

DO YOU WANT TO BE FREE?

SLAVES AND SONS

Galatians 4:1-11

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Would you rather be a slave or a son?

1. The Law keeps us in a state of slavery.

So also we, while we were children, were held in bondage under the elemental things of the world. Galatians 4:3

A. Legalism keeps us from experiencing the joys of freedom and sonship.

B. Legalism keeps us spiritually immature, not mature.

2. Jesus came to redeem us from the Law.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, in order that He might redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. Galatians 4:4-5

A. Jesus came at the perfect time.

B. Jesus fulfilled the Law and broke the curse of the Law.
Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us. Galatians 3:13

3. All those who receive Jesus, are made full-fledged sons.

... in order that He might redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" Galatians 4:5-6

- A. We are given the Holy Spirit.
- B. We enter into a close personal relationship with God.
- C. We are given access to the fullness and wealth of God.
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4. Why would anyone ever want to go from son back to slave?

*But now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by
God, how is it that you turn back again to the weak and worthless
elemental things, to which you desire to be enslaved all over again?
Galatians 4:8*

Have you received sonship?

Are you living in the joy of sonship?