



Logos Class – Letter to the Galatians

On Campus and Zoom class for Mar 13, 2022

Galatians– Chapter 3

Our next few weeks...

- ✓ *Feb 27, 2022 – Galatians Intro and Ch 1*
- ✓ *Mar 6, 2022- Galatians Ch 2*
- ✓ *Mar 13, 2022 – Galatians Ch 3*
- *Mar 20, 2022 – Galatians Ch 4*
- *Mar 27, 2022 – Galatians Ch 5*
- ***Apr 3, 2022 – Galatians Ch 6 & Wrap***
- ***Apr 10, 2022 – Palm Sunday lesson***
- ***Apr 17, 2022 – Resurrection Sunday Lesson***

Before we start Gal Ch 3

- Last week we discussed Ukraine and possible prophetic meaning in it.
 - We discussed how quickly both the public can create a villain on the world stage, and also create a hero on the world stage. We saw them in Putin or Russia, and Zelenskyy of Ukraine
 - We also discussed the Biblical prophecy of a rise in the AntiChrist-like figure and the Evil leader Gog.
 - No tying to current figures but just understanding of the way the world thinks in times of chaos and fear
- Anything else jump out at you this week about this situation in Ukraine?
- Something else came to my mind as the week developed and I better understood implications

Chapter 6 of Revelation kept coming to mind

- Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse which are the opening of the seal judgments
- This is NOT happening now because other things have to come to pass first, BUT it just let me see the intertwining of world events clearer.
- **White Horse** with Rider and a Bow (no arrows)
- **Red Horse** who brings war
- **Black Horse** who brings famine, sickness, inflation
- **Pale Horse** who brings Death

Foreshadow of things to come

- These things cannot happen until the Lord comes for His Church. We commonly call this the Rapture
- Holy Spirit in Men is taken out, and World descends rapidly into Chaos, Lawlessness, Hate
- Man with a Plan suddenly appears with all the answers
- Fights Evil and becomes Leader of most of the World except for a few
- Judgements of Revelation come
- Battle Royal set up for Gog/ Magog, Persia, Turkey, etc

Outline of the letter to the Galatians

- ✓ *Introduction, Chapter 1:1-10*
- ✓ *Personal, Chapters 1:11— 2:14*
- ***Authority of the apostle and glory of the gospel***
 - ✓ *Doctrinal, Chapters 2:15—4:31*
 - *Justification by Faith*
 - *Faith vs. Works, Liberty vs. Bondage*
 - ***Practical, Chapters 5:1—6:10***
 - *Sanctification by the Spirit*
 - *Spirit vs. Flesh, Liberty vs. Bondage*
- ***Autographed conclusion, Chapter 6:11-18***

Galatians Ch 3:1-6

¹ You **foolish** Galatians! Who has **bewitched** you? Before **your very eyes** Jesus Christ was **clearly portrayed as crucified**.

² I would like to learn just one thing from you: **Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by believing what you heard?**

³ Are you so foolish? **After beginning by means of the Spirit, are you now trying to finish by means of the flesh?**

⁴ Have you experienced so much in vain—if it really was in vain?

⁵ So again I ask, **does God give you his Spirit and work miracles among you by the works of the law, or by your believing what you heard?**

⁶ So also Abraham **“believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.”**

Galatians Ch 3:7-9

⁷ Understand, then, that those who have faith are children of Abraham.

⁸ Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: “All nations will be blessed through you.”

⁹ So those who rely on faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.

Galatians Ch 3:10-14

¹⁰ For all who rely on the works of the law are under a curse, as it is written: “Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law.”

¹¹ Clearly no one who relies on the law is justified before God, because “the righteous will live by faith.”

¹² The law is not based on faith; on the contrary, it says, “The person who does these things will live by them.”

¹³ Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: “Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole/tree.”

¹⁴ He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

Galatians Ch 3:15-18 The Law and the Promise

***15** Brothers and sisters, let me take an example from everyday life. Just as **no one can set aside or add to a human covenant that has been duly established**, so it is in this case.*

***16** The promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. Scripture does not say “and to seeds,” meaning many people, but “and to **your seed**,” meaning **one person, who is Christ**.*

17** What I mean is this: **The law, introduced 430 years later, does not set aside the covenant previously established by God and thus do away with the promise.

18** For if the inheritance depends on the law, then it no longer depends on the promise; but **God in his grace gave it to Abraham through a promise.

Galatians Ch 3:19-22 ***Why the Law?***

¹⁹ Why, then, was the law given at all? It was added because of transgressions until the Seed to whom the promise referred had come. The law was given through angels and entrusted to a mediator.

²⁰ A mediator, however, implies more than one party; but God is one.

²¹ Is the law, therefore, opposed to the promises of God? Absolutely not! For if a law had been given that could impart life, then righteousness would certainly have come by the law.

²² But Scripture has locked up everything under the control of sin, so that what was promised, being given through faith in Jesus Christ, might be given to those who believe.

Galatians Ch 3:23-25

*²³ Before the coming of **this faith**, we were held in custody under the law, locked up until **the faith that was to come would be revealed**.*

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

*²⁵ **Now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian.***

Galatians Ch 3:26-29

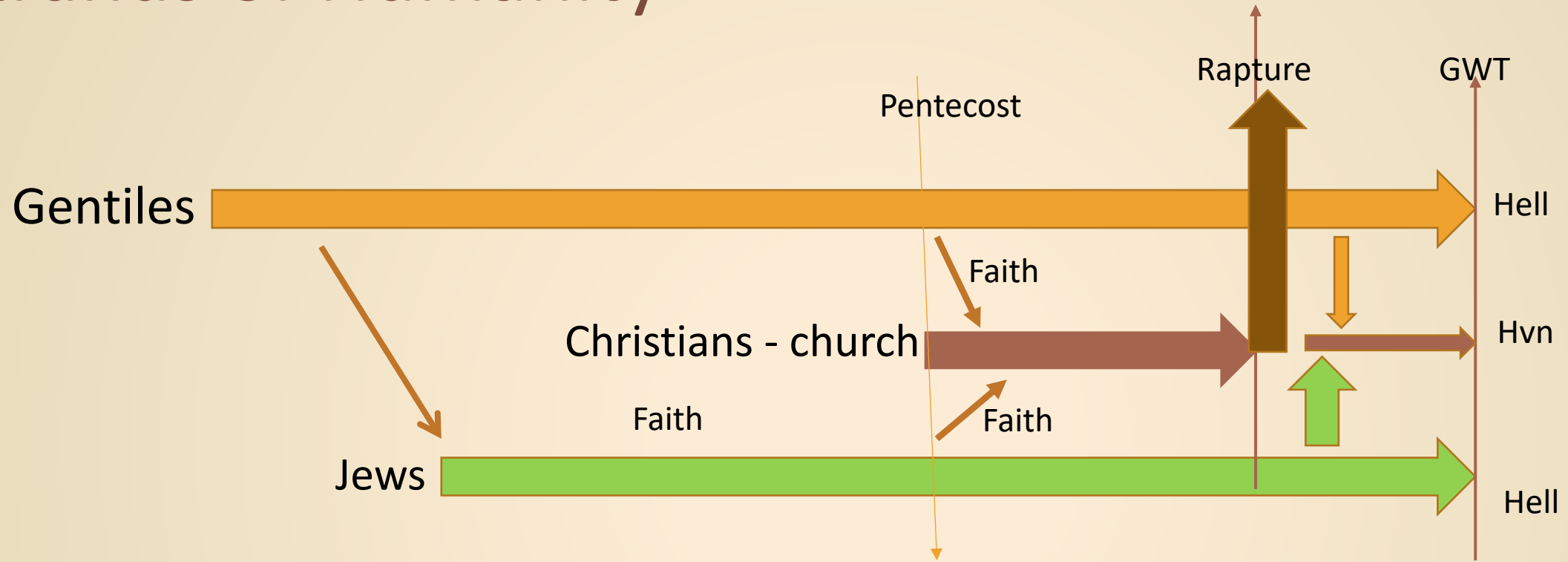
²⁶ So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith,

²⁷ for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

²⁹ If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Strands of Humanity



Comparison of Works versus Faith/Belief

| Comparison of Human Effort versus Life in the Spirit | | | |
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| | Religion by Human Effort | | Life in the Spirit |
| Goal | Please God by our own Good Works | | Trust in Christ, then live to please God |
| Means | Practice, diligent service, discipline, obedience in hope of reward | | Confess, submit, and commit to Christ's control |
| Power | Good honest effort through self determination | | The Holy Spirit in us helps us do the good work for Christ's Kingdom |
| Control | self motivation, self control | | Christ in me, I in Christ |
| Results | Chronic guilt, apathy, depression, failure, constant need for approval | | Joy, Thankfulness, love, guidance, service, forgiveness |

Next Week

- *Read Chapter 4 and come ready to discuss*
- *Pray for the people in Ukraine and especially our brothers and sisters in the 3 Redeemer Churches there*
- *Pray for our leaders and world leaders to be able to end this war and resulting death on all sides.*
- *Pray for our Pastors, and all those who are persecuted for their faith in the US, Canada, and worldwide.*
- *Pray for our brothers and sisters in this class and in FRC that are suffering and have desperate need of prayer*
- *Come back next week.*