



**GALATIANS: Freedom
Through Christ
“A Promise You
Can Depend On”
Galatians 3:15-29
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The Priority of the Promise vs. 15-18

- 1) **The promise is confirmed** v. 15; Genesis 15:1, 4-7
- 2) **The promise is thru Christ** v. 16; Genesis 17:7-8, 22:18, 3:15
- 3) **The promise is complete** vs. 17-18; Genesis 26:24, 28:15;
John 1:17

“Again and again Paul comes back to the same point. The problem of human life is to get into a right relationship with God. So long as we are afraid of him, there can be no peace. How are we to achieve this right relationship? Shall it be by a meticulous and even self-torturing obedience to the law, by performing endless deeds and observing every smallest regulation the law lays down? If we take that way we will be forever in default, for man's imperfection can never fully satisfy God's perfection; but if we abandon this hopeless struggle and bring ourselves and our sin to God, his grace opens its arms to us and we find ourselves at peace with a God who is no longer judge but father. Paul's argument is that this is what happened to Abraham. It was on that basis that God's covenant with Abraham was made; and nothing that came in later can change that covenant any more than anything can alter a will that has already been ratified and signed.”

~~ William Barclay

The Purpose of the Law vs. 19-24

- 1) **Points us to our sin vs. 19-20** Romans 3:20, 7:7; Acts 7:53
- 2) **Points us to the solution vs. 21-22** Romans 7:9, 8:2-3
- 3) **Points us to our Savior vs. 23-24** Romans 3:20-22

The Plan the Promise Provides vs. 25-29

- 1) **We are now in Christ vs. 25-27** Philippians 3:9; John 1:12;
Romans 8:16
- 2) **We have a new identity in Christ v. 28** Romans 10:12;
Ephesians 4:3-7
- 3) **We have an inheritance in Christ v. 29** Romans 8:15-17;
1 Peter 1:3-4

Our Response

- 1) What are some ways we look to the law to produce the obedience that only the gospel can bring about?
- 2) How does the law help us see our sin? How does the law prepare us for grace?
- 3) How does the Law point us to Christ? How does Jesus fulfill the Law?
- 4) What does it mean that we are all one in Christ? What distinctions have been extinguished? What distinctions still remain?
- 5) What does it mean that you are Abraham's offspring & heir (if you are a follower of Jesus) and why is this so important?