

GALATIANS II (4:12-18)

“Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?”

– Gal 4:16

1. “Be as I am; for I am as ye are”

Redeemed *from* the law – Gal 4:3,5,9

Paul is free from the law though he was a Pharisee – Phil 3:5

The Galatians had the adoption of sons, they desired to serve God zealously – Gal 1:6, 14

Paul and the Galatians were on the same playing field before God – Rom 11:32

2. The mutual blessings of Grace

Paul's charitable position towards the Galatians – 4:13

The charitable attitude of the Galatians – 4:14-16

The blessedness – happiness, joy, goodness –

The blessing of the one body – 1 Cor 10:16

Living not unto yourself – 2 Cor 5:15-16

1 Tim 1:5 and the end of the commandment

Charity which is by God's grace accomplishes what the law could not

3. Paul and his critics – 4:16

Galatians had been disparaging Paul for his lack of law-keeping – Gal 2:3-4

False apostles, deceitful workers - 2 Cor 11:5-13

Slandorously reported - Rom 3:5-7

Alexander the coppersmith withstood our words - 2 Tim 4:14-15

Unruly and vain talkers – Titus 1:10-11

Religious brethren and heresy – Acts 24:14

Enemies for the gospel – Rom 11:28

4. Misguided Zealousness – 4:17-18

Galatians were zealous of Israel and the law – Gal 4:9-10, 5:3-5

This misguided zeal was causing bitter strife – Gal 5:15

Paul handling misguided zeal - Acts 22:3

“They have a zeal of God but not according to knowledge” – Rom 10:2-3

Pentecostal verse and charismatic zeal – 1 Cor 14:12

“they would exclude you” – Gal 6:12-13

- Phil 3:2 – they would have confidence in your flesh

- Enemies of the cross - Phil 3:18

- Paul glories in their growing faith, not their flesh - 2 Thess 1:3-4

5. “Christ be formed in you” - 4:19

Mystery of the Gentiles – Col 1:27

Put on Christ – Col 3:10