

**Hurstbourne Baptist Church: May 17, 2020**  
**Sermon Notes on Galatians 4:8-20**  
**"Christ and The Imbondaged Soul"**

- **Sermon Outline**

- The \_\_\_\_\_ of Gospel Ministry
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- **The Challenge of Gospel Ministry**

- The Challenge of Gospel Ministry is that people are \_\_\_\_\_.

- **The Strategy of Gospel Ministry**

- The Strategy of Gospel Ministry: \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e., True, Loving, Christ-exalting)
  - We speak \_\_\_\_\_ to unbelievers (1 Corinthians 2:3-5; 2 Corinthians 4:2).
  - We speak \_\_\_\_\_ to believers (John 17:17; Ephesians 4:15).
- The Strategy of Gospel Ministry is the \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_.

- **The Goal of Gospel Ministry**

- The Goal of Gospel Ministry is \_\_\_\_\_ in you.

- **Application for Everyone**

- " \_\_\_\_\_ in a man's heart weighs him down, but a \_\_\_\_\_ makes him glad" (Proverbs 12:25).
- Will you intentionally speak a "good word" to someone this week?
- If so, who? \_\_\_\_\_.

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- Main Idea: "If the Galatians embrace the Mosaic law after their conversion, Paul's apostolic labors have been in vain" (Schreiner, *Galatians*, 275).
- "For all the basic differences between Judaism and paganism, both involved subjection to the same elemental forces. This is an astonishing statement for a former Pharisee to make, yet Paul makes it – not as an exaggeration in the heat of an argument but as the deliberate expression of a carefully thought out position" (Bruce, *Galatians*, 202-203).
- "What is astonishing is that Paul equates subjection to Torah with paganism. One can only imagine the shock the Pauline assertion would have given the Judaizers" (Schreiner, *Galatians*, 279).
- "God never promised to save anybody for his religious observance of ceremonies and ordinances" (Luther, *Galatians*, 105).
- "According to tradition, Paul was an ugly little guy with beetle brows, bandy legs, a bald head, a hooked nose, bad eyesight, and no great rhetorical skills" (Stott, *Romans*, 58).
- "Christianity means community through Jesus Christ and in Jesus Christ. No Christian community is more or less than this. Whether it be a brief, single encounter or the daily fellowship of years, Christian community is only his. We belong to one another only through and in Jesus Christ. What does this mean? It means, first, that a Christian needs others because of Jesus Christ. It means, second, that a Christian comes to others only through Jesus Christ. It means, third, that in Jesus Christ we have been chosen from eternity, accepted in time, and united for eternity" (Bonhoeffer, *Life Together*, 21).
- "The Christian needs another Christian who speaks God's Word to him. He needs him again and again when he becomes uncertain and discouraged. [...] He needs his brother man as a bearer and proclaimer of the divine word of salvation. He needs his brother solely because of Jesus Christ" (Bonhoeffer, *Life Together*, 23).
- "The goal of all Christian community: [we] meet one another as bringers of the message of salvation" (Bonhoeffer, *Life Together*, 23).