

## Galatians 3:19-24

**3** <sup>19</sup>Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made, and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary. <sup>20</sup>Now an intermediary implies more than one, but God is one.

<sup>21</sup>Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. <sup>22</sup>But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith.

<sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith...

## SET FREE BY CHRIST The gospel of sonship (1)

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- 'I only had the faith of a servant, not that of a son' (John Wesley)

### **SLAVES UNDER LAW (3:19-24)**

- the law exposes our sin (3:19-20)

- the law leads us to Christ (3:21-22)

- the law imprisons us under sin (3:23-24)

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### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Anything you want to talk about from what you've heard? How would you sum up the difference between life under law and life in Christ? Could you imagine turning back to life under law?

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### **NEXT WEEK**

Series: Set free by Christ

Title: The gospel of sonship (2) (Galatians 3:25-4:11)

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### **SONS IN CHRIST (3:25-4:11)**