

THE BOOK OF

# GALATIANS

*FREEDOM THROUGH CHRIST*

## A Tale of Two Mothers

GALATIANS 4:21-31

**January 7, 2024**

Has anyone ever asked you, "Who is your mother?" In our passage today Paul will ask whether we belong to the line of Hagar or Sarah. The answer will determine if we are tied to the Law or gospel and that answer means everything!



**WAYPOINT  
CHURCH**

Know Where You're Going.

# Order Of Worship

## Welcome and Announcements

## Call to Worship

**From Psalm 105:1-2, Romans 5:5, Revelation 4:8**

**Leader:** *The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;*

**All:** *we dwell in him and he in us.*

**Leader:** *Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;*

**All:** *make known his deeds among the peoples.*

**Leader:** *Sing to him, sing praises to him,*

**All:** *And tell of his marvelous works.*

**Leader:** *Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty,*

**All:** *who was and is and is to come!*

## Songs of Praise

**Holy Holy Holy**

**Come People of the Risen King**

## Offering

### Confession of Sin

**Leader:** *Merciful Savior, we come before you acknowledging our sin and guilt. We have no hope apart from your grace. Forgive us for our many sins, even those that we cherish in our hearts and minds, hidden from the notice of others.*

**All:** *Lord Jesus, your cross is our only hope of forgiveness.*

**Leader:** *Our souls are in need of your gracious healing. For too long we have lived in the bondage of shame, addiction and despair.*

**All:** *Lord Jesus, your empty tomb is our only hope of new life.*

**Leader:** *We know that we do not have the power to heal ourselves. We need you Lord Jesus to change us through the power of your Holy Spirit. By your Spirit, breath new life in us so that we can walk in love and freedom.*

**All:** *Lord Jesus, your Spirit is our only hope of healing.*

### Assurance of Pardon

**Romans 8:13-17**

## Song of Declaration

### ***No Longer Slaves***

## Confession of Faith

### **Heidelberg Catechism #70**

*Q. What does it mean to be washed with Christ's blood and Spirit?*

*A. To be washed with Christ's blood means that God, by grace, has forgiven our sins because of Christ's blood poured out for us in his sacrifice on the cross. To be washed with Christ's Spirit means that the Holy Spirit has renewed and sanctified us to be members of Christ, so that more and more we become dead to sin and live holy and blameless lives.*

## Pastoral Prayer

## Children's Message

## Sermon

### **A Tale of Two Mothers**

*Galatians 4:21-31*

*Pastor James Brignac*

## Communion

Song of Response

***In Christ Alone***

Benediction

# Sermon Notes

## Historical Context

***How does Genesis help us understand this passage?***

*Genesis 12:1-3*

*Genesis 17:6-8*

*Genesis 17:17*

***What doubt did Abraham and Sarai have?***

*Genesis 16:2*

***How does God often work?***

## The Line of Hagar

***What is the reality about all people according to Paul?***

***What does it mean to be a "child of slavery"?***

*Galatians 3:10-14*

*Romans 3:20*

## **What is Paul's question to the Judaizers?**

*Hagar was a slave; Ishmael, moral and good as he was, was nothing but a slave, and never could be more. Not all the works he ever rendered to his father could make him a free-born son. – **Charles Spurgeon***

## The Line of Sarah

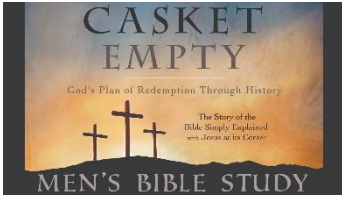
### **What is the difference in line of Hagar and Sarah?**

### **What is the context of Isaiah 54:1?**

### **What is the reality of our situation?**

*In the new covenant, God does not say "Thou shalt" and "thou shalt not." Instead he says, "I will": "I will be your God"; "I will redeem you from your sins"; "I will give you the free gift of eternal life. – **Philip Ryken***

# Announcements

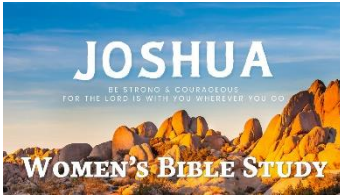


Every other Tuesday at 7:00 PM  
Led by Matt Kodatt

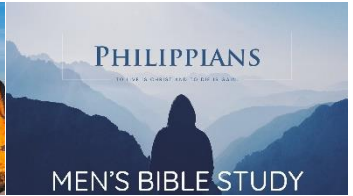


WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Every other Wed. at 6 PM  
Led by Kasey Bushman



Every other Wed at 10:00 AM  
At Valerie Thompson's home



Every Wednesday at 10 AM  
Led by Steve Jacques



Sundays at 6:30 PM  
At Waypoint Church



Feb 10 at 10:00 AM  
Registration open



Men's M.E.A.T.  
Jan 15 at 7:00 PM



Sunday, January 21  
2:00 – 4:30 PM  
RSVP to Paster James



## Discussion Questions

1. What was your favorite part of advent?
2. Read Genesis 17:7-9. What is promised in this passage? What are some other promises God makes in scripture?
3. Why should we always make sure to understand the historical context of the passages mentioned in scripture?
4. Read Romans 3:20. What is the point made by Paul?
5. Why do you believe Abraham and Sarai doubted God's promise about the birth of Isaac?
6. What is the difference between Law and gospel?