

THE EPISTLE *of* PAUL to THE GALATIANS

CHAPTER 3:10-14

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

“GOD BLESS YOU”

THE THEME OF BOOK:

IS IN FACT A QUESTION:

HOW CAN WE (WHO ARE SINFUL BY NATURE) , COME TO GOD (WHO IS
HOLY BY NATURE)

WHEN MY SINS HAVE SEPARATED ME FROM GOD AND EVEN DOMINATE MY
LIFE?

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

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INTRODUCTION

to the text

Galatians 3:10-14

The Summation Sentence

The blessings of God. We often will say “God blessed me with a great job or good health or friends or family” and while that it is true, it would be good, even right for us to understand that his blessings flow forth from a fundamental source - the goodness of God! Even people who do

not know the Lord will utter the words "God bless you" or "What a Blessing that was". The apostle Paul desired nothing more than to convey the word and will of God to a lost and dying world. Expressed in

Paul's Passionate Gospel

Acts 26:22-23

"Therefore, having obtained help from God, to this day I stand, witnessing both to small and great, saying no other things than those which the prophets and Moses said would come-- 23 "that the Christ would suffer, that He would be the first to rise from the dead, and would proclaim light to the Jewish people and to the Gentiles."

GOD BLESS YOU

1.) *By delivering you from death*

vv. 10

For as many as are of the **works** of the law are under the curse; for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them."

a.) *From Spiritual death*

v.10

For as many as are of the **works** of the law are under the curse;

*** Works**

grk ergon:

to do the deeds, to be doing, to labor, hard work. to toil as those at hard labor or as those under a Sentence of death

* **Under**

grk 5259 hupo (hoop-o');

In the negative sense; To be placed in an inferior position. To be brought to a place of submission or control of another. To be bound to a sorrow condition

b.) From Physical death

v.10

for it is written, "Cursed is everyone...

Paul, From the Book of the Law – Quotes Deuteronomy!

Deuteronomy 27:26

26 'Cursed is the one who does not confirm all the words of this law.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen!'

Hebrews 2:14-15

14 for inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, Jesus Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy Satan who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and release those who **through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.**

James 1:13-15

13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. 14 But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. 15 Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

DEATH DEFEATED IN JESUS !!!

John 11:25-26

25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.

26 "And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

c.) From Emotional death

v.10

everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law,
to do them."

Guilt binds us

Emotional Freedom is...

Romans 4:5

5 But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his
faith is accounted for righteousness,

Romans 10:4

4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

GOD BLESS YOU

2.) By giving you hope

vv. 11-12

11 But that no one is justified by the law in the sight of God is evident,
for "the just shall live by faith." 12 Yet the law is not of faith,
but "the man who does them shall live by them."

a.) By showing you that your goodness falls short

v.11a

But that no one is justified by the law
in the sight of God is evident,

Let me make this clear.

The falling short here almost sounds like we nearly made it.
- not a chance!

It means we never even got
started

* **No One** grk 3762 oudeis (oo-dice');
All inclusive - not even one man, not even
one woman, not even one thing! Can never, in
any way, in any form, by any means!

* **Evident** grk 1212 delos (day'-los);
Poignantly obvious, extremely clear, without
any doubt

b.) By calling you to have faith in him v.11b

...for the just shall live by faith."

Habakkuk 2:4

"Behold the proud, his soul is not upright in him;
but the just shall live by his faith.

Faith in Him - Not Faith in Faith

To Live by the law is to be On a Rollercoaster of Religion
Insecurity, Defeat, Frustration,

A Sick Cycle Carousel

Trying again and again - and then again and again to get it Right

1 John 5:13

These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

2 Timothy 1:12

...I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.

c.) *By Warning you that there is a more excellent way* v.12

Yet the law is not of faith,
but "the man who does them shall live by them."

Leviticus 18:4-5

- 4 'You shall observe My judgments and keep My ordinances, to walk in them: I am the LORD your God.
5 'You shall therefore keep My statutes and My judgments, which **if** a man does, he shall live by them: I am the LORD.

James 2:10-11

10 For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all. 11 For He who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery, but you do murder, you have become a transgressor of the law.

You Can Have A Battleship Moored to a Dock, but it is
only secure as long as not ONE LINK fails

Why is the law - not of faith?

because it demands human performance

Why is the law - not of faith?

Because the law itself – is Perfect !

It is God's perfect standard or score, that heaven will allow entrance into

Why is the law - not of faith?

Because it demands human perfection

Why is the law - not of faith?

Because the law cannot accept apologies

The law of liberty...

James 1:25

25 But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty (love) and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.

Romans 13:8

8 Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law.

Romans 13:10

10 Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

Galatians 5:14

14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

ABC News made a comment recently that I found telling. A Middle East expert was on as a consultant to discuss the future of the Middle East and terrorism. You will always find terrorism and terrorist acts in greater number among those who are of the Islamic / Muslim faith because the quran does not highly esteem human life. You will find a dramatic increase in the value of life among those who are Hebrew / Jewish in faith because the Old Testament scriptures give honor to life and the right to live. But it isn't until you both read and observe the teachings of Christianity that you

see this earth's highest regard for human life. The Christian is not only to extend a caring hand to a stranger of any faith, but to even lay down one's life for a friend.

There is a better way, an acceptable way, a holy way

The way of Love

2 Corinthians 5:14-15

14 For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; 15 and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.

GOD BLESS YOU

3.) *By redeeming you*

vv. 13-14

Christ has **redeemed** us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"),

14 that the blessing of Abraham **might come** upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive **the promise** of the Spirit through faith.

a.) *By paying your un-payable debt*

v.13

Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law

*** Redeemed**

grk :

A term in the ancient world that was used to purchase a slave out of the slave market.

In England, there are members of the Queen's family who, for the past six years have been buying Christian slaves from their Muslim owners in Sudan

1 Corinthians 6:20

20For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

1 Peter 1:18-21

18 knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. 20 He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you 21 who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Titus 2:14

14who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.

John 19:30

30So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

That you might know that you have eternal
life

By redeeming you

b.) By accepting Jesus' complete offering for sin

v.13

having become a curse for us (for it is written,
"Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree")

Deuteronomy 21:22-23

22 If a man guilty of a capital offense is put to death and his body is hung on a tree,
23 you must not leave his body on the tree overnight. Be sure to bury him that same day, because anyone who is hung on a tree is under God's curse. You must not desecrate the land the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance.

Isaiah 53:10-11

10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise Him; he has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, he shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand.
11 He shall see the labor of His soul, and be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, for He shall bear their iniquities.

Hebrews 9:11-14

11 But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. 12 Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. 13 For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, 14 how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

(NKJ)

Out of His Death would come Your Life

Acts 5:30-31

30 "The God of our fathers raised up Jesus whom you murdered by hanging on a tree.
31 "Him God has exalted to His right hand to be Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins.

(NKJ)

The Tree

(In Israel it referred to the three types of trees used to execute criminals.
A vertical post / an X shape / and common cross)

The Point Being

That Jesus was Nailed to the Cross (tree)

Psalm 22:1-6

- 1 My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? Why are You so far from helping Me, and from the words of My groaning?
- 2 O My God, I cry in the daytime, but You do not hear; and in the night season, and am not silent.
- 3 But You are holy, enthroned in the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our fathers trusted in You; they trusted, and You delivered them.
- 5 They cried to You, and were delivered; they trusted in You, and were not ashamed.
- 6 But I am **a worm**, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people.

(NKJ)

* **A worm** heb 8438 towla` (to-law');
it's a maggot - grub or "red grub", used to
dye fabrics or to stain an object.
Known also as The Scarlet Worm.

The Towla

It resides in the earth

But it didn't originate from the earth

It came from above to the earth beneath

When time comes for it to reproduce its young, it fastens itself to a tree facing east toward the rising sun. As the heat from the sun increases the towla begins to burn from the heat until it explodes. When it does explode, it sends for its young flying down toward the earth where they we reside for their lifetime.

When the process is over, the only visible evidence that anything occurred at all is a large red stain on the tree!

Jesus was our Towla

1 Peter 2:24

24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness-- by whose stripes you were healed.

By redeeming you

c.) *By giving you His Holy Spirit forever*

v.14

that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

* **Might come** grk 1096 ginomai (ghin'-om-ahee);
To affect a "gen"- e - ration). The
becoming of or the come into being.
To publish forth. To bring forth, to
birth

* **Promise** grk 1860 epaggelia (ep-ang-el-ee'-ah);
A divine pledge; a divine assurance of good

Ephesians 1:13

13 In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise,

In The Old World

a rich merchant would authorize his servant to become His personal Agent (Purchasing Agent). That servant would then be dispatched with the full authority to buy and seal an item for his master.

The Seal

Was a legally binding act that guaranteed the owners right of possession. That seal could not be broken or altered. If someone was to tamper or break the seal, they were put to death for Piracy

Ephesians 1:13
you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise,

Jude 1:24-25
24 Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy,
25 To God our Savior, who alone is wise, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forever. Amen.

And All of God's People Said Amen !