
GALATIANS 4 STUDY QUESTIONS

1. To review what we learned in Chapter 3, how does verse 26 say we were made children of God?
2. In verse 27, what do you think it means to “put on Christ?”
3. In verse 29, because we belong to Christ, to what do we become heirs?
4. In Galatians 4:1-3, what is Paul talking about when he says that when heirs are like children, they aren’t much different than slaves. What is he referring to?
5. In verses 4 and 5, why did God send Jesus, and how does this connect to the previous verses?
6. According to verses 6 and 7, what does God give us as his children? And how does this gift affect our relationship with God?
7. In verses 8 and 9, Paul is wondering why the Galatians are replacing one kind of slavery for another. What are the different slaveries that Paul is referring to?
8. What were the different times that the Galatian Christians were observing in verse 10, and why would that make Paul worried for them in verse 11?
9. In verse 12, what does Paul mean by saying, “be as I am, because I became like you”?

10. Paul seemed to have some infirmity that caused difficulty for the Galatian Christians. How did they respond to that difficulty? Does verse 15 give us a hint as to what that infirmity might be?
11. Verse 16 describes a change of heart in the believers. Can you see who or what influenced them in verse 17? What does Paul yearn for because of their present condition?
12. From verse 21, Paul uses the story of Abraham's two sons to illustrate two covenants: a covenant of law, and a covenant of grace. Which son illustrates which covenant?
13. What covenant was given at Mount Sinai, and how does it represent slavery?
14. What do you think Paul is referring to when he says Jerusalem which is above? How does that covenant give freedom to all believers, Jews and Gentiles?
15. In verse 28, what do you think it means that we are the children of promise? What is the connection to the promise of Isaac?
16. How do you think those who are "born after the flesh" try to persecute those who are "born after the Spirit?" What should our response be to them?
17. What does it mean for you to know that you are born in freedom?