

The law of Moses identified what acts were sin, and which ones were not. They assisted the Hebrew children in maintaining a secure relationship with God. The law of Christ (Gal. 6:2), the New Testament, is the law in effect today, and to it we owe our allegiance and obedience. Remember, *“where no law is, there is no transgression”* (Rom. 4:15).

4) ***“How turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements?”***

This worthy question is found in Galatians 4:9. The Holy Spirit wonders why any individual who has become a Christian would desire to go back to the Law of Moses. This position is described as having *“fallen from grace”* (Gal. 5:4). Peter similarly describes a Christian who travels back to the world. He writes, *“For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning. For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire”* (II Pet. 2:20-22). We must be faithful, and remain faithful.

5) ***“Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?”*** This thought-provoking question comes in Galatians 4:16. The truth, at all times and in all settings, must be dispensed. What is truth? Jesus said, *“thy word is truth”* (Jn. 17:17). There are results of teaching the truth, and unfortunately, they often are some sort of retaliation. Stephen taught the truth, yet *“When they (his audience) heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth...and stoned him”* (Acts 7:54,58). We simply need to teach the truth!

6) ***“Nevertheless what saith the scripture?”*** Behold, this demand in Galatians 4:30 really needs no explaining! What does the Bible say is the way to answer any and all Bible questions. What say ye?

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“GREAT GALATIAN QUESTIONS” by Larry R. Ping II

In Paul’s letter to the church in Galatia, he issued 18 questions. These questions were for the purpose of generating thought and contemplation. Take notice of some of the outstanding questions in this epistle.

1) ***“For do I now persuade men, or God?”*** Paul posed this query in Galatians 1:10. This is after the apostle had expressed great surprise at the Galatians being *“so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel”* (Gal. 1:6). Paul was making it clear that he, as a teacher of God’s Word, was only interested in pleasing the Almighty. We must strive for the same!

2) ***“O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth?”*** This inquiry was dispensed in Galatians 3:1. To “bewitch” is to “deceive.” Someone had come along and tricked the brethren in Galatia into not obeying the Lord. However, it must be noted, obeying the Lord is of utmost importance. The Thessalonians were warned about vengeance being exacted upon those who *“know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ”* (II Thess. 1:8). Jesus *“became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him”* (Heb. 5:9). We must obey the Father!

3) ***“Wherefore then serveth the law?”*** The man from Tarsus asked this question in Galatians 3:19. This is an obvious question based upon the amount of information in this epistle concerning the law of Moses and the law of Christ. Paul answered, *“It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come.”* *-continued-*

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BIBLE READING QUESTIONS

The Bible reading for Mar. 5-Mar. 11 spans Gal. 3:20-Eph. 1:23.

Answer the following questions based upon your reading.

- 1) What was the law identified as in Galatians 3:24?

- 2) “But it is _____ to be zealously affected _____ in a good thing, and not only when I am _____ with you” (Gal. 4:18).
- 3) Brethren are the children of whom, and not of whom (Gal. 4:31)? _____
- 4) “For, brethren, ye have been called unto _____; only use not liberty for an occasion to the _____, but by love _____ one another” (Gal. 5:13).
- 5) What rule, which has been in place for all time, is stated in Galatians 6:7? _____

- 6) “And as many as _____ according to this _____, _____ be on them, and _____, and upon the Israel of God” (Gal. 6:16).
- 7) Over what is Jesus the head, and what is it identified as according to Eph. 1:22-23? _____

READING SCHEDULE AND MEMORY VERSES FOR THE DAYS OF MAR. 5-MAR. 11, 2023.

March 5, 2023: Gal. 3:20-Gal. 4:7

March 6, 2023: Gal. 4:8-Gal. 4:20

March 7, 2023: Gal. 4:21-Gal. 5:7

March 8, 2023: Gal. 5:8-Gal. 5:26

March 9, 2023: Gal. 6:1-Gal. 6:10

March 10, 2023: Gal. 6:11-Gal. 6:18

March 11, 2023: Eph. 1:1-Eph. 1:23

“Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth” (Gal. 5:7).

“Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God” (Php. 4:6).

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