

# “Seems Right” August 15th 2010



**Galatians 23** Dialogue between Paul and the Galatians church

There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death. Proverbs 14:12

There are things that are inside us from when we were growing up - if we do something wrong we then need to do something right.

Parenting - If they do wrong - fix it up - then we reward the good behavior

God - when we do something wrong with God he doesn't make us do anything.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

What we learnt growing up follows us up into adulthood

We need to just simply as forgiveness rather than try and do good works to fix it up.

Abusive relationship - they get stuck in it

We think - If we do lots of good things - good things will happen - God did that and ended up being put to death! This is adding to the gospel - you cancel it out

There is a way that seems right - but often times the end is death and destruction

You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? Before your very eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed as Crucified. Galatians 3:1

Bewitched - baskaino (bas-kah-ee-no) Fascinate, cast a spell, evil eye

Paul is saying who has given you the look that you have to add this stuff to the gospel

Galatians 3:2-3 I would like to learn just one thing from you; did you receive the spirit by observing the law, or by believing what you heard? Are you so foolish? After beginning with the spirit, are you now trying to attaining your goal by human effort (the flesh)

Paul is trying to tell them it is Jesus + nothing

Hebrews 11:1 faith is being sure of what is hoped for and certain what we do not see

We can't see our salvation - I can see the evidence of it as I continue to walk in the spirit

Consider Abraham - He believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness, Gal 3:6

Credited - logizomai (log-id-zom-ahee) to take an inventory, impute, deposit, this term is actually an accounting term.

Jesus came to do what we couldn't do!

We are born into a spiritual rip (like in the ocean) of sin - we are all stuck in - Jesus was born a virgin birth (not already stuck in the rip) to rescue us out of the rip. We just need to stick our hand up and let Jesus do the work. Don't fight it

It cant be that easy there has to be a catch - it is easy but there isn't a catch

Grace and truth - A higher standard but easier to achieve

Law - if you want to follow the rules of the law there is about 613 of them and if you fail one you fail them all.

Galatians 3:10 All who rely on observing the law are under a curse, for it is written; Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the book of the law,

What is the point of the law if we aren't meant to do any of them

Galatians 3:24-25 So the law was put in charge to lead us to Christ that we might be justified by faith. Now that faith has come, we are no longer under the supervision of the law.

Paidagogos - (pahee-dag-o-gos) in the culture of the day it was a servant who would take the kids to school and bring them back him.

- Where there is no law - there is no Sin  
Sin is not held to account until it has been identified.
- The function of the Law was to define Sin  
You must look at them & then look at the spiritual requirement's behind them & how they are to be worked out in the culture of our day to lead us towards holy living. If you do this you are now being led by the Holy Spirit as to what is right in our dispensation of living!
- The Law was also given to stop anarchy in society  
1 Timothy 1:8 We know that the law is good if one uses it properly. We also know that the Law is made not for the righteous but for lawbreakers and rebels, the ungodly and sinful, the unholy and irreligious, for those who kill their fathers & mothers, for murderers, for adulterers and perverts, for slave traders and liars and perjurers - and for whatever else is contrary to the sound doctrine that conforms to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which he entrusted to me.
- The Law cannot cure Sin, it can only lead us the Christ

Jesus + NOTHING