

/We will begin with the fourth lecture on the book of Galatians. / Today's chapter will be chapter 4. / The title of chapter 4 is "Inheritance." / The following are the main subjects. / First, being subject to guardians. / Verses 1-5. / Second, the Spirit of the Son is given. / Verses 6-7. /

/Third, do not go back to the basic principles of the world. / Verses 8-11. / Fourth, invitation for the pastor. / Verses 12-15. / Fifth, conflict with the pastor. / Verses 16-18. / Sixth, work of the pastor. / Verses 19-20. / Seventh, the parable of two women. / Verses 21-28. / Eighth, son of the flesh and son of the spirit. / Verses 29-31.

/Verse 1. / What I am saying is that as long as the heir is a child, he is no different from a slave, although he owns the whole estate.

/The son of the master is the heir. / However, when he was young, he is put under the care of a guardian. / In the same way, we also are under the law when our faith is young.

/Verse 2. / He is subject to guardians and trustees until the time set by his father.

/Here, there are guardians. / The guardians take care of young children after their parents' deaths. / The son's father passed away early. / There are cases when the uncle becomes a legal guardian for the child.

/When the boy grows up, he no longer needs a guardian. / Here, trustees are those who take care of the inheritance. / Here, the guardians and trustees symbolize the law.

/Verse 3. / So also, when we were children, we were in slavery under the basic principles of the world.

/We do not have freedom of the gospel when our faith is young. / We were slaves of the basic principles of the world. / These are basic principles. / The law is like the basic principles.

/Religious institutions and rituals are basic principles. / World philosophy and science are

basic principles. / They are substandard principles. / The gospel is a higher principle.

/Verses 4-5. / But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons.

/When the time had fully come, God sent his Son. / Jesus was born of a woman, under the law. / He came as the son of a woman. / All humans are born into this world through man.

/However, Christ alone came into the earth through a woman, without a man. / Why was Jesus born under the law? / First, Jesus was born through a woman of Adam's offspring so that He could save Adam's descendants. / Second, Jesus had to be born under the law in order to save those who were under the law.

/Hence, Jesus died in the place of man. / He completed righteousness according to what the law demands. / Also, Christ died on the cross to pay for our sins. / Here, "redeem" means to get something by paying the price for it.

/Jesus paid the price for our sins, and he liberated us from the law. / Jesus saved us from restrictions of the law and from sin and death.

/Verse 6. / Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba , Father."

/Believers became sons of God when they believed in Jesus. / When we believed, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts. / Here, "the Spirit of his Son" is the Holy Spirit. / Here, "Abba" is "Father" in Aramaic.

/Koreans call their fathers, "Appa." / What do the Chinese call their fathers? / Americans call their fathers, "Papa." / They are all similar. / Children instinctively call their fathers "Abba."

/Believers call their heavenly Father, "Abba, Father." / Believers call God, Father, by their spiritual instincts. / We all are sons of God. / There is no other religion in this world that calls

God, Father.

/Only Christians call God, Father. / God is the one who gave us life. / God is the source of life.

/Verse 7. / So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an heir.

/We became sons, not slaves. / We became heirs of God. / This is because we are God's sons. / Matthew 25:34 / Believers will receive the inheritance of heaven.

/Verse 8. / Formerly, when you did not know God, you were slaves to those who by nature are not gods.

/Here, it says, "when you did not know God." / When we did not know God, we served idols. / We were slaves of the devil.

/Verse 9. / But now that you know God--or rather are known by God--how is it that you are turning back to those weak and miserable principles? Do you wish to be enslaved by them all over again?

/Now, we believed Jesus as Savior. / Those who believed in Jesus came to know God. / God knows us as well. / Believers belong to God, and God belongs to the believers. / God and we are in spiritual communication with each other.

/Therefore, believers must not return to the weak and miserable principles. / It is foolish to return to the basic principles after having believed. / Here, the "principles" indicate the basic world principles. / They are the basic religious principles.

/Here, it indicates the law. / It means to observe the special days and months and seasons and years. / Verse 11. / Here, it refers to the rituals of the law and institutions and other rituals.

/We were freed from the law through faith in Jesus. / We received spiritual life and freedom by faith. / Therefore, we must no longer be slaves to the law.

/Verses 10-11. / You are observing special days and months and seasons and years! I fear for you, that somehow I have wasted my efforts on you.

/Here, the “days” indicate Saturday, which is the Sabbath day. / Here, “months” indicate the New Moon. / “Seasons” indicate times like the Passover, the Feast of Tabernacles, and the Pentecost. / “Years” indicate sabbatical years and the year of Jubilee.

/These are the basic principles and the rituals of the law. / We must not be slaves to such things. / If we become slaves of worldly principles, it becomes meaningless to those who shared the gospel with us. / Believers must not be bound by the law.

/The foundation of the gospel falls when believers follow the law. / Thus, it means to destroy the basics of the gospel and rebuild it.

/Verse 12. / I plead with you, brothers, become like me, for I became like you. You have done me no wrong.

/This means to forsake the rituals and customs of the law. / We become like Gentiles if we follow the rituals of the law. / Now, the believers at Galatia were to come out of the rituals of the law in faith and love. / It means that they were not to be bound by the rituals of the law.

/It means to enjoy spiritual freedom as Paul did. / Paul said, “You have done me no wrong.” / Believers in Galatia received the right gospel before. / They believed the things that Paul preached to them.

/They also loved Paul and did not harm him. / Yet, now they were making Paul worried with the problem of circumcision.

/Verse 13. / As you know, it was because of an illness that I first preached the gospel to you.

/Paul went to Galatia to rest because he was physically ill. / Then Paul preached the gospel there. / Then he built the church at Galatia. / We do not know what illness Paul had. / However, it can be presumed that Paul had an illness regarding his eyes. / Verse 15.

/Verse 14. / Even though my illness was a trial to you, you did not treat me with contempt or scorn. Instead, you welcomed me as if I were an angel of God, as if I were Christ Jesus himself.

/Paul had a severe illness regarding his eyes, and he could have been scorned upon by people. / However, the people received the gospel that Paul preached. / They also did not treat Paul with contempt or scorn. / Instead, they welcomed Paul as if he were an angel of God or Christ Jesus Himself.

/We must welcome servants who preach the right gospel. / Those who welcome true prophets welcome Jesus. / Luke 10:16 / Matthew 10:40 / Therefore, those who welcome God's true servants like Christ Jesus will receive blessings.

/Verse 15. / What has happened to all your joy? I can testify that, if you could have done so, you would have torn out your eyes and given them to me.

/The believers at Galatia treated Paul like an angel. / However, they received a different gospel through false teachers not long after. / Then the belief of circumcision entered the church. / Then the believers at Galatia no longer respected Paul.

/They rejected Paul. / By doing this, they left God's grace and blessings. / Whoever slanders and rejects God's true servants will not receive blessings. / It is true that pastors have flaws. / Pastors have faults and shortcomings.

/Moses, Peter, and Abraham has shortcomings. / Noah had his faults as well. / However, we must not slander God's servants by seeing their faults. / We must welcome them by seeing how God uses them. / God's servants are the God's tools of blessings of the salvation

movement. / Therefore, those who welcome God's servants will receive God's grace and blessings.

/Verse 16. / Have I now become your enemy by telling you the truth?

/Those who believe in the different gospel do not listen to the right gospel. / Rather, when we say that the different gospel is wrong, they consider us the enemies. / When Paul preached the right gospel, the people at Galatia considered Paul their enemy.

/Verse 17. / Those people are zealous to win you over, but for no good. What they want is to alienate you from us, so that you may be zealous for them.

/Those who preached the different gospel were zealous. / They were zealous about deceiving the believers. / However, the false prophets wanted to alienate the believers from Paul. / False prophets slander true pastors.

/Why do they do this? / False prophets do this because they want to be served. / We must mercilessly cut out all cults and false prophets. / John 2:10-11

/Verse 18. / It is fine to be zealous, provided the purpose is good, and to be so always and not just when I am with you.

/It is fine to be zealous for what is good. / It is good to work hard to build up the right gospel. / It is worthy to welcome those who preach the true gospel.

/We must be faithful for the true gospel. / However, when other people work hard for the different gospel, it is not good for us. / When people follow cults, they lose their wealth and the spiritual lives.

/Verse 19. / My dear children, for whom I am again in the pains of childbirth until Christ is formed in you,

/Paul worked hard as if he were in pain in childbirth for Christ to be formed in the believers at Galatia. / The believers at Galatia were once Christ-like. / However, a different gospel came to them.

/Hence, they chased after the different gospel and lost the image of Christ. / Therefore, Paul said that he would work hard again for the believers. / The image of Christ is righteousness, the truth, and holiness. / Ephesians 4:24

/The image of Christ is also goodness, love, wisdom, and knowledge. / Colossians 3:10 / We must be like Christ. / This means to grow in spirit. / Pastors must work hard for the believers. / They must have pains of childbirth.

/The pains of childbirth is great. / Paul made sacrifices for the faith of the believers. / Paul worked hard so that the believers would live by faith. / Paul worked with his life for the believers. / We must learn to have faith like Paul. / We must make sacrifices for believers. / We must work hard.

/Verse 20. / how I wish I could be with you now and change my tone, because I am perplexed about you!

/Paul rebuked the believers until now. / Yet, now, Paul wanted to visit the church at Galatia and encourage the believers. / Paul wanted to visit the church at Galatia and encourage the believers with a softer tone.

/Verse 21. / Tell me, you who want to be under the law, are you not aware of what the law says?

/In verses 21-28, Paul makes a comparison with two women. / He teaches the law and the gospel through this. / Those who chase after the different gospel are ultimately under the law. / This is truly foolish and is the way to curses.

/This is because those who attempt to gain righteousness through the law while under the law cannot receive righteousness for themselves. / Man cannot gain righteousness by observing the law. / Therefore, those who try to receive salvation by observing the law will receive curses. / That is because there is no one who can keep the law. / Galatians 3:10

/Verse 22. / For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by the slave woman and the other by the free woman.

/Abraham had two sons. / One was Ishmael, who was born from Hagar, the slave. / The other was Isaac, who was born from Sarah, Abraham's wife. / In verse 23, Paul said, the "son by the slave woman was born in the ordinary way."

/Ishmael was born of the flesh. / Isaac was born by the promise of God. / Ishmael, who was born of the slave woman, was born of the flesh. / Isaac, who was born through Sarah, was born as a result of a promise.

/God spoke to Abraham about the birth of Isaac. / God said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son." / Then Sarah gave birth to Isaac as God promised. / Therefore, Isaac is the child of a promise.

/Verses 24-25. / These things may be taken figuratively, for the women represent two covenants. One covenant is from Mount Sinai and bears children who are to be slaves : This is Hagar. Now Hagar stands for Mount Sinai in Arabia and corresponds to the present city of Jerusalem, because she is in slavery with her children.

/Paul taught the believers through the comparison of the two women. / The two women symbolize the two covenants. / Hagar's son Ishmael is like the law that God gave his people on Mount Sinai. / Just as Hagar and her son were slaves, those who are under the law are slaves to the law.

/Mount Sinai in Arabia is like Jerusalem today. / This is because the temple, the holy of holies, and the ark of the covenant are in Jerusalem. / People gave offerings in the temple according to the law. / Therefore, Jerusalem was the center of the law.



/Verse 26. / But the Jerusalem that is above is free, and she is our mother.

/Here, the mother symbolizes the covenant of the gospel of Christ. / It is the mother because we were born through the gospel. / 1 Corinthians 4:15 / We received salvation by faith in this promise. / The gospel is Jerusalem in heaven. / This is because the gospel is the spiritual truth, and it gives us spiritual life and freedom.

/Believers belong to Jerusalem in heaven. / Our salvation does not belong to the flesh. / It belongs to the spirit. / Philippians 3:20

/Verse 27. / For it is written : "Be glad, O barren woman, who bears no children; break forth and cry aloud, you who have no labor pains; because more are the children of the desolate woman than of her who has a husband."

/Here, Paul quoted Isaiah 54:1. / It says, "Be glad, O barren woman, who bears no children; you who have no labor pains." / It says that she is desolate. / These all refer to the gospel. / The gospel is not born of the flesh. / The gospel is born through the promise.

/Sarah had no hope in bearing children at the age of ninety. / However, she gave birth to Isaac through God's promise. / Isaac's descendants, believers of Christ, would prosper. / Here, the woman "who has a husband" symbolizes the law.

/Hagar gave birth to Ismael and it symbolizes the law.

/Thus, Christians who believe in the gospel will be more prosperous than Jews who keep the law. / At first, Sarah could not have children. / Hagar had a child.

/At first, it seemed as if Hagar succeeded. / However, later Sarah gave birth to Isaac when she was 90 years old. / God sent Christ through Isaac's descendants. / Isaac is the gospel and the promised child.

/Later, Isaac's descendants succeeded more than Ishmael's descendants. / Believers of Christ

prosper. / They have victory through the gospel. / The gospel has the final victory. / People cannot be saved through the law.

/Salvation is found only in the gospel. / In verse 28, it says, "Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise." / Those who believe in the gospel are children of promise like Isaac. / Hence, we will receive blessings and we will prosper.

/Verse 29. / At that time the son born in the ordinary way persecuted the son born by the power of the Spirit. It is the same now.

/Abraham had a son named Ishmael who was born of the flesh through Hagar. / Abraham also had a son named Isaac who was born through the promise. / However, Ishmael persecuted Isaac. / Genesis 21:9 / Therefore, those who are of the flesh persecute believers of the gospel.

/Even today, believers of the flesh persecute believers of the spirit. / Believers who walk down the wide road persecute believers who walk down the narrow road. / Faithless people persecute those who have faith. / There are believers of the flesh in the church, and there are believers of the spirit.

/When the time of hardships come, believers of the flesh will persecute believers of the spirit. / Still, we, the true believers, must continue to remain in the spirit. / We must not live by the flesh, but live by the spirit. / We must not live by the law, but live by the gospel.

/We must always put God's word at the center of our lives. / We must live by God's will. / We must receive the guidance of the Holy Spirit. / We must be prepared to receive persecutions. / The Bible says that those who attempt to live godly lives will receive persecutions.

/We were born through the Holy Spirit. / We were saved through the gospel. / We started with the Holy Spirit and we must end with the Holy Spirit. / We must begin with the true gospel and we must end with the true gospel.

/Verse 30. / But what does the Scripture say? "Get rid of the slave woman and her son, for the slave woman's son will never share in the inheritance with the free woman's son."

/Paul quoted Genesis 21:10-12. / Sarah told Abraham to get rid of Ishmael, who persecuted Isaac. / Ishmael would never share the inheritance with Isaac. / Those who are of the law cannot receive the same inheritance as those who are of the gospel.

/We must throw away the law. / We must throw away circumcision. / We must throw away Judaism. / We must throw away the basic principles. / We have become mature believers. / We must walk down the path of the gospel. / We will receive the inheritance of heaven like Isaac.

/Believers must cut off lies. / We must walk down the road of the spiritual truth. / We must walk down the narrow road. / We must walk down the road of life. / This is what makes God happy. / This is how we can receive spiritual blessings before God. / This is how we can have life.

/Verse 31. / Therefore, brothers, we are not children of the slave woman, but of the free woman.

/Christians are not children of the slave woman of the law. / We believers are children of the gospel, and we have free spirits. / True believers walk daily in the truth of the gospel. / Therefore, we enjoy spiritual freedom in the truth.

/We grow every day with new lives. / Therefore, we gained freedom through Jesus. / We became God's children. / We received salvation through faith in Jesus. / What a great blessing is this? / This is something to truly be thankful for, and it is God's grace.

/Here we will conclude the fourth lecture on Galatians. / Thank you.