

**24** Wherefore the law was our pedagogue in Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

**25** But after the faith is come, we are no longer under a pedagogue.

**26** For you are all the children of God by faith, in Christ Jesus.

**27** For as many of you as have been baptized in Christ, have put on Christ.

**28** There is neither Jew nor Greek: there is neither bond nor free: there is neither male nor female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus.

**29** And if you be Christ's, then are you the seed of Abraham, heirs according to the promise.

## Chapter 4

Now I say, as long as the heir is a child, he differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all;

**2** But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed by the father:

**3** So we also, when we were children, were serving under the elements of the world.

**4** But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent his Son, made of a woman, made under the law:

**5** That he might redeem them who were under the law: that we might receive the adoption of sons.

**6** And because you are sons, God hath sent the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying: Abba, Father.

**7** Therefore now he is not a servant, but a son. And if a son, an heir also through God.

**8** But then indeed, not knowing God, you served them, who, by nature, are not gods.

**9** But now, after that you have known God, or rather are known by God: how turn you again to

the weak and needy elements, which you desire to serve again?

**10** You observe days, and months, and times, and years.

**11** I am afraid of you, lest perhaps I have laboured in vain among you.

**12** Be ye as I, because I also am as you: brethren, I beseech you: you have not injured me at all.

**13** And you know, how through infirmity of the flesh, I preached the gospel to you heretofore: and your temptation in my flesh,

**14** You despised not, nor rejected: but received me as an angel of God, even as Christ Jesus.

**15** Where is then your blessedness? For I bear you witness, that, if it could be done, you would have plucked out your own eyes, and would have given them to me.

**16** Am I then become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?

**17** They are zealous in your regard not well: but they would exclude you, that you might be zealous for them.

**18** But be zealous for that which is good in a good thing always: and not only when I am present with you.

**19** My little children, of whom I am in labour again, until Christ be formed in you.

**20** And I would willingly be present with you now, and change my voice: because I am ashamed for you.

**21** Tell me, you that desire to be under the law, have you not read the law?

**22** For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, and the other by a free woman.

**23** But he who was of the bondwoman, was born according to the flesh: but he of the free woman, was by promise.

**24** Which things are said by an allegory. For these are the two testaments. The one from mount Sina, engendering unto bondage; which is Agar:

**25** For Sina is a mountain in Arabia, which hath affinity to that Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children.

**26** But that Jerusalem, which is above, is free: which is our mother.

**27** For it is written: Rejoice, thou barren, that bearest not: break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for many are the children of the desolate, more than of her that hath a husband.

**28** Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise.

**29** But as then he, that was born according to the flesh, persecuted him that was after the spirit; so also it is now.

**30** But what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son; for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the free woman.

**31** So then, brethren, we are not the children of the bondwoman, but of the free: by the freedom wherewith Christ has made us free.

## Chapter 5

Stand fast, and be not held again under the yoke of bondage.

**2** Behold, I Paul tell you, that if you be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing.

**3** And I testify again to every man circumcising himself, that he is a debtor to the whole law.

**4** You are made void of Christ, you who are justified in the law: you are fallen from grace.

**5** For we in spirit, by faith, wait for the hope of justice.

**6** For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision: but faith that worketh by charity.

**7** You did run well, who hath hindered you, that you should not obey the truth?

**8** This persuasion is not from him that calleth you.

**9** A little leaven corrupteth the whole lump.

**10** I have confidence in you in the Lord: that you will not be of another mind: but he that troubleth you, shall bear the judgment, whosoever he be.

**11** And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? Then is the scandal of the cross made void.

**12** I would they were even cut off, who trouble you.

**13** For you, brethren, have been called unto liberty: only make not liberty an occasion to the flesh, but by charity of the spirit serve one another.

**14** For all the law is fulfilled in one word: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

**15** But if you bite and devour one another; take heed you be not consumed one of another.

**16** I say then, walk in the spirit, and you shall not fulfil the lusts of the flesh.

**17** For the flesh lusteth against the spirit: and the spirit against the flesh; for these are contrary one to another: so that you do not the things that you would.

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

**19** Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are fornication, uncleanness, immodesty, luxury,

**20** Idolatry, witchcrafts, enmities, contentions, emulations, wraths, quarrels, dissensions, sects,

**21** Envy, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like. Of the which I foretell you, as I have foretold to you, that they who do such things shall not obtain the kingdom of God.

**22** But the fruit of the Spirit is, charity, joy, peace, patience, benignity, goodness, longanimity,

**23** Mildness, faith, modesty, continency, chastity. Against such there is no law.

**24** And they that are Christ's, have crucified their flesh, with the vices and concupiscences.

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

**26** Let us not be made desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying on another.

## Chapter 6

Brethren, and if a man be overtaken in any fault, you, who are spiritual, instruct such a one in the spirit of meekness, considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

**2** Bear ye one another's burdens; and so you shall fulfil the law of Christ.

**3** For if any man think himself to be some thing, whereas he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.

**4** But let every one prove his own work, and so he shall have glory in himself only, and not in another.

**5** For every one shall bear his own burden.

**6** And let him that is instructed in the word, communicate to him that instructeth him, in all good things.

**7** Be not deceived, God is not mocked.

**8** For what things a man shall sow, those also shall he reap. For he that soweth in his flesh, of the flesh also shall reap corruption. But he that

soweth in the spirit, of the spirit shall reap life everlasting.

**9** And in doing good, let us not fail. For in due time we shall reap, not failing.

**10** Therefore, whilst we have time, let us work good to all men, but especially to those who are of the household of the faith.

**11** See what a letter I have written to you with my own hand.

**12** For as many as desire to please in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer the persecution of the cross of Christ.

**13** For neither they themselves who are circumcised, keep the law; but they will have you to be circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh.

**14** But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; by whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world.

**15** For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.

**16** And whosoever shall follow this rule, peace on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

**17** From henceforth let no man be troublesome to me; for I bear the marks of the Lord Jesus in my body.

**18** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.