

Galatians Study Questions

Galatians 3:23-4:7

²³ But before faith came, we were kept in custody under the law, being shut up to the faith which was later to be revealed.²⁴ Therefore the Law has become our tutor *to lead us* to Christ, that we may be justified by faith.²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor.²⁶ For 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, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

Chapter 4 ¹ Now I say, as long as the heir is a child, he does not differ at all from a slave although he is owner of everything,² but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by the father.³ So also we, while we were children, were held in bondage under the elemental things of the world.⁴ But when the fulness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law,⁵ in order that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"⁷ Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.

1. *Under what was man kept in custody?*
2. *How long did this custody remain in effect?*
3. *How does the Law lead man to Christ and for what purpose?*
4. *What is man no longer under? (See also Col. 2:11-14)*
5. *According to verses 26 and 27, how does one become a child of God?*
6. *According to verse 28, what is the result of being clothed with Christ?*
7. *To what promise is Paul referring in verse 29? (See Gal. 3:8)*
8. *What is the difference between a child and a slave?*
9. *Under what were the "children" held in bondage?*
10. *When did God send His Son into the world and for what purpose?*
11. *What is sent forth into the hearts of those who receive the adoption as sons?*
12. *What is the end result of receiving the adoption as sons?*