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**Galatians: The Gospel As It Should Be (part 7)**

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## Galatians

### **Greeting**

Paul, an apostle (not from men nor through man, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father who raised Him from the dead),  
<sup>2</sup> and all the brethren who are with me,

To the churches of Galatia:

## Chapter 1

<sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ,  
<sup>4</sup> who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father,  
<sup>5</sup> to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.



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# **Galatians 1:1-3:29 – The Gospel As It Should Be (REVIEW)**

- 1. Paul's Greeting (vv. 1 – 5)**
- 2. Paul's Warning (vv. 6 – 10) → <https://wp1.NLFJI.org/357>**
- 3. Paul's History validating His Call to Spread (vv. 11 – 24)  
the Gospel among the Gentiles ( <https://wp1.NLFJI.org/358> )**

**Timeline of Paul's Salvation (Acts 9) until Acts 15 Council Decision regarding Gentiles coming to faith in Christ and NOT needing to follow the Israeli Mosaic Law in order to be saved and to "keep their salvation", etc. ( <https://wp1.NLFJI.org/359> )**

- 4. Gal. 2:1-10 → after 14 years → The Church Council of Acts 15:  
→ Same Gospel, Shared Gospel → for Jews and Gentiles  
Also, re-confirmed that Gentiles did NOT need to become Jews in order to be saved in Christ,  
NOR to keep their salvation by following the Law of Moses. ( <https://wp1.NLFJI.org/360> )**
- 5. Galatians 3:1-14 - Christ Redeemed us from the CURSE of the Law  
Saved by and Growing in GRACE ( <https://wp1.NLFJI.org/361> )**
- 6. Galatians 3:15-29 - the Law Reveals Sin – The Law is a Tutor to Lead us to receive  
Christ by Faith/Trust. If we are in Christ, we are children of God, spiritual descendants  
of Abraham – The Law of Moses was NEVER GIVEN to Redeem lost sinners  
( <https://wp1.NLFJI.org/362> - or <https://NLFJI.org/GAL> )**

# 1. What was this “False Gospel” that the Galatian Churches “received”? Judaizer-Gospel – Hebrew Roots Movement Legalism “Gospel”

Not only is a Gentile lost sinner to receive Jesus (Yeshua) as one’s Savior and LORD, that saved sinner (saint) must also conform to the Law of Moses: doing all the Rituals, go to the Temple, do all the Feast Days, Keep the Sabbath, follow all the “clean food” laws (Biblical Kosher), if a male is not circumcised, he must be circumcised, dress like a Jews, and so on, etc.

Gentiles who come to faith in the Messiah of Israel, Yeshua, Jesus Christ, must, in all intents and purposes, become Jews. The reason is to “obey” God’s Word, to “fulfill the Law”, etc.

The Judaizers were **NOT** getting their “theology” from pagans, but from the Word of God. But, as Paul points out, they were missing some things in the process.



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## Judaizer-Gospel – Hebrew Roots Movement Legalism “Gospel”

Today, it is not much different – it is almost the same.

Added to it, today, folks who are in this “movement” of Messianic Legalism ... must make sure they use “G-d” instead of “God”, must write “Amien” instead of “Amen” ... “Yeshua” instead of “Jesus”, must Never Worship God on Sunday (*“because that is pagan”*) – must only have a “weekly” worship gathering time from after Sunset on Friday until sunset on Saturday. Must keep the “sabbath”, must keep all the 7 feasts (see Leviticus 23), etc. There is no Temple to go to, so things like that, they cannot do, etc. But, again, in all intents and purposes, they seek to be like Jews-in-Yeshua, even though they are Gentiles. It becomes very legalistic. If a follower of Yeshua (a Christian) is NOT following the Torah – he/she is NOT really obeying Christ.



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- obedience, not obnoxiousness
- humility, not humble pie
- and the need to correct our own shortcomings – not those of others.

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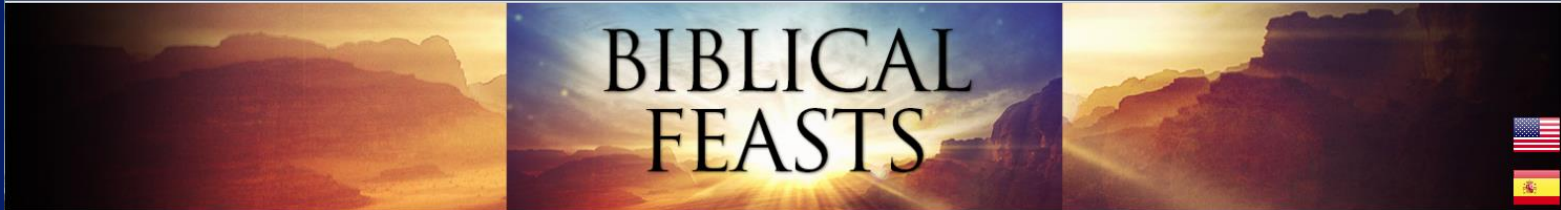
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## 2. Why would someone get caught in this “bondage”?

**As The Lawyer says to the Jury – It Goes to MOTIVATION ...  
The “WHY” of it all.**

**For the Galatian Christians, they were deceived after they found out their “roots” and the false teachers were very slick and convincing. They just showed them the Scriptures in the OLD Testament and let them know that in order to be the BEST “Christians” they needed to follow the Messiah Yeshua AND the Law of Moses, as well.**

**The Galatian Christians did not understand “Context” and “Covenant” and use Holy Spirit-empowered Biblical Discernment. It was a “switch” of Authority. Barnabas and Saul planted those churches, but “obviously” there was more to it – and the Judaizers supplied “the rest of the story” that Rabbi Shaul failed to mention. Similar to the Serpent (Satan) in the Garden suggesting to Eve that God must be “holding out” on you... there’s another Level ...**

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The pattern, here in the Western World, starts with a similar beginning:

- a. The Gentile Christian finds out that much of “Christians Traditions” – not found directly in the Bible, come from the Roman Catholic church. Those traditions are a blending of paganism, Judaism, and Christianity – pagan-rooted traditions.
- b. This is either discovered or “pointed out” by another HRM Legalist who “helps” that Gentile Christian Discover their Hebrew Roots.
- c. Then as time passes, friendships develop, that Gentile Christian “sees” that he “should” follow the Torah and Judaic/Hebrew “things” to help him get Closer to God and become Real Believer

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**Today, how does this kind of thing happen in which a Gentile follower/disciple of Jesus Christ – joins one of these “Messianic” congregations and goes full Jewish/Messianic Torah guardian?**

**After Discovering the Pagan-rooted Traditions, they “Throw the Baby out with the Bathwater” and go headlong into the Hebrew Roots Movement (HRM) Legalism – step-by-step – indoctrination by very convincing, very slick, teachers (false teachers). They, in effect, become Jews (converts to Judaism) who also follow and believe in Yeshua the Messiah of Israel, the Savior of the World.**

**Again, it is OK to understand and study the Hebrew Roots of Biblical Christianity, but to go headlong into the Hebrew Roots Movement (HRM) Legalism – is another thing, entirely.**

**A person who is caught up in this bondage, likes it and will defend it.**

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**Today, how does this kind of thing happen in which a Gentile follower/disciple of Jesus Christ – joins one of these “Messianic” congregations and goes full Jewish/Messianic Torah guardian?**

**These slick Teachers will Twist Scripture and “make it say” something entirely different than what it really says (original intent). They will teach from Acts 15, the book of Galatians, and the book of Hebrews and twist them so that they Justify the Hebrew Roots Movement Legalism – or Messianic Legalism, etc.**

**Galatians – Paul did not really mean what it plainly says  
Hebrews – well, that was written to Jews and it was not what it says,  
plainly written.**

**Acts 15 – it says what it says, but Gentiles still need to follow The Law of Moses because of Acts 15:21 – (compare with Acts 15:23-29; 21:25)**

### **3. The Remedy for False Doctrine is the Truth!**

**To Combat, Expose, and Refute this “false gospel” of the Judaizers, Paul employed:**

- a. Original Gospel Encountered – Remember the Gospel I preached to You.**
- b. Real History – Paul’s Salvational History, and Shared History with the Galatians**  
**This included the Planting of the Galatian Churches and the Letter from the Council (ref. Acts 15:23-29)**
- c. Reason – Paul Questions them about how they got Saved, in Christ, and the reception of the Holy Spirit into their hearts by Faith. And the Growth and LIFE in Christ, by the Holy Spirit ... was their salvation and their sanctification, growth, and being perfected in Christ by the works of the Law or by Faith?**

### **3. The Remedy for False Doctrine is the Truth!**

**To Combat, Expose, and Refute this “false gospel” of the modern-day Judaizers, we need to employ the same pattern**

- a. Original Gospel Encountered – Remember the Gospel that was preached to You (Galatians 1:6-9; 1 Corinthians 15:1-5)**
- b. Real History – Share your Salvational History, and any Shared History with the folks you are trying to help out of bondage Help them see that following Christ is personal and based on the New Covenant (ref. Acts 15:23-29; Galatians 6:1-5)**
- c. Reason – Question them about how they got Saved, in Christ, and the reception of the Holy Spirit into their hearts by Faith. And the Growth and LIFE in Christ, by the Holy Spirit ... was their salvation and their sanctification, growth, and being perfected in Christ – did they work for it, or was it a Gift?**

#### **4. CONTEXT and COVENANT – This helps us with Discernment**

**When Jesus Christ (Yeshua) spoke, as recorded in the 4 Gospels, at the time, the Old Covenant was still in full force over the nation of Israel. The Temple was still standing and the Levitical Priesthood still was in use and existing, etc. (although very corrupt, indeed).**

**Jesus spoke about obeying God in the Mosaic Covenant many times, such as when he told those healed to present themselves to the priest in the Temple along with the appropriate offering, etc.**

**(Luke 5:12-14) or when He spoke about “tithes” to the Pharisees in Matthew 23:23 / Luke 11:42. Those pronouncements made perfect sense in the Old Mosaic Covenant / The Law of Moses for Israel during the time it was still enforced by God over Israel, etc.**

**But they make no sense, now, since the Temple has been destroyed and the Levitical Priesthood disbanded. We are NOW, in the New Covenant, that time period in which Gospel of Christ is proclaimed.**



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**The New COVENANT in the Messiah of Israel, in Christ Jesus ...  
IS NOT LIKE the Old Mosaic Covenant, the National Covenant of  
Israel, the Law, the Law of Moses (Jer. 31:31-33)**

**This is made very clear in:**

**Hebrews 7:12 - For the priesthood being changed, of necessity there  
is also a change of the law.**

**Jesus, Yeshua – the Messiah – is the New High Priest in the New  
Covenant. The “Law” within the New Covenant is DIFFERENT  
It is CHANGED ... thus, following the Law of Christ is different than  
following the Law of Moses. When Jesus said for us to Follow His  
Commandments – that is what He meant, the New Covenant, by Faith  
in Jesus Christ. Follow and Obey Him, according to the Word,  
according to the New Covenant, NOT the Old Mosaic Covenant.**

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**This is made very clear in:**

**Hebrews 8:13 - In that He says, “A New Covenant,” He has made the  
first OBSOLETE. Now what is becoming obsolete and growing old is  
ready to vanish away.**

**The Old Mosaic Covenant, the Law of Moses to the Nation of Israel,  
according to Hebrews 8:13 – is Obsolete, Growing Old, and is ready  
to Vanish Away. Again, this is the final nail in the coffin of the  
Judaizers – the Hebrew Roots Movement Legalists ... at least it  
should be. To maintain staying in the Law of Moses while following  
the Messiah is like putting yourself in a coffin and trying to live.**

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**Galatians 3:21 - For if there had been a law given which could have  
given LIFE, truly righteousness would have been by the law.**

**The Old Mosaic Covenant, the Law of Moses to the Nation of Israel,  
was never intended to GIVE LIFE. We can only FIND Real LIFE,  
Eternal LIFE in a Living, Trusting Relationship with God, based upon  
Jesus Christ and His Life Giving Work of Redemption on our behalf.  
Jesus, Yeshua fulfilled the Law for us, on our behalf.**

**He Gave His Life on the Cross for our sins, on our behalf so that we  
might have LIFE in Him – our Resurrected King and Messiah is our  
LIFE – because He is our Righteousness. Unearned Grace and Love**