

## The Galatians Agenda: The Truth About Paul's Epistle – Part 7

What does the Holy Spirit do to the flesh, to our lusts? What does living by the Laws of the Torah do to the flesh, to our lusts? The same thing. It ends up killing the flesh, crucifying us, as it were, with Messiah Yeshua.

### GALATIANS 5

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<p>1 Stand fast<sup>G4739</sup> therefore<sup>G3767</sup> in the<sup>G3588</sup> liberty<sup>G1657</sup> wherewith<sup>G3739</sup> Christ<sup>G5547</sup> hath made us free,<sup>G1659 G2248</sup> and<sup>G2532</sup> be not<sup>G3361</sup> entangled again with<sup>G1758 G3825</sup> the yoke<sup>G2218</sup> of bondage.<sup>G1397</sup></p>	<p>1 Stand firm therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and don't be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.</p>
<p>The liberty Paul speaks of is the freedom from religious dogmas that trap us and which baggage then we carry around.</p>	
<p>4 Christ<sup>G5547</sup> is become of no effect<sup>G2673</sup> unto you, whosoever<sup>G3748</sup> of you are justified<sup>G1344</sup> by<sup>G1722</sup> law;<sup>G3551</sup> ye are fallen<sup>G1601</sup> from grace.<sup>G5485</sup></p>	<p>4 You are alienated from Christ, you who desire to be justified by <b>Judaism</b>. You have fallen away from grace.</p>
<p>Who is it that has fallen from grace? Those who keep the Torah? No! The religious people!</p> <p>The perversion of Christian doctrine regarding juxtaposition of grace against the Torah is based on the misleading KJV which failed to italicize “<i>the</i>” when the Greek ‘nomos’ (Strong’s G3551) stands alone. This one error has had Christians believing that YHVH’s Law, the Torah, is the culprit in having us fall away from grace! Christian doctrine makes the Torah and grace enemies of each other! It is not the Torah that Paul is talking about here! It is Judaism! And in our day, we can add Christian law.</p> <p>The Torah is based on grace! Keeping YHVH’s Law always keeps you in a state of grace. Keeping the Torah is how Noah was found to be righteous (Genesis 6:9), one of the reasons he found grace in God’s eyes. Christian doctrine has this completely backward! YHVH’s Law was given to mankind out of His mercy to teach us how to live in His Kingdom so we can have His grace, His favor. No one receives grace through religious laws. We receive grace because we live by the Torah, the foundation of grace.</p>	

<p>5 For<sup>G1063</sup> we<sup>G2249</sup> through the Spirit<sup>G4151</sup> wait for<sup>G553</sup> the hope<sup>G1680</sup> of righteousness<sup>G1343</sup> by<sup>G1537</sup> faith.<sup>G4102</sup></p>	<p>5 For we, through the Spirit, by faith wait for the hope of righteousness.</p>
<p>6 For<sup>G1063</sup> in<sup>G1722</sup> Jesus<sup>G2424</sup> Christ<sup>G5547</sup> neither<sup>G3777</sup> circumcision<sup>G4061</sup> availeth<sup>G2480</sup> any thing,<sup>G5100</sup> nor<sup>G3777</sup> uncircumcision;<sup>G203</sup> but<sup>G235</sup> faith<sup>G4102</sup> which worketh<sup>G1754</sup> by<sup>G1223</sup> love.<sup>G26</sup></p>	<p>6 For in Christ Jesus neither [being a Jew] amounts to anything, nor [being a Gentile], but [pistis faith in the Promised Son] working through love.</p>
<p>7 Ye did run<sup>G5143</sup> well;<sup>G2573</sup> who<sup>G5101</sup> did hinder<sup>G348</sup> you<sup>G5209</sup> that ye should not<sup>G3361</sup> obey<sup>G3982</sup> the<sup>G3588</sup> truth?<sup>G225</sup></p>	<p>7 You were running well! Who interfered with you that you should not obey the truth?</p>
<p>8 This persuasion<sup>G3988</sup> cometh not<sup>G3756</sup> of<sup>G1537</sup> him that calleth<sup>G2564</sup> you.<sup>G5209</sup></p>	<p>8 This persuasion is not from him who calls you.</p>
<p>“Him who calls you” is Yeshua, and Yeshua did not call you to convert to Judaism.</p>	
<p>9 A little<sup>G3398</sup> leaven<sup>G2219</sup> leaveneth<sup>G2220</sup> the<sup>G3588</sup> whole<sup>G3650</sup> lump.<sup>G5445</sup></p>	<p>9 A little yeast grows through the whole lump.</p>
<p>Matthew 16:5 The disciples came to the other side and had forgotten to take bread.  Matthew 16:6 Jesus said to them, “Take heed and beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees.”  Matthew 16:7 They reasoned among themselves, saying, “We brought no bread.”  Matthew 16:8 Jesus, perceiving it, said, “Why do you reason among yourselves, you of little faith, ‘because you have brought no bread?’  Matthew 16:9 Don’t you yet perceive, neither remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many baskets you took up?  Matthew 16:10 Nor the seven loaves for the four thousand, and how many baskets you took up?  Matthew 16:11 How is it that you don’t perceive that I didn’t speak to you concerning bread? But beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees.”  Matthew 16:12 Then they understood that he didn’t tell them to beware of the yeast of bread, but of the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.</p>	

Today, let's add the teachings, the leaven, of the Catholic and Protestant churches to this.

10 I G1473 have confidence G3982 in G1519 you G5209 through G1722 the Lord, G2962 that G3754 ye will be none otherwise minded: G5426 G3762 G243 but G1161 he that troubleth G5015 you G5209 shall bear G941 his judgment, G2917 whosoever G3748 G302 he be. G5600

10 I have confidence toward you in [YHVH, Elohim] that you will think no other way. But he who troubles you will bear his judgment, whoever he is.

11 And G1161 I, G1473 brethren, G80 if G1487 I yet G2089 preach G2784 circumcision, G4061 why G5101 do I yet G2089 suffer persecution? G1377 then G686 is the G3588 offence G4625 of the G3588 cross G4716 ceased. G2673

11 But I, brothers, if I still preach circumcision, why am I still persecuted? Then the stumbling block of the cross has been removed.

David Guzik's commentary says: "Paul makes it clear that he no longer preaches the necessity of circumcision."

This, of course, is the Christian view. But Paul said he was still preaching circumcision and being persecuted for it, according to Paul himself, in this very scripture that Christian theologians say is Paul doing away with circumcision. How is he doing away with circumcision if he is still preaching it? And why was he still being persecuted if he was preaching circumcision? The answer is because he was preaching covenant circumcision but not conversion to Judaism.

Acts 16:1 He came to Derbe and Lystra: and behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a Jewess who believed; but his father was a Greek.

Acts 16:2 The brothers who were at Lystra and Iconium gave a good testimony about him.

Acts 16:3 Paul wanted to have him go out with him, and he took and circumcised him because of the Jews who were in those parts; for they all knew that his father was a Greek.

Paul had Timothy circumcised! The question is whether Paul converted Timothy to Judaism or did Paul circumcise Timothy according to the instructions given to Abraham? The latter is the case because the Jews gave Paul a hard time and falsely accused him (Acts 21:20-21).

Paul has spent all of his epistle so far rejecting Judaism circumcision. That means that the circumcision Paul preaches is the circumcision of the flesh for the seal of the covenant of Abraham that is now in the hearts of the Gentile converts. Paul's circumcision doctrine was not for conversion to Judaism. The Jews hated him for that!

Christianity uses this passage to say that men no longer need to be circumcised according to the instructions YHVH gave to Abraham in Genesis 17 which YHVH would later make part of the Torah. Circumcision is for the establishment of the covenant of Abraham in a man's

flesh. Male circumcision is YHVH's physical mark on him which is supposed to reveal his heart circumcision. We should want to be marked by YHVH!

Genesis 17:7 I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God to you and to your offspring after you.

Circumcision is not for establishing Judaism or Christianity! YHVH will establish the Abrahamic covenant for Abraham and his offspring, the 'zera' (Strong's H2233) throughout their generations FOREVER! Forever means unending. YHVH even says it is an everlasting covenant.

All males in YHVH's Millennial Kingdom must be circumcised in the flesh. Christians get this wrong! No one will enter YHVH's House uncircumcised in both flesh and heart.

Ezekiel 44:9 Thus says the Lord Yahweh, "No foreigner, uncircumcised in heart and uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my sanctuary, of any foreigners who are among the children of Israel.

If circumcision was required from the time of Abraham to Yeshua, and then Paul "did away" with circumcision, and then YHVH plans to bring back circumcision in our future, doesn't that make YHVH a fickle God and King? Doesn't it make Him a liar? Didn't He say He never changes (Numbers 23:19, Psalm 102:27, Malachi 3:6, Hebrews 13:8, James 1:17)?

If YHVH changes one of His Laws in the Torah, then we run the risk that He will change His mind about our salvation and all the other blessings He promised us in His Law. Yes, those blessings for us were written into the Torah! Do we really want those to go away?

By the way, by what authority did Paul "do away" with the Torah in the first place? Yeshua did not do away with the Torah (Matthew 5:17-19). Does Paul have greater authority than Yeshua, our Messiah, God and King?

12 I would G3785 they were even G2532 cut off G609 which trouble G387 you. G5209

12 I wish that those who disturb you would be cut off.

13 For, G1063 brethren, G80 ye G5210 have been called G2564 unto G1909 liberty; G1657 only G3440 use not G3361 liberty G1657 for G1519 an occasion G874 to the G3588 flesh, G4561 but G235 by G1223 love G26 serve G1398 one another. G240

13 For you, brothers, were called for freedom. Only don't use your freedom for gain to the flesh, but through love be servants to one another.

And now, here is where Paul turns all religious doctrine on its head, both Judaism and Christianity.

14 For **G1063** all **G3956** the law **G3551** is fulfilled **G4137** in **G1722** one **G1520** word, **G3056** even in **G1722** this; **G3588** Thou shalt love **G25** thy **G4675** neighbour **G4139** as **G5613** thyself. **G1438**

14 For all **Judaism** is fulfilled in one word, in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

All religions are, themselves, subject to the Torah and its Law of loving our neighbor as ourselves! This Law is not a religious law. Paul effectively put all believers right back under Kingdom Law with that statement. Contrary to what Jews and Christians think, there is no getting around or out from under being governed by the Torah. Religious law is just adding burden to YHVH's Law which He told us not to do in Deuteronomy 4:2 and 12:32. Rather than the Torah being a burden, it is religious law that is the burden.

And what happens when religious law fights with Kingdom Law?

15 But **G1161** if **G1487** ye bite **G1143** and **G2532** devour **G2719** one another, **G240** take heed **G991** that ye be not **G3361** consumed **G355** one of another. **G240**

15 But if you bite and devour one another, be careful that you don't consume one another.

Nothing causes more conflict between believers than some who are faithful to YHVH while others are rejecting Him to return to the flesh through religion. Some were converting to Judaism and the conflicts were splitting the Galatian congregations.

16 *This* I say **G3004** then, **G1161** Walk **G4043** in the Spirit, **G4151** and **G2532** ye shall not **G3364** fulfil **G5055** the lust **G1939** of the flesh. **G4561**

16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you won't fulfill the lust of the flesh.

Which Law does YHVH's Spirit walk by?

Ezekiel 36:27 I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes. You will keep my judgements and do them.

When we walk according to the Holy Spirit, we walk according to the spelled out and clearly defined Laws of YHVH and the result is that our flesh learns to submit to YHVH our God and King, a thing which flesh really doesn't want to do.

<p>17 For <sup>G1063</sup> the <sup>G3588</sup> flesh <sup>G4561</sup> lusteth <sup>G1937</sup> against <sup>G2596</sup> the <sup>G3588</sup> Spirit, <sup>G4151</sup> and <sup>G1161</sup> the <sup>G3588</sup> Spirit <sup>G4151</sup> against <sup>G2596</sup> the <sup>G3588</sup> flesh: <sup>G4561</sup> and <sup>G1161</sup> these <sup>G5023</sup> are contrary <sup>G480</sup> the one to the other: <sup>G240</sup> so that <sup>G2443</sup> ye cannot <sup>G3361</sup> do <sup>G4160</sup> the things <sup>G5023</sup> that <sup>G3739</sup> <sup>G302</sup> ye would. <sup>G2309</sup></p>	<p>17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, that you may not do the things that you desire.</p>
<p>18 But <sup>G1161</sup> if <sup>G1487</sup> ye be led <sup>G71</sup> of the Spirit, <sup>G4151</sup> ye are <sup>G2075</sup> not <sup>G3756</sup> under <sup>G5259</sup> the law. <sup>G3551</sup></p>	<p>18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under <b>Judaism</b>.</p>
<p>Christian doctrine says that if you walk according to the Holy Spirit then you are no longer being governed by, or “under”, the Torah. This makes no sense since the Holy Spirit is YHVH’s Spirit and He gave us His Law to school our flesh into submission to Him. Here again, is another misinterpretation of correct doctrine. If you are led by the Holy Spirit, you walk in YHVH’s Law not in Judaism law. Those are your 2 choices in Galatians. Nowadays, we also have Christian law. You do walk according to <u>a Law</u>, but it is religious law, Judaism or Christianity, that you walk in. It is YHVH’s Law. Paul even says in Romans 2:12-14 that the Gentiles’ laws are, by nature, based on the Torah. No one gets away from the Torah! And particularly, we don’t get away from the Torah by the Holy Spirit who gave the Torah to mankind! It is nonsensical to say differently!</p>	
<p>19 Now <sup>G1161</sup> the <sup>G3588</sup> works <sup>G2041</sup> of the <sup>G3588</sup> flesh <sup>G4561</sup> are <sup>G2076</sup> manifest, <sup>G5318</sup> which <sup>G3748</sup> are <sup>G2076</sup> these; Adultery, <sup>G3430</sup> fornication, <sup>G4202</sup> uncleanness, <sup>G167</sup> lasciviousness, <sup>G766</sup></p>	<p>19 Now the deeds of the flesh are obvious, which are: adultery, fornication [all sexual sin], uncleanness, lustfulness,</p>
<p>20 Idolatry, <sup>G1495</sup> witchcraft, <sup>G5331</sup> hatred, <sup>G2189</sup> variance, <sup>G2054</sup> emulations, <sup>G2205</sup> wrath, <sup>G2372</sup> strife, <sup>G2052</sup> seditions, <sup>G1370</sup> heresies, <sup>G139</sup></p>	<p>20 idolatry, sorcery, hatred, strife, jealousies, outbursts of anger, rivalries, divisions, heresies,</p>
<p>21 Envyings, <sup>G5355</sup> murders, <sup>G5408</sup> drunkenness, <sup>G3178</sup> revellings, <sup>G2970</sup> and <sup>G2532</sup> such <sup>G5125</sup> like: <sup>G3664</sup> of the which <sup>G3739</sup> I tell you before, <sup>G4302</sup> <sup>G5213</sup> as <sup>G2531</sup> I have also <sup>G2532</sup> told you in</p>	<p>21 envy, murders, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these; of which I forewarn you, even as I also forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit God’s Kingdom.</p>

time past, G4277 that G3754 they which do G4238 such things G5108 shall not G3756 inherit G2816 the kingdom G932 of God. G2316

The Galatian synagogues were full of the practices of the Jews and the Greeks. The proselytizing of the Jews was leading to hatred, strife, jealousy, anger, envy, rivalries, divisions and Judaism was the heresy behind all that. But the Greeks were, apparently, reintroducing sexual sins, drunkenness, orgies and lust, even murders, all leading to uncleanness (a Torah legal requirement).

If the Torah was done away, then Paul could not have leaned on the Torah's prohibition of such things.

The fruit of walking in the Spirit in Torah obedience leads to:

22 But G1161 the G3588 fruit G2590 of the G3588 Spirit G4151 is G2076 love, G26 joy, G5479 peace, G1515 longsuffering, G3115 gentleness, G5544 goodness, G19 faith, G4102

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faith [pistis faith doctrine in the Promised Son],

23 Meekness, G4236 temperance: G1466 against G2596 such G5108 there is G2076 no G3756 law. G3551

23 gentleness, and self-control. Against such things there is no Judaism.

Judaism is unnecessary when people walk in YHVH's Spirit. Religion cannot produce the fruit of the Spirit. Obeying YHVH's Law produces the fruit of the Spirit in us. You actually have to be walking in the Torah to get these benefits because the Torah subdues, even conquers, the flesh.

Ironically, Christians use Galatians 5:22-23 as a new kind of law through which they judge others. They want to be "lawless", without Torah, yet they use Paul's list of the fruits of the Spirit as **a law** by which they criticize, render judgement, and then execute whatever punishment they deem to be correct when they have decided someone is not demonstrating these fruits well enough. The problem with this is that those fruits are just words which are subject to each person's definitions of them through their own flesh, not according to the way the Torah defines them.

Through this, religious people become **a law** unto themselves (like the Gentiles were in Romans 2:14). The problem with someone's flesh rendering judgement of the fruits of the Spirit is that the flesh does not, nor can it, understand what produces those fruits. That is because the flesh rejects the Law of YHVH. Each of those fruits has statutes and judgements in the Torah that, if we do them, produces those fruits because religion, neither Judaism or Christianity, can produce the fruits of the Spirit.

24 And G1161 they G3588 that are Christ's G5547 have crucified G4717 the G3588 flesh G4561 with G4862 the G3588 affections G3804 and G2532 lusts. G1939

24 Those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and lusts.

How do we crucify our flesh? Through obedience to YHVH's Law. The Torah is designed to conquer and submit our flesh to His will. Yeshua's self-surrender to the Law of sin which causes death was shown to us in the Torah. It is the reason He had to come. He surrendered to the Torah for the greater good of YHVH's Kingdom. This is the example we follow. Like Him, we are to surrender to the Torah. It is the Torah's system by which we lay our lives down, not to our own physical death, but to walk according to the Spirit of God, as Yeshua did, instead of the spirit of our flesh which is lawless. If we reject YHVH's system for our surrender to His Spirit, then we miss the point and can miss entering His Kingdom.

Another point: Since the Law requires death for sins which Yeshua paid for us because we cannot do this for ourselves. If the Law is done away, then Yeshua's death on the Cross was for nothing.

And if we refuse to walk in the Torah, it is the same as us refusing to be crucified with Yeshua Messiah.

25 If G1487 we live G2198 in the Spirit, G4151 let us also G2532 walk G4748 in the Spirit. G4151

25 If we live by the Spirit, let's also walk by the Spirit.

If we now have been given life through God's Holy Spirit, then let's act like it. That's what Paul is saying. Let's not claim one thing and do another. Let's not claim to be born of YHVH's Spirit and then live by the flesh.

26 Let us not G3361 be G1096 desirous of vain glory, G2755 provoking G4292 one another, G240 envying G5354 one another. G240

26 Let's not become conceited, provoking one another, and envying one another.

If it has "ism" or "ity" on the end of its word, stay away from it! Judaism and Christianity constitute the Babylonian system we are to come out of. Come out of her, YHVH's people!

