

# **Wycliffe Associates**

## **Bible Translation Reviewers' Guide**

### *Galatians*

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# 1:6-10

Read all of chapter 1. Then read this passage again and answer the questions below.

## Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Paul was amazed the Galatians were quickly believing a false gospel. [1:6-7]
- ☐ Some men were causing trouble and wanted to change the gospel of Christ. [1:7]
- ☐ Paul warned that anyone who proclaimed a gospel other than the one the Galatians had received, would be cursed. [1:9]
- ☐ Paul said he was only seeking to please God. [1:10]

## Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. Why was Paul amazed? [1:6]  
Paul was amazed because the Galatians quickly started to believe a different gospel.
2. How many true gospels are there? [1:7]  
There is only one true gospel, the gospel of Christ.
3. What did Paul say would happen to anyone proclaiming a different gospel than the gospel of Christ? [1:8]  
They would be cursed.
4. Why do you think Paul repeated the curse on those who proclaimed a different Gospel? [1:9]  
Perhaps Paul wanted to make sure the Galatians carefully considered this as a warning and needed to be taken seriously.
5. Of whom must servants of God seek approval? [1:10]  
Servants of Christ must seek the approval of God first.

**Comment Section:**

## 2:6-10

Read all of Chapter 2. Then read this passage again and answer the questions below.

### Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Those who seemed to be important added nothing to Paul's message to the Gentiles. [2:6]
- ☐ James, Cephas, and John went to the circumcised; they encouraged Paul and Barnabas to go to the Gentiles and remember the poor. [2:9-10]

### Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. What did the leaders of the church in Jerusalem do for Paul? [2:6]  
They contributed nothing to Paul's message.
2. To whom was Paul primarily sent to proclaim the gospel? [2:7-8]  
Paul was primarily sent to uncircumcised people who were called Gentiles to proclaim the gospel.
3. How did the leaders in Jerusalem show their approval of Paul's ministry? [2:9]  
They gave the right hand of fellowship to Barnabas and Paul to show their approval. To give the right hand is a symbol of a person offering to be friends with someone.
4. What was one request James, Cephas, and John made to Paul and Barnabas? [2:10]  
Their only request was that Paul and his companions help the poor.

**Comment Section:**

## 3:15-25

Read all of Chapter 3. Then read this passage again and answer the questions below.

### Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ The law did not nullify the promise that God made many years before. [3:15, 17-18] [3:15]
- ☐ The promises spoken were to Abraham and his descendant, who was Christ. [3:16]
- ☐ The law was added because of sins until such time as Christ would come. [3:19]
- ☐ Paul clarified that the law was never in conflict with God's promises to Abraham. [3:21]
- ☐ The law was like a guardian, but since Christ came, the guardian was no longer needed. [3:25]

### Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. What was important about a man-made contract? [3:15]  
No one could set it aside or add to it once it was established by law.
2. Who was the "descendant" that Paul spoke of in the promise to Abraham? [3:16]  
The "descendant" in the promise to Abraham was Christ.
3. What did Paul say the law did not do? [3:17]  
The law did not void the promise made to Abraham.
4. Did the inheritance come by law or by promise? [3:18]  
The inheritance came by a promise.
5. Why was the law added? [3:19]  
The law was added because of sins until Abraham's descendant came.
6. What did Paul say about God in 3:20?  
Paul said, "God is one."
7. What reason did Paul give for saying that the law was not against the promise? [3:21]  
The law could not give life, so righteousness could not come from the law.
8. What did the law in scripture imprison everything under? [3:22]  
Scripture imprisoned everything under sin.
9. What do you think it meant that the law imprisoned people under sin? [3:22]  
Perhaps it meant that the law made people aware that they were sinners because they could not perfectly obey the law. Just like a person could not get out of prison, a person could not stop themselves from sinning.

**Galatians 3:15-25 continued**

10. How were people released from the imprisonment of the law? [3:23]

People were released from the imprisonment of the law by faith in Christ Jesus.

11. What changed for believers since faith came? [3:24-25]

Those who believed in Jesus no longer needed a guardian, that is, the law.

**Comment Section:**

## 4:1-7

**Background:** Paul continues his argument from 3:23-29. You may need to read it again to help you understand this passage.

Read all of Chapter 4. Then read this passage again and answer the questions below.

### Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ When an heir was a child, he was controlled by guardians and managers. [4:1-2]
- ☐ Before Jesus came, people were like children and controlled by basic principles of the world. [4:3-4]
- ☐ God sent his Son to redeem those under the law. [4:5]
- ☐ God sent the Spirit of his Son into the hearts of the Galatian believers. [4:6]
- ☐ The Galatian believer was no longer a slave, but a son and also an heir through God. [4:7]

### Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. How did the heir of an estate live while he was a child? [4:1-2]  
The heir lived under guardians and managers until the time set by his father.
2. What did Paul say enslaved them when they were “children”? [4:3]  
The elemental principles of the world.
3. What did God do at the right time in history? [4:4]  
God, at the right time, sent forth his Son to redeem those under the law.
4. How did God bring children who were under the law into his family? [4:5]  
God adopted them as sons.
5. What do you think it meant to receive adoption as sons? [4:5]  
Perhaps it meant that when a person believed in Jesus, they belonged to God, and God treated them as if they were his children born into his family.
6. What does God send forth into the hearts of his children?? [4:6]  
God sends forth the Spirit of his Son into the hearts of his children.
7. Who called out, “Abba, Father”? [4:6]  
The Spirit of God’s Son in the hearts of believers.
8. Paul said if a person was no longer a slave but a son, then what else was he? [4:7]  
He was an heir through God.

**Comment Section:**

## 5:7-15

Read all of Chapter 5. Then read this passage again and answer the questions below.

### Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Paul said whoever was troubling the Galatians would be punished. [5:7-10, 12]
- ☐ Paul said he was being persecuted because he no longer taught people that they should be circumcised. [5:11]
- ☐ The Galatians were told not to use freedom as an opportunity for the sinful nature, but rather they should love and serve one another. [5:13]
- ☐ The entire law was fulfilled in the command for believers to love their neighbor as themselves. [5:14]
- ☐ Paul warned that if they harmed one another, they might destroy their community. [5:15]

### Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. What did Paul ask the believers when they were running so well? [5:7]  
Paul asked who prevented them from obeying the truth.
2. What did Paul say about yeast? [5:9]  
Paul said that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough.
3. What do you think Paul meant when he spoke about yeast? [5:9]  
Perhaps Paul meant that partial truth could affect a believer's mind and heart, just as yeast affects a lump of dough.
4. What did Paul say about the one who was troubling the Galatians? [5:10]  
Paul said that one would suffer the judgment.
5. What would be the result if Paul was still proclaiming circumcision? [5:11]  
It would remove the stumbling block of the cross.
6. What instruction did Paul give believers about their freedom in Christ? [5:13]  
Believers were not to use their freedom in Christ as an opportunity for the flesh, that is, to sin.
7. How were believers to use their freedom in Christ? [5:13]  
Believers were to use their freedom in Christ to serve one another in love.
8. The whole law was fulfilled in what one commandment? [5:14]  
The whole law was fulfilled in the commandment, "You must love your neighbor as yourself."
9. What warning did Paul give the Galatians? [5:15]  
Paul said that if the believers bit and devoured each other, they might even consume each other.

**Galatians 5:7-15 continued**

10. What do you think Paul meant by saying the believers might consume each other? [5:15]

Perhaps if the believers harmed and fought with one another then they could ruin the church.

**Comment Section:**



## 6:1-10

Read all of chapter 6. Then read this passage again and answer the questions below.

### Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Paul encouraged the Galatians to carry each other's burdens. [6:1-2]
- ☐ Paul told the Galatians they should not consider themselves to be overly important, but they should examine their own works carefully. [6:3-5]
- ☐ Paul talked about people reaping what they sow. [6:7-8]
- ☐ Christians were not to become weary in doing good to all people, especially to other Christians. [6:9-10]

### Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. What were those who were spiritual to do if someone was caught doing something sinful? [6:1]  
Those who were spiritual were to restore that person in a spirit of gentleness.
2. What danger must those who were spiritual watch out for? [6:1]  
Those who were spiritual must watch out that they would not also be tempted.
3. How did believers fulfill the law of Christ? [6:2]  
Believers fulfilled the law of Christ by carrying one another's burdens.
4. What was a way a person could deceive himself? [6:3]  
A person deceived himself if he thought of himself as being something when he was nothing.
5. What was the result of a person examining his own work? [6:4]  
His reason to boast would be in himself alone and not in someone else.
6. What must one who was taught the word do for his teacher? [6:6]  
One who was taught the word was to share all good things with his teacher.
7. Why did Paul tell the believers not to be deceived? [6:7]  
God cannot be humiliated. Whatever a man plants is what he reaps.
8. What did a person harvest who planted to his own flesh? [6:8]  
A person who planted to his own flesh harvested destruction.
9. What did a person harvest who planted to the Spirit? [6:8]  
A person who planted to the Spirit harvested eternal life from the Spirit.

**Galatians 6:1-10 continued**

10. What do you think Paul meant by the words “planting” and “harvesting”? [6:7-8]

Perhaps Paul was talking about a person's actions and the consequences. Perhaps just like a person received a crop based on what kind of seed he planted, so too, a person received a consequence based on his actions.

11. If a believer did not give up and continued to do good, what would he receive? [6:9]

A believer who continued to do good would reap a harvest.

12. To whom were believers especially to do good? [6:10]

Believers were especially to do good to those of the household of faith, that is, to other Christians.

**Comment Section:**