

“CHRIST OUR REDEEMER!”

Galatians Chapter 3:10-29

Intro: CHAPTER 2 - “Justification by Faith”; CHAPTER 3 - “The Just shall live by Faith”

I) THE PROMISE OF THE SPIRIT(v13-16)

(v10-12) C.I. Scofield writes in regards to the **LAW OF MOSES**: The Mosaic Covenant was given to Israel in three parts: (1) the **commandments**, *expressing the righteous will of God* (Ex. 20:1-26); (2) the **judgments**, *governing the social life of Israel* (Ex. 21:1-24:11); and (3) the **ordinances**, *governing the religious life of Israel* (Ex. 24:12; 31:18). **The Christian doctrine of the law:** (1) Law is in contrast with grace. Under the latter God bestows the righteousness which, under law, He demanded (Ex. 19:5; Jn. 1:17; Rom. 3:21; 10:3-10; 1 Cor. 1:30). (2) The law is, in itself, holy, just, good, and spiritual (Rom. 7:12-14). (3) Before the law the whole world is guilty, and the law is therefore of necessity a ministry of condemnation, death, and the divine curse (Rom. 3:19; 2 Cor. 3:7-9; Gal. 3:10). (4) Christ bore the curse of the law, and redeemed the believer both from the curse and from the dominion of the law (Gal. 2:16; 3:2-3, 11-12). (5) Law neither justifies a sinner nor sanctifies a believer (Gal. 2:16; 3:2-3, 11-12). (6) The believer is both dead to the law and redeemed from it, so that he is “*not under law, but under grace*” (Rom. 6:14; 7:4; Gal. 2:29; 4:4-7; 1 Tim. 1:8-9). And (7) under the new covenant of grace the principle of obedience to the divine will is produced inwardly (Heb. 10:16).

(v13) What is **REDEMPTION**? *Redemption* is deliverance by payment of a price. The tremendous cost of redemption: “*the precious blood of Christ*” (1 Peter 1:19; Ephesians 1:7), which is also called an atoning sacrifice, “*a propitiation by His blood*” (Romans 3:25).

Titus 2:13-14 says, “*looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.*”

The benefits of redemption include: *eternal life* (Revelation 5:9-10), *forgiveness of sins* (Ephesians 1:7), *righteousness* (Romans 5:17), *freedom from the law’s curse* (Galatians 3:13), *adoption into God’s family* (Galatians 4:5), *deliverance from sin’s bondage* (Titus 2:14; 1 Peter 1:14-18), *peace with God* (Colossians 1:18-20), and *the indwelling of the Holy Spirit* (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).

(v14) The **PROMISE** of the **HOLY SPIRIT**: Luke 24:49; Acts 1:1-8; 2:1-11; 37-42; 10:48; 19:1-7.
(v15-16) The Covenant was given to Abraham and to his **Seed, who is Christ**, of which we are justified by faith and blessed with the promise of the Holy Spirit.

II) THE PROMISE OF FAITH (v17-25)

(v17-18) The law came 645 years after the initial promise to Abraham (ca. 2090 B.C.; cf. Gen. 12:4; 21:5; 25:26; 47:9), but the promise was repeated to Isaac (Gen. 26:24) and later to Jacob (ca. 1928 B.C.; Gen. 28:15). The last known confirmation of the Abrahamic Covenant to Jacob occurred in Gen. 46:2-4 (ca. 1875 B.C.) **just before he went to Egypt—430 years before the Mosaic law was given.**

(v19-20) What purpose then does the law serve? The law reveals our absolute sinfulness and our desperate need of the Savior, the Son of God, our Lord Jesus Christ!

(v21-22) We are all under sin until the promise by faith in Jesus Christ; Jesus said in John 5:24 - “*Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.*”

(v23) When it says, “*But before faith, we were kept under guard by the law,*” - John MacArthur writes, “Paul personifies the law as a jailer of guilty, condemned sinners, on death row awaiting God’s judgment (Rom. 6:23).”

(v24-25) The word “*tutor*” in Greek is *paidagogos*, which speaks of “*child-discipliner or child leader.*”

III) HEIRS ACCORDING TO THE PROMISE (v26-29)

(v26) By faith in Jesus Christ we are all children of God - 1 John 3:1 - *Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!*

(v27) We are baptized into Christ – this is not water baptism, but rather we are immersed into the death and resurrection of Christ, into the body of Christ, thus we put on Christ (Colossians 3:8-15).

(v28) We are one in Christ, we are equal, we are family (Ohana, and nobody is left behind).

(v29) Stephen in Acts Ch. 7 gives a summary of Israel’s history. (John 14:1-3; Philippians 3:20)

A SUMMARY OF THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

The **TEN COMMANDMENTS** represent **GOD'S GOVERNMENT OVER MAN!** **GOD** commands us for our own good to give up wrongs and not rights! **HIS** system always results in **LIBERTY** and **FREEDOM!** The Constitution and the Bill of Rights are built on this foundation, which provides for punitive justice. It is not until one damages another's person or property that he can be punished. The Marxist system leads to bondage and **GOD'S** system leads to **LIBERTY!** Read very carefully:

1. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.
2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.
3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath to keep it Holy.
5. Honor thy father and mother.
6. Thou shalt not murder.
7. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
8. Thou shalt not steal.
9. Thou shalt not bear false witness.
10. Thou shalt not covet.

Directly above the Chief Justice's chair is a tablet signifying the **TEN COMMANDMENTS**. When the Speaker of the House in the U.S. Congress looks up, his eyes look into the face of Moses. "*The Bible is the Book upon which this Republic rests.*"—Andrew Jackson, Seventh President of the United States.

"The moral principles and precepts contained in the Scriptures ought to form the basis of all our civil constitutions and laws. All the miseries and evils which men suffer from vice, crime, ambition, injustice, oppression, slavery, and war, proceed from their despising or neglecting the precepts contained in the Bible."—Noah Webster

A SUMMARY OF THE COMMUNIST MANIFESTO

The Communist Manifesto represents a misguided philosophy, which teaches the citizens to give up their **RIGHTS** for the sake of the "common good," but it always ends in a police state. This is called preventive justice. Control is the key concept. Read carefully:

1. Abolition of private property.
2. Heavy progressive income tax.
3. Abolition of all rights of inheritance.
4. Confiscation of property of all emigrants and rebels.
5. Central bank.
6. Government control of Communication & Transportation
7. Government ownership of factories and agriculture.
8. Government control of labor.
9. Corporate farms, regional planning.
10. Government control of education.

Conclusion: "*Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people He has chosen as His own inheritance.*"—Psalm 33:12