

No Longer Bound

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GALATIANS 3:21-29

Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. 22 But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. 23 Now before faith came, 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, 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.

I. We were _____ by the _____.

II. We are _____ by the _____.

III. We are _____ as _____.

Discussion Questions:

1. What resonated with you the most from the sermon?
2. Do you consider God's Law good or bad?
3. Discuss some of the ways people try to earn God's approval today. What are some common misconceptions about salvation?
4. Have you ever felt like you needed to do certain things or behave in a certain way to earn God's favor? If so, where do you think those feelings came from?
5. How does the image of being "clothed in Christ" impact your understanding of your identity?
6. In your own words, what does it mean to "put on" or be "clothed in Christ"?
7. How does living under the Law differ from living in God's grace? Share some practical examples of how these two approaches would affect a person's daily life.
8. Share an experience in your own life where being "one in Christ" led you to interact with someone who was different than you. How did that interaction go?"

Next Week: Galatians 4:1-11