

Gal. 3:25-29

- I. Christ has brought about the fulfillment of Salvation history (25-28)
 - A. Salvation History has changed our relation to the Law (25)
 - 1. Faith has come (25a)
 - Faith has come!
 - The Salvation Historical border has been crossed!
 - 2. Therefore: We are no longer under a Paidagogos (25b)
 - Just as a child is no longer under a guardian when come of age
 - B. Faith changes our relationship to the Lord (26-28)
 - 1. For you are all sons of God because of faith in Christ Jesus (26)
 - 2. All who come to Christ by faith have the same access to Christ (27-28)
 - a. Whoever is baptized into Christ is clothed with Christ (27)
 - 1) Whoever of you was baptized into Christ (27a)
 - 2) You have clothed yourself with Christ (27b)
 - Figurative: you have taken on the characteristics of Christ
 - That is, taken on the privileges of our feudal head/corporate solidarity
 - b. All people have the same access to salvation in Christ (28)
 - Specific application – emphasizing that “whoever” means “whoever” without distinction of ethnicity or social position or gender or anything else
 - 1) All types of people have the same access to salvation (28a-e)
 - There is no distinctions for justification
 - a) There is neither Jew nor Greek (28a-b)
 - (1) There is not a Jew (28a)
 - (2) Neither a Greek (28b)
 - b) There is neither slave nor free (28c-d)
 - (1) There is not a slave (28c)
 - (2) Neither a free person (28d)
 - c) There is not male and female (28e)
 - 2) Reason: You all are one in Christ Jesus (28f)
 - Note that in context, this is not necessarily erasing all distinction, but emphasizing that they don't matter for justification
- II. Therefore: If you are in Christ, you are heirs, the seed of Abraham (29)
 - A. Condition: If you are of Christ (29a)
 - B. Effect: Therefore, you are seed of Abraham, heirs according to promise (29b)