

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Galatians 4:21-31

Who's Your Mother?

Getting Started

How much do you know about your genealogy?

Digging In

1. **Read Genesis 15:1-6.** What was Abram's complaint? (vv. 2-3)
2. What was God's promise? (vv. 4-6)
3. **Read Gen 16.** How did Abram and Sara take matters into their own hands?
4. What was the result?
5. **Read Galatians 4:21-23.** Who are the 2 women & 2 sons?
6. **Read Gal 4:24-27.** How do these women represent two covenants? Describe the nature of each covenant. (You may find it helpful to make yourself a chart.)
7. **Read Gal 4:28-31.** What is the condition of those who follow the covenant of law – the covenant from Mount Sinai?
8. How does this apply to those of Paul's day who were looking for salvation to Judaism, which was centered in *the present city of Jerusalem*?
9. Who are the children of the heavenly Jerusalem?
10. **Read Gal 4:28-31.** Who is our mother, and what is the significance of our spiritual heritage?



Getting Personal

- In what ways do we sometimes turn back to our own human effort in order to maintain a right standing before God?
- In your own words, what is the meaning of this statement: *Religion says "do." The gospel says "done."*
- What are some steps we can take to live in the freedom that Christ has purchased for us – the freedom that God has given us as his adopted sons and daughters?
- How will you *preach the gospel to yourself* this coming week?