

A stylized scale of justice is centered in the upper half of the image. The scale is black with a white circular pivot point. Two pans hang from the arms. The left pan is lower and contains the word 'LAW' in a white, blocky, outlined font. The right pan is higher and contains the word 'GRACE' in the same font. The background is a dark blue, textured wood grain.

LAW

GRACE

# GALATIANS

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A **STUDY** THROUGH THE EPISTLE OF GALATIANS



# Galatians Overview

- **The Gospel of Grace Defended**  
**(1&2)**
- **The Gospel of Graced Explained**  
**(3&4)**
- **The Gospel of Grace Applied**  
**(5&6)**



# The Gospel of Graced Explained

- **What was the blessing given to Abraham?**
  - Rom 4:3
  - **3** What does the Scripture say?  
"Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness."
  - The blessing was that Abraham was justified by faith. Before the law was given.



# The Gospel of Graced Explained

- **Abrahamic Covenant not voided by the Law.**
- Gal 3:15-17
- **15** Brothers, let me take an example from everyday life. Just as no one can set aside or add to a human covenant that has been duly established, so it is in this case. **16** The promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. The Scripture does not say "and to seeds," meaning many people, but "and to your seed," meaning one person, who is Christ.



# The Gospel of Graced Explained

- Gen 15:6
- Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.
- Abraham was justified by faith over 430 years before the law was brought into existence.



# The Gospel of Graced Explained

- **Abrahamic Covenant not voided by the Law.**
- Gal 3:17-18
- **17** What I mean is this: The law, introduced 430 years later, does not set aside the covenant previously established by God and thus do away with the promise. **18** For if the inheritance depends on the law, then it no longer depends on a promise; but God in his grace gave it to Abraham through a promise.



# The Gospel of Graced Explained

- Law given to drive us to faith



- Gal 3:19-20

- **19 What, then, was the purpose of the law?** It was added because of transgressions until the Seed to whom the **promise** referred had come. The law was put into effect through angels by a mediator. **20** A mediator, however, does not represent just one party; but God is one.



# The Gospel of Graced Explained

- Law given to drive us to faith
- Gal 3:21-22
- **21** Is the law, therefore, opposed to the promises of God? Absolutely not! For if a law had been given that could impart life, then righteousness would certainly have come by the law. **22** But the Scripture declares that the whole world is a prisoner of sin, so that what was promised, being given through faith in Jesus Christ, might be given to those who believe.



# Free From Law

- Believers are free from the Law
- Gal 3:23-25
- **23** Before this faith came, we were held prisoners by the law, locked up until faith should be revealed. **24** So the law was put in charge to lead us to Christ that we might be justified by faith. **25** Now that faith has come, we are no longer under the supervision of the law.



# Free From Law

- Believers are free from the Law
- Gal 3:26-29
- **26** You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, **27** for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. **28** There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. **29** If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.



# The Just shall live by Faith

- **Hab 2:4**

- **4** Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.

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- **Rom 1:17**

- **17** For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.



# The Just shall live by Faith

- **Gal 3:11**

- **11** But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.

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- **Heb 10:38**

- **38** Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.