem to think that I have become your enemy because I have continued to tell the truth about the Messiah to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:17**ULT**

¹⁷ They are zealous for you, not rightly, but they desire to separate you, so that you would be zealous for them.

UST

¹⁷ Those who are insisting on obeying the Jewish laws are trying to get you to follow them, but they are not doing it for your good. They want to keep you away from me, because they want you to follow them, not me.

Who are the false teachers in Galatia trying to separate?

The false teachers are trying to separate the Galatians from Paul.

Galatians 4:18**ULT**

¹⁸ Now {it is} always good to be zealous for good, and not only when I am present with you.

UST

¹⁸ Well, it is good to insist on doing the right things; you should do this always, and not only when I am with you. But make sure it is the right people who are teaching you what to do!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:19**ULT**

¹⁹ My little children, with whom I am in labor again until Christ would be formed in you—

UST

¹⁹ You who are like my children, once again I am very worried about you, and I will continue to be worried until you become like the Messiah.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:20**ULT**

²⁰ but I am desiring to be present with you now and to change my tone, because I am perplexed about you.

UST

²⁰ But I do wish that I could be with you now and that I might talk more gently with you, because right now I do not know what to do about you.

Under what are the false teachers trying to put the Galatians? (vv20-21)

The false teachers are trying to put the Galatians back under the law.

Galatians 4:21**ULT**

²¹ Tell me, you who desire to be under law, do you not listen to the law?

UST

²¹ Let me try to explain this again. Some of you desire to obey all the law of God, but do you really pay attention to what the law says?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:22**ULT**

²² For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by the slave girl and one by the free woman.

UST

²² In the law we read that Abraham became the father of two sons. His female slave, Hagar, bore one son, and his wife Sarah, who was not a slave, bore the other.

From which two kinds of women did Abraham have two sons?

Abraham had two sons, one from a slave woman and one from a free woman.

Galatians 4:23**ULT**

²³ And the one was born from the slave girl according to flesh, but the other, from the free woman, through promise.

UST

²³ Ishmael, the son born by Hagar, the female slave, was conceived naturally. But Isaac, the son born by Sarah, who was not a slave, was conceived miraculously because God had promised Abraham that he would have a son.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:24**ULT**

²⁴ These are being spoken as an allegory, for they are two covenants. One {is} from Mount Sinai, giving birth to slavery; this is Hagar.

UST

²⁴ Now these two women symbolize two covenants. God made the first covenant with the people of Israel at Mount Sinai. That covenant requires the Israelites to live like a slave to the law. So Hagar, the female slave, symbolizes this covenant.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:25**ULT**

²⁵ Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponding to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children.

UST

²⁵ So Hagar symbolizes Mount Sinai, in the land of Arabia. But Hagar also symbolizes the city of Jerusalem as it is today. This is because Jerusalem is like a slave mother: She and all her children—that is, her people—are like slaves, because they all must obey the law that God gave to Israel at Mount Sinai.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:26**ULT**

²⁶ But the Jerusalem above is free, which is our mother.

UST

²⁶ But there is a new Jerusalem in heaven, and that city is like a mother of all us who believe in the Messiah, and that city is free!

Who is the symbolic mother of Paul and the believing Galatians?

The Jerusalem above, the free woman, is the symbolic mother of Paul and the believing Galatians.

Galatians 4:27**ULT**

²⁷ For it is written, "Rejoice, you barren one who does not give birth; break forth and shout, you who are not suffering the pains of childbirth; because the children of the desolate one {are} more than those of the one having a husband."

UST

²⁷ That new Jerusalem will have many more people than the old Jerusalem. This is because the prophet Isaiah wrote, "You who live in Jerusalem, you must rejoice! Now you have no children, like a woman who cannot have children! But one day you will shout with joy even though you have no children now. Like a woman who cannot give birth to children, and you feel deserted. You will have more children than any woman with a husband could have borne."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 4:28**ULT**

²⁸ Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise.

UST

²⁸ Now, my fellow believers, you have become children of God because you believed in what God promised to give to us. You are like Isaac, who was born because Abraham had believed in what God promised to give to him.

Are believers in Christ children of the flesh or children of the promise?

Believers in Christ are children of the promise.

Galatians 4:29**ULT**

²⁹ But just as then, the one who was born according to flesh was persecuting the one according to Spirit, so {it} also {is} now.

UST

²⁹ But long ago Abraham's son Ishmael, who was born naturally, caused trouble for Abraham's son Isaac, who was born because the Holy Spirit made it happen. It is the same way now. The people who are slaves to God's law persecute those of us who trust in what the Messiah has promised to give us.

Who persecutes the children of the promise?

The children of the flesh persecute the children of the promise.

Galatians 4:30**ULT**

³⁰ But what does the scripture say? "Throw out the slave girl and her son. For the son of the slave girl will certainly not inherit with the son of the free woman."

UST

³⁰ But these are the words in the scriptures: "The son of the woman who was not a slave will inherit what his father owns. The slave boy will inherit nothing. So send away from this place the female slave and her son!"

What do the children of the slave woman not inherit?

The children of the slave woman do not inherit along with the children of the free woman.

Galatians 4:31**ULT**

³¹ Therefore, brothers, we are not children of a slave girl, but of the free woman.

UST

³¹ My fellow believers, we are not children who have a slave woman as our mother, but we are the children who are born from a woman who was free, and so are we are free too!

Are believers in Christ children of the slave woman or children of the free woman?

Believers in Christ are children of the free woman.

Galatians 5

Galatians 5:1

ULT

¹ For freedom Christ set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not again be subjected to a yoke of slavery.

UST

¹ The Messiah set us free from the law so that it may control us no longer. So stop anyone who says you are still slaves to the law, and do not let the law control you like slaves again.

For what purpose has Christ set us free?

For freedom Christ has set us free.

Galatians 5:2

ULT

² Behold, I, Paul, say to you that if you would be circumcised, Christ will benefit you nothing.

UST

² Consider very carefully what I, Paul, an apostle, now tell you. If you let anyone circumcise you, what the Messiah has done for you will not help you at all!

What did Paul warn the Galatians would happen if they became circumcised?

Paul said that if the Galatians became circumcised, Christ would not benefit them in any way.

Galatians 5:3

ULT

³ Now I testify again to every man being circumcised that he is obligated to do the whole law.

UST

³ Once again I solemnly declare to every man whom they have circumcised, that he must obey the law perfectly, for God to declare him good in his sight.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 5:4**ULT**

⁴ You were cut off from Christ, whoever is being justified by law; you fell from grace.

UST

⁴ If you expect God to declare you good in his sight because you try to keep the law, you have separated yourself from the Messiah; God will no longer act kindly toward you.

What did Paul warn would happen to all the Galatians who would seek to be justified by following the law?

Paul warned that all the Galatians who would seek to be justified by following the law would be alienated from Christ and would fall away from grace.

Galatians 5:5**ULT**

⁵ For through the Spirit, by faith, we eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness.

UST

⁵ We whom God's Spirit enables to trust in the Messiah are confidently waiting for the time when God will declare us good in His sight.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 5:6**ULT**

⁶ For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is capable of anything, but {only} faith working through love.

UST

⁶ God is not concerned whether we are circumcised or not circumcised. Instead, God is concerned about whether we trust in the Messiah, with the result that we love others because we trust in him.

As opposed to circumcision and uncircumcised, what is the only thing that means anything in Christ Jesus?

In Christ Jesus, only faith working through love means anything.

Galatians 5:7

ULT

⁷ You were running well. Who hindered you, not to be persuaded by truth?

UST

⁷ You were following the Messiah so well! Who stopped you from obeying his true message?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 5:8

ULT

⁸ This persuasion {is} not from the one calling you!

UST

⁸ God, the one who chose you, is not the one who is persuading you to think like this!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 5:9

ULT

⁹ A little leaven leavens the whole lump.

UST

⁹ This false teaching that someone is teaching you is in danger of spreading to all of you, just like a little yeast in the dough causes it all to swell up.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 5:10**ULT**

¹⁰ I am confident in you in the Lord that you will think nothing otherwise. But the one troubling you will bear the judgment, whoever he may be.

UST

¹⁰ I am certain that the Lord Jesus will keep you from believing in anything else except his true good news. God will certainly punish anyone who is confusing you by teaching this false message, whoever he is.

Of what is Paul confident regarding the one who has confused the Galatians about the gospel?

Paul is confident that the one who has confused the Galatians about the gospel will bear God's judgment.

Galatians 5:11**ULT**

¹¹ But brothers, if I still proclaim circumcision, why am I still being persecuted? In that case the stumbling block of the cross has been removed.

UST

¹¹ But, my fellow believers, maybe someone is saying that I still teach that you must let them circumcise you. I certainly taught that before I followed the Messiah, but I am not teaching that any longer. But what they are saying cannot be true; otherwise, no one would be persecuting me now. No, I tell you that if people think they have to be circumcised to follow the Messiah, then the fact that the Messiah died on the cross no longer make any difference to them.

Paul says that proclaiming circumcision does what?

Paul says that in proclaiming circumcision, the stumbling block of the cross would be destroyed.

Galatians 5:12**ULT**

¹² I wish those disturbing you will even castrate themselves!

UST

¹² I wish that those who are confusing you would go all the way and castrate themselves!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 5:13**ULT**

¹³ For you have been called to freedom, brothers, only not the freedom for an opportunity for the flesh; rather, through love serve one another.

UST

¹³ My fellow believers, God has called you to set you free. But do not think he set you free so you could sin. Instead, love and serve each other, because you are now free to do that!

How are believers not to use their freedom in Christ?

Believers are to not use their freedom in Christ as an opportunity for the flesh.

How are believers to use their freedom in Christ?

Believers are to use their freedom in Christ to serve one another in love.

Galatians 5:14**ULT**

¹⁴ For all the law has been fulfilled in one command, in this, "Love your neighbor as yourself."

UST

¹⁴ Remember something that Jesus said. He said all the law means this: "Love each person like you love yourself."

The whole law is fulfilled in what one commandment?

The whole law is fulfilled in the commandment, "You must love your neighbor as yourself".

Galatians 5:15**ULT**

¹⁵ But if you are biting and devouring one another, watch out that you might not be consumed by one another.

UST

¹⁵ So if you attack and harm each other like wild animals, you might completely destroy each other.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 5:16**ULT**

¹⁶ Now I say, walk by the Spirit and you would certainly not fulfill the desires of the flesh.

UST

¹⁶ So I tell you this: Always let God's Spirit lead you. If you do that, you will not do the sinful things you might want to do.

How can believers not fulfill the lust of the flesh?

Believers can live by the Spirit, and thus, not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

Galatians 5:17**ULT**

¹⁷ For the flesh desires against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh. For these oppose each other, so that you are not doing these things that you would desire.

UST

¹⁷ When you want to sin, you go against God's Spirit. And God's Spirit goes against your desire to sin. These two are always fighting against each other. The result is that you do not always do the good things that you truly desire to do.

What two things are opposed to each other within the believer?

The Spirit and the flesh are opposed to each other within the believer.

Galatians 5:18**ULT**

¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

UST

¹⁸ But when God's Spirit leads you, the law does not control you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 5:19**ULT**

¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: sexual immorality, impurity, depravity,

UST

¹⁹ It is easy to recognize what is sinful. Sinful people commit evil sexual actions, sexual actions that even go against what is natural, and they desire things that are against good laws.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 5:20**ULT**

²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, hostilities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, rivalry, dissension, divisions,

UST

²⁰ They also worship false gods and things that represent those gods. They try to get evil spirits to act for them. People are hostile to others. People quarrel with each other. People are jealous. People behave angrily. People try to get others to think highly of them and do not consider what others want. People do not associate with others. People associate only with those who agree with them.

What are three examples of works of the flesh? (vv20-21)

Three examples of works of the flesh are any three of the following list: sexual immorality, impurity, lustfulness, idolatry, sorcery, hostility, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, rivalry, dissension, sectarian division, envy, drunkenness, and drunken riots.

Galatians 5:21**ULT**

²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, about which I warn you, just as I warned you before, that those practicing such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

UST

²¹ People want what others have. People get drunk. People get drunk and riot. And they do other things like these. I warn you now, just like I warned you previously, that the ones who constantly act and think like this will not receive what God has for his own people when he reveals himself to everyone as king.

What will those who practice the works of the flesh not receive?

Those who practice the works of the flesh will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Galatians 5:22**ULT**

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

UST

²² But as we grow in trusting the Messiah, God's Spirit starts causing us to love others. We are joyful. We are peaceful. We are patient. We are kind. We are good. We are ones whom others can trust.

What is the fruit of the Spirit? (vv22-23)

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faith, gentleness, and self-control.

Galatians 5:23**ULT**

²³ gentleness, {and} self-control; against such things there is no law.

UST

²³ We are gentle. We control our behavior. There is no law that says people should not think and act in such ways.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 5:24**ULT**

²⁴ But those of Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with the passions and the desires.

UST

²⁴ Furthermore, we who belong to the Messiah Jesus have stopped allowing ourselves to do the evil things that we did in the past. It is as though we had nailed them to a cross and killed these evil things!

Those who belong to Christ Jesus have done what with the flesh and its passions?

Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh and its passions.

Galatians 5:25

ULT

²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

UST

²⁵ Since God's Spirit has enabled us to live in a new way, we should behave as the Spirit leads us.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 5:26

ULT

²⁶ Let us not become boastful, provoking one another, envying one another.

UST

²⁶ We should not be proud about ourselves. We should not make each other angry. We should not envy each other.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 6

Galatians 6:1

ULT

¹ Brothers, even if a man might be caught in any trespass, let you, the spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself, lest you also might be tempted.

UST

¹ My fellow believers, if you discover that a brother or sister is doing wrong, those of you whom God's Spirit is directing should gently correct that person. Furthermore, as you correct another person, you should be very careful so that you do not sin either.

What should those who are spiritual do if a man is caught in some transgression?

Those who are spiritual should restore that man in a spirit of gentleness.

For what danger must those who are spiritual watch out?

Those who are spiritual must watch out that they are not also tempted.

Galatians 6:2

ULT

² Carry one the burdens of another, and thus you will fulfill the law of Christ.

UST

² When there are brothers or sisters who have problems, you should help each other. By doing that, you will do what the Messiah commands.

How do believers fulfill the law of Christ?

Believers fulfill the law of Christ by carrying one another's burdens.

Galatians 6:3

ULT

³ For if anyone thinks himself to be something, being nothing, he deceives himself.

UST

³ I say this because people who think more highly of themselves than they should merely fool themselves.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 6:4**ULT**

⁴ But let each one examine {his} own work, and then he will have reason to boast in himself alone and not in someone else.

UST

⁴ Instead, each of you should constantly test and decide if you can approve what you yourself are doing and thinking. You can be proud because what you yourself have done is good, and not because what you have done is better than what anyone else has done.

How can a person have something in himself to be proud of regarding his work?

A person can have something in himself to be proud of by examining his own work, without comparing himself to anyone else.

Galatians 6:5**ULT**

⁵ For each one will carry {his} own burden.

UST

⁵ I say this because you must each perform your own individual tasks.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 6:6**ULT**

⁶ But let the one being taught the word share in all good things with the one teaching.

UST

⁶ If fellow believers teach you the truth about God, then you should share your possessions with them.

What must one who is taught the word do with his teacher?

One who is taught the word must share all good things with his teacher.

Galatians 6:7**ULT**

⁷ Do not be deceived. God is not mocked, for whatever a man may sow, that he will also reap.

UST

⁷ You should not deceive yourselves. Remember that no one can deceive God. Just like a farmer will harvest exactly the kind of crop that he plants, God will pay back people according to what they have done.

What happens to whatever a man spiritually plants?

Whatever a man spiritually plants he will harvest.

Galatians 6:8**ULT**

⁸ For the one sowing to {his} own flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction. But the one sowing to the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

UST

⁸ God will punish eternally those who commit the sins that they wish to. But those who please God's Spirit will live forever with God because of what God's Spirit does for them.

What does a man harvest who plants to his own flesh?

A man who plants to his own flesh harvests destruction out of his flesh.

What does a man harvest who plants to the Spirit?

Out of the Spirit a man who plants to the Spirit harvests eternal life.

Galatians 6:9**ULT**

⁹ But we should not become discouraged in doing good, for in due time, not becoming weary, we will reap.

UST

⁹ But we should not tire of doing what pleases God, because eventually, at the time that God has determined, we will receive a reward, if we do not stop doing the good things that we have been doing.

If a believer does not give up and continues doing good, what will he receive?

A believer who continues doing good will reap a harvest.

Galatians 6:10**ULT**

¹⁰ So then, as we have time, we should do good to all, but especially to those of the household of the faith.

UST

¹⁰ So whenever we have opportunities, we should do what is good to all people. But especially we should do what is good to all our fellow believers.

To whom should believers especially do good?

Believers should especially do good to those of the household of faith.

Galatians 6:11**ULT**

¹¹ See what large letters I wrote to you with my own hand.

UST

¹¹ I am now writing this last part of this letter to you in my own handwriting. Notice the large letters with which I am now writing.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 6:12**ULT**

¹² As many as desire to make a good impression in the flesh, they compel you to be circumcised, only so that they might not be persecuted for the cross of Christ Jesus.

UST

¹² Some Jewish believers want to circumcise you so that the other Jews will think highly of them for making converts to Judaism. But they are doing this just so that the others will not persecute them for believing that the Messiah died on the cross to save us.

What is the motivation of those who want to compel the believers to be circumcised?

Those who want to compel the believers to be circumcised do not want to be persecuted for the cross of Christ.

Galatians 6:13**ULT**

¹³ For not even those who have been circumcised keep the law themselves, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast in your flesh.

UST

¹³ The reason that I say this is that not even those people keep the law of God; instead, they want to circumcise you so they can boast that they have made more converts to the Jewish faith.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Galatians 6:14**ULT**

¹⁴ But may it never be to me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

UST

¹⁴ I myself, however, desire very much never to boast about anything like that. The only thing I will be proud about is our Lord Jesus the Messiah and his dying on the cross. When he died on the cross, he made everything the unbelievers wish for to be nothing in my sight, and he made what I wish for to be nothing in their sight.

Of what did Paul say he was proud?

Paul said that he was proud of the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Galatians 6:15**ULT**

¹⁵ For neither circumcision is anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation.

UST

¹⁵ I will be very proud about that, because God does not care whether people are circumcised or not. Instead, he cares only that he changes them into new people.

Instead of circumcision or uncircumcision, what is important?

What is important is a new creation.

Galatians 6:16**ULT**

¹⁶ And as many as will walk in this standard, peace and mercy upon them and upon the Israel of God.

UST

¹⁶ May God give peace and act kindly toward all who live like this. These believers are the true nation of Israel that belongs to God!

Upon whom does Paul wish peace and mercy?

Paul wishes peace and mercy upon those who live by the rule of the new creation and upon the Israel of God.

Galatians 6:17**ULT**

¹⁷ From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I carry in my body the marks of Jesus.

UST

¹⁷ I say that people have persecuted me for declaring the truth about Jesus, and as a result I have scars on my body, unlike your new teachers. So let no one trouble me about these matters again!

What did Paul carry on his body?

Paul carried the marks of Jesus on his body.

Galatians 6:18**ULT**

¹⁸ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ {be} with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

UST

¹⁸ My fellow believers, may our Lord Jesus the Messiah kindly be good to all of you. Amen!

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