**A Study of Galatians**

*Lesson 6: Gal 3:15-4:7 –* The Law: A Tutor Leading to Christ

***Galatians 3:15-4:7***

***15*** Brethren, I speak in the manner of men: Though [it is] only a man's covenant, yet [if it is] confirmed, no one annuls or adds to it.   ***16*** Now to Abra-ham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ.   ***17*** And this I say, [that] the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect.   ***18*** For if the in-heritance [is] of the law, [it is] no longer of promise; but God gave [it] to Abra-ham by promise.   ***19*** What purpose then [does] the law [serve?] It was add-ed because of transgressions, till the Seed should come to whom the promise was made; [and it was] appointed through angels by the hand of a media-tor.   ***20***Now a mediator does not [medi-ate] for one [only,] but God is one.   ***21*** [Is] the law then against the promises of God? Certainly not! For if there had been a law given which could have giv-en life, truly righteousness would have been by the law.   ***22*** But the Scripture has confined all under sin, that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.   ***23***But before faith came, we were kept under guard by the law, kept for the faith which would afterward be revealed.   ***24*** Therefore the law was our tutor [to bring us] to Christ, that we might be justified by faith.   ***25***But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor.

**1. The Covenant with Abraham and the Law of**

**Moses: Two Different Entities – 3:15-18**

1. 3:15 – Principle:
2. 3:27 – Law of Moses 436 years
3. 3:16 – SEED

**2. The Purpose of the Law – 3:19-25**

1. Transgression 3:19

***Galatians 3:15-4:7***

***26***For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.   ***27***For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.   ***28***There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.   ***29*** And if you [are] Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

***4:1*** Now I say [that] the heir, as long as he is a child, does not differ at all from a slave, though he is master of all,   ***2*** but is under guardians and stewards until the time appointed by the father.   ***3*** Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world.   ***4*** But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law,   ***5*** to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.   ***6***And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!"   ***7***Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

1. Mediator 3:20
2. Truly by the LAW 3:21

1. CONFINED/UNDER the LAW 3:22-23
2. TUTOR 3:24.

**3. Sonship for All – 3:26-4:7**

A. Pinnacle – 3:26.

**Questions:**

1. Describe the frame of mind these truths should produce in the Christian.