

GALATIANS
Sons of God
Galatians 3:23-29

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1. As it did for Israel, the law has an important function in _____ people for faith in Christ.

- a. The law keeps us under protective _____ and will not let go until it hands us over to Christ.

"The law was all the while standing guard over its subjects, watching and checking every attempt to _____, but intending to hand them over in due time to the charge of faith. ... (The law) prevents the sinner escaping to a futile and illusive freedom." - G.G. Findlay

- b. The law is a _____ that watches over and prepares us to be justified before God by faith in Christ.

2. When a person comes to faith in Jesus Christ it transforms their whole _____.

"Is the _____ so abolished that we have nothing to do with it? I answer, the law, so far as it is a rule of life, a bridle to keep us in the fear of the Lord, a spur to correct the sluggishness of our flesh,--so far, in short, as it is 'profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that believers may be instructed in every good work,' (2 Tim. 3:16-17)-- is as much in force as ever, and remains untouched." - John Calvin

- a. To be a Christian is to be one of the _____ of God.

1) When one is a son of God, they are in a state of intimate _____ with Christ.

2) Union with Christ is confessed and symbolized by _____.

- b. Christians have a _____ in Christ that transcends all social and physical differences.

- c. All Christians are _____ of God and will therefore inherit everything He has promised to His children.

"In relation to God's deity, I am a son or a daughter--a child of God. In relation to humanity, I am a brother or a sister of all God's children. In relation to _____, I belong to the one family God began in time and will keep for all eternity." - Philip Ryken