

Outline – Galatians 3:23 – 4:11

²³ Now before faith came, [SLAVES]
we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed.

²⁴ So then, the law was **our** guardian
until Christ came,
in order that **we** might be justified by faith.

²⁵ But now that faith has come, [SONS]
we are no longer under a guardian,

²⁶ for in Christ Jesus
you are all sons of God, through faith.

²⁷ For as many of **you** as were
baptized into Christ
have put on Christ.

²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Greek,
there is neither slave nor free,
there is no male and female,
for **you** are all one in Christ Jesus.

²⁹ And if **you** are Christ's,
then **you** are Abraham's offspring,
heirs according to promise.

^{4:1} I mean that the heir,
as long as he is a child,
is no different from a slave,
though he is the owner of everything,
² but he is under guardians and managers
until the date set by his father.

³ In the same way [SLAVES]
we also, when **we** were children,
were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world.

⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, [SONS]

God sent forth his Son,
born of woman,
born under the law,
⁵ to redeem those who were under the law,
so that **we** might receive adoption as sons.

⁶ And because **you** are sons,
God has sent the Spirit of his Son into **our** hearts,
crying, "Abba! Father!"

⁷ So **you** are no longer a slave,
but a son,
and if a son,
then an heir through God.

⁸ Formerly, when **you** did not know God, [SLAVES]
you were enslaved to those that by nature are not gods.

⁹ But now that **you** have come to know God, [SONS]
or rather to be known by God,

*how can **you** turn back again* [?????]
to the weak and worthless elementary principles of the world,
whose slaves **you** want to be once more?

¹⁰ **You** observe days and months and seasons and years!

¹¹ *I am afraid I may have labored over **you** in vain.*