

TWO VITAL LESSONS FROM THE LETTER OF THE APOSTLE PAUL TO THE CHRISTIANS AT GALATIA.

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I, The Law of God Points Us to Faith in Him, His Promises, and His Redemptive Work..

Galatians 3:19-29, 4:4-7

A. Introduction:

1. The Galatian letter..a work of deep emotion and solid theology as Paul reaches out to meet the need of the fellowship and protect it from false teachers.

2. The text in view:

a. The problem: some are leaving the faith teaching and returning to works for being right with God

b. Both law and works are put into a proper perspective for the health and growth of believers.

B. Discussion: Three propositions help us to put the meaning of the text into perspective.

1. The law was given that we might understand our hopelessness:

a. Defining "law"..Historically the Mosaic covenant. Practically any declaration of the will of God.

b. given "until" 19

c. showing our sin 22

d. keeping us under judgment 23

e. but leading to a better way 24