

fied by works of law, but through *the* faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order that we might be justified by *the* faith of Christ, and not by works of law; because by works of law shall no flesh be justified.

17. Now then, if we are seeking to be justified in Christ, *and* we ourselves are found to be sinners, *is* Christ then *the* minister of sin? **MAY IT NEVER BE!**

18. For if I build again those things that I destroyed, I am making myself a transgressor.

19. For I through law died to law, in order that I may live to God.

20. I have been crucified with Christ, yet I live. *However*, it is no longer I, but Christ lives in me. For *the* life that I am now living in *the* flesh, I live by faith—that *very* faith of the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.

21. I do not nullify the grace of God; for if righteousness *is* through *works* of law, then Christ died in vain.”

### CHAPTER THREE

1. O foolish Galatians, who has bewitched you *into* not obeying the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ, crucified, was set forth in a written public proclamation?

2. This only I desire to learn from you: did you receive the Spirit of God by works of law, or by *the* hearing of faith?

3. Are you so foolish? Having begun in *the* Spirit, are you now being perfected in *the* flesh?

4. Have you suffered so many things in vain, if indeed it *has been* in vain?

5. Therefore *consider this*: He Who is supplying the Spirit to you, and Who is working deeds of power among you, *is He doing it* by works of law or by *the* hearing of faith?

17 1 John 3:8  
19 Rom. 6:11,  
14, 8:2  
2 Cor. 5:15  
Heb. 9:14  
20 1 Pet. 4:2  
Rom. 6:6  
2 Cor. 5:15  
Eph. 5:2  
Tit. 2:14  
21 Rom. 11:6  
Heb. 7:11

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1 Gal. 2:14,  
5:7  
2 Acts 2:38  
Rom. 10:16  
Eph. 1:13  
Heb. 6:4  
3 Gal. 4:9  
Heb. 7:16  
4 2 John 8  
Heb. 10:35

6. *It is* exactly as *it is* written: “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him for righteousness.”

7. Because of this, *you should* understand that those who *are* of faith are the *true* sons of Abraham.

8. Now *in* the Scriptures, God, seeing in advance that He would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, *saying*, “In you shall all the nations be blessed.”

9. *It is* for this reason that those who are of faith are being blessed with the believing Abraham.

10. For as many as are *relying* on works of law are under a curse, because it is written, “Cursed *is* everyone who does not continue in all things that have been written in the book of the law to do them.”

11. Therefore, *it is* evident that no one is being justified before God by *means* of law; because *it is* written, “The just shall live by faith.”

12. Now then, the law is not based on faith; but, “The man who practices these things shall live in them.”

13. Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, “Cursed *is* everyone who hangs on a tree”);

14. In order that the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles by Christ Jesus, *and* that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

15. Brethren (I am speaking from a human perspective), even when a man’s covenant has been ratified, no one nullifies *it*, or adds a codicil to it.

16. Now to Abraham and to his Seed were the promises spoken. He does not say, “and to *your* seeds,” as of many; but as of one, “and to your Seed,” which is Christ.

17. Now this I say, *that the* covenant ratified beforehand by God to Christ cannot be annulled by the law, which

6 Gen. 15:6  
Jas. 2:23  
Rom. 4:3, 9  
7 John 8:39  
8 Gen. 12:3  
Acts 3:25  
Rom. 9:17  
10 Deut. 27:26  
Jer. 11:3  
11 Hab. 2:4  
Rom. 1:17  
Gal. 2:16  
Heb. 10:38  
12 Lev. 18:5  
Rom. 4:4, 5,  
10:5  
13 Deut. 21:23  
Rom. 8:3  
2 Cor. 5:21  
14 Is. 32:15  
Ezek. 11:19  
Acts 2:33  
Rom. 4:9  
15 Heb. 9:17  
16 Gen. 12:3  
1 Cor. 12:12  
17 Ex. 12:40  
Rom. 4:13