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Introduction

1 To the churches in Galatia, from Paul, an apostle whose commission is not from any human authority and is given, not by human beings, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father who raised him from the dead; ² and from all the followers of the Lord here. ³ May God, our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ, bless you and give you peace. For Christ, to rescue us from this age, ⁴ gave himself for our sins, in accordance with the will of our God and Father, ⁵ to whom all glory for ever and Amen.

6 I am astonished soon, who through the love of Christ, a different "good"

news|strong = "G2098",⁷ which|strong = "G3739" is|strong = "G1510" really|strong = "H2088" no|strong = "G3756" good|strong = "G3756" news|strong = "G2098" at|strong = "G3756" all|strong = "G2532". But|strong = "G2532" then|strong = "G2532", I|strong = "G3739" know|strong = "H3045" that|strong = "G3739" there|strong = "G2532" are|strong = "G1510" people|strong = "G1510" who|strong = "G3739" are|strong = "G1510" harassing you|strong = "G5210", and|strong = "G2532" who|strong = "G3739" want|strong = "G2309" to|strong = "G2532" pervert|strong = "G3344" the|strong = "G2532" good|strong = "G3756" news|strong = "G2098" of|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532" Christ|strong = "G5547".⁸ Yet|strong = "G2532" even|strong = "G2532" if|strong = "G1437" we|strong = "G2249" – or|strong = "G2228" if|strong = "G1437" an|strong = "G2532" angel|strong = "H4397" from|strong = "G1537" heaven|strong = "G3772" were|strong = "G1510" to|strong = "G2532" tell|strong = "H5046" you|strong = "G5210" any|strong = "G1437" other|strong = "G3739" "good|strong = "G2097" news|strong = "G2097" than|strong = "G2228" that|strong = "G3739" which|strong = "G3739" we|strong = "G2249" told|strong = "H5046" you|strong = "G5210", may|strong = "G2532" he|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1510" accused|strong = "H2764"!⁹ We|strong = "G3739" have|strong = "G2532" said|strong = "G3004" it|strong = "G2532" before|strong = "G3844", and|strong = "G2532" I|strong = "G3739" repeat|strong = "H6286" it|strong = "G2532" now|strong = "G2532" – If|strong = "G1487" anyone|strong = "G5100" tells|strong = "H1696" you|strong = "G5210" a|strong = "G5613" "good|strong = "G2097" news|strong = "G2097" other|strong = "G3739" than|strong = "G3844" that|strong = "G3739" which|strong = "G3739" you|strong = "G5210" received|strong = "G3880", may|strong = "G2532" he|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1510" accused|strong = "H2764"!

10Is|strong = "G1510" this|strong = "G3588", I|strong = "G1063" ask|strong = "H7592", trying|strong = "G2212" to|strong = "G2212" conciliate people|strong = "G1510", or|strong = "G2228" God|strong = "G2316"? Am|strong = "G1510" I|strong = "G1063" seeking|strong = "G2212" to|strong = "G2212" please|strong = "H4994" people|strong = "G1510"? If|strong = "G1487" I|strong = "G1063" were|strong = "G1510" still|strong = "G2089" trying|strong = "G2212" to|strong = "G2212" please|strong = "H4994" people|strong = "G1510", I|strong = "G1063" should|strong = "G2316" not|strong = "G3756" be|strong = "G1510" a|strong = "G1510" servant|strong = "G1401" of|strong = "G2316" Christ|strong = "G5547".

The|strong = "G3588" Independence of|strong = "G2316" the|strong = "G3588" Apostle's Gospel

11 I remind you, friends, that the good news I told is no mere human invention. ¹² I, at least, did not receive it from any human being, nor was I taught it, but it came to me through a revelation Jesus Christ made by Jesus Christ.

13 You heard, no doubt, of my conduct when I was devoted to Judaism – how I persecuted of God to an extent beyond belief to destroy it, ¹⁴ and how my devotion to Judaism, I surpassed many contemporaries among my own people in intense earnestness in upholding the traditions of my ancestors. ¹⁵ But when I had set me apart even before my birth, who called by his love, ¹⁶ saw fit to reveal his Son in me, so

that|strong = "G2443" I|strong = "G1473" might|strong = "G2532"
 tell|strong = "H5046" the|strong = "G1722" good|strong = "G2097"
 news|strong = "G2097" of|strong = "G5207" him|strong = "G3588"
 among|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" Gentiles|strong = "G1484",
 then|strong = "G2532" at|strong = "G1722" once|strong = "H6471",
 instead|strong = "H8478" of|strong = "G5207" consulting|strong = "H7592"
 any|strong = "G2443" human|strong = "G4561" being|strong = "G2532", ¹⁷
 or|strong = "G2532" even|strong = "G2532" going|strong = "G2532"
 up|strong = "G1519" to|strong = "G1519" Jerusalem|strong = "G2414"
 to|strong = "G1519" see|strong = "H7200" those|strong = "G3588"
 who|strong = "G3588" were|strong = "G3588" apostles
 before|strong = "G4253" me|strong = "G1473", I|strong = "G1473"
 went|strong = "G2532" to|strong = "G1519" Arabia|strong = "H6152",
 and|strong = "G2532" came|strong = "G2532" back|strong = "G3825"
 again|strong = "G3825" to|strong = "G1519" Damascus|strong = "G1154". ¹⁸
 Three|strong = "G5140" years|strong = "G2094" afterwards|strong = "G1899"
 I|strong = "G2532" went|strong = "G2532" up|strong = "G1519"
 to|strong = "G1519" Jerusalem|strong = "G2414" to|strong = "G1519"
 make|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G2532" acquaintance|strong = "H3045"
 of|strong = "G2250" Peter|strong = "G2532", and|strong = "G2532"
 I|strong = "G2532" stayed|strong = "G1961" a|strong = "G2532" fortnight
 with|strong = "G3326" him|strong = "G2532". ¹⁹ I|strong = "G1161"
 did|strong = "G3361" not|strong = "G3756", however|strong = "G1161",
 see|strong = "G3708" any|strong = "G1487" other|strong = "G2087" apostle,
 except|strong = "G1487" James|strong = "G2385", the|strong = "G1161"
 Master's|strong = "G2962" brother|strong = "H0251". ²⁰
 (As|strong = "G1161" to|strong = "G3756" what|strong = "G3739"
 I|strong = "G3739" am|strong = "G3588" now|strong = "G1161"
 writing|strong = "G1125" to|strong = "G3756" you|strong = "G5210",
 I|strong = "G3739" call|strong = "H7121" God|strong = "G2316"
 to|strong = "G3756" witness|strong = "H5707" that|strong = "G3754"
 I|strong = "G3739" am|strong = "G3588" speaking|strong = "H1696"
 the|strong = "G1161" truth|strong = "H0571"). ²¹
 Afterwards|strong = "G1899" I|strong = "G2532" went|strong = "G2064"
 to|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G2532" districts|strong = "H1366"
 of|strong = "G2532" Syria|strong = "G4947" and|strong = "G2532"
 Cilicia|strong = "G2791". ²² But|strong = "G1161" I|strong = "G1161"
 was|strong = "G1510" still|strong = "H5750" unknown|strong = "H3045"
 even|strong = "G1161" by|strong = "G1722" sight|strong = "G4383"
 to|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" Christian
 churches|strong = "G1577" in|strong = "G1722" Judea|strong = "G2449"; ²³
 all|strong = "G1161" that|strong = "G3754" they|strong = "G1161"
 had|strong = "G1510" heard|strong = "H8085" was|strong = "G1510" –
 "The|strong = "G1161" man|strong = "G3739" who|strong = "G3739"
 once|strong = "G4218" persecuted|strong = "G1377" us|strong = "G2097"
 is|strong = "G1510" now|strong = "G1161" telling|strong = "H1696"

the|strong = "G1161" good|strong = "G2097" news|strong = "G2097"
of|strong = "G4102" the|strong = "G1161" faith|strong = "G4102"
of|strong = "G4102" which|strong = "G3739" he|strong = "G1161"
once|strong = "G4218" tried|strong = "H6884" to|strong = "G1161"
destroy|strong = "G4199".²⁴ And|strong = "G2532" they|strong = "G2532"
praised|strong = "G1392" God|strong = "G2316" for|strong = "G1722"
my|strong = "G1722" sake|strong = "H4616".

2Fourteen|strong = "G1180" years|strong = "G2094"
afterwards|strong = "G1899" I|strong = "G2532" went|strong = "G2532"
up|strong = "G1519" to|strong = "G1519" Jerusalem|strong = "G2414"
again|strong = "G3825" with|strong = "G3326" Barnabas,
and|strong = "G2532" I|strong = "G2532" took|strong = "G2532"
Titus|strong = "G5103" also|strong = "G2532" with|strong = "G3326"
me|strong = "G1223".² It|strong = "G2532" was|strong = "G3588"
in|strong = "G1722" obedience|strong = "H3584" to|strong = "G1519"
a|strong = "G2532" revelation|strong = "H1540" that|strong = "G3739"
I|strong = "G3739" went|strong = "G2532"; and|strong = "G2532"
I|strong = "G3739" laid|strong = "G2532" before|strong = "G1722"
the|strong = "G1722" apostles the|strong = "G1722" good|strong = "G1380"
news|strong = "G2098" that|strong = "G3739" I|strong = "G3739"
am|strong = "G2532" proclaiming|strong = "G2784" among|strong = "G1722"
the|strong = "G1722" Gentiles|strong = "G1484". I|strong = "G3739"
did|strong = "G2532" this|strong = "G3588" privately|strong = "G2398"
before|strong = "G1722" those|strong = "G3588" who|strong = "G3739"
are|strong = "G3588" thought|strong = "G1380" highly|strong = "H3966"
of|strong = "G2532" because|strong = "G1722" I|strong = "G3739"
was|strong = "G3588" afraid|strong = "H3372" that|strong = "G3739"
I|strong = "G3739" might|strong = "G2532" possibly|strong = "H3045"
be|strong = "G2532" taking|strong = "H3947", or|strong = "G2228"
might|strong = "G2532" have|strong = "G2532" already|strong = "H3528"
taken|strong = "H3947", a|strong = "G2532" course|strong = "G5143"
which|strong = "G3739" would|strong = "G2532" prove|strong = "H5254"
useless|strong = "G2756".³ Yet|strong = "G3761" even|strong = "G3761"
my|strong = "G1473" companion|strong = "H7453", Titus|strong = "G5103",
though|strong = "H3588" a|strong = "G1510" Greek|strong = "G1672",
was|strong = "G1510" not|strong = "G3761" compelled|strong = "H5080"
to|strong = "G1510" be|strong = "G1510" circumcised|strong = "G4059".⁴
But|strong = "G1161", because|strong = "G1223" of|strong = "G1223"
those|strong = "G3588" who|strong = "G3739" pretended|strong = "H5060"
to|strong = "G2443" be|strong = "G2443" followers|strong = "G3588"
who|strong = "G3739" had|strong = "G2192" stolen|strong = "H1589"
in|strong = "G1722", the|strong = "G1722" intruders who|strong = "G3739"
had|strong = "G2192" crept in|strong = "G1722" to|strong = "G2443"
spy|strong = "G2684" on|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"

liberty|strong = "G1657" which|strong = "G3739" we|strong = "G2249"
 have|strong = "G2192" through|strong = "G1223" union|strong = "H2260"
 with|strong = "G1722" Christ|strong = "G5547" Jesus|strong = "G2424",
 in|strong = "G1722" order|strong = "G2443" to|strong = "G2443"
 bring|strong = "G2615" us|strong = "G2249" back|strong = "H7725"
 to|strong = "G2443" slavery|strong = "H5650" – ⁵ Why|strong = "G2443",
 we|strong = "G3739" did|strong = "G3588" not|strong = "G3761"
 for|strong = "G4314" a|strong = "G4314" moment|strong = "G5610"
 yield|strong = "G1502" submission|strong = "H1844" to|strong = "G4314"
 them|strong = "G3588", so|strong = "G2443" that|strong = "G2443"
 the|strong = "G4314" truth|strong = "H0571" of|strong = "G2098"
 the|strong = "G4314" good|strong = "G3588" news|strong = "G2098"
 might|strong = "G5610" be|strong = "G2443" yours|strong = "G4771"
 always|strong = "H3605"! ⁶ Of|strong = "G2316" those|strong = "G3588"
 who|strong = "G3588" are|strong = "G1510" thought|strong = "G1380"
 somewhat|strong = "G5100" highly|strong = "H3966" of|strong = "G2316" –
 what|strong = "G3588" they|strong = "G1161" once|strong = "G4218"
 were|strong = "G1510" makes|strong = "G1308" no|strong = "G3756"
 difference|strong = "G1308" to|strong = "G3756" me|strong = "G1473";
 God|strong = "G2316" does|strong = "G1510" not|strong = "G3756" recognise
 human|strong = "H0120" distinctions – those|strong = "G3588",
 I|strong = "G1473" say|strong = "G1473", who|strong = "G3588"
 are|strong = "G1510" thought|strong = "G1380" highly|strong = "H3966"
 of|strong = "G2316" added|strong = "G4323" nothing|strong = "G3762"
 to|strong = "G3756" my|strong = "G1473" message|strong = "H1697". ⁷
 On|strong = "G4061" the|strong = "G3588" contrary|strong = "G5121",
 they|strong = "G3588" saw|strong = "G3708" that|strong = "G3754"
 I|strong = "G3754" had|strong = "G3588" been|strong = "H1961"
 entrusted|strong = "G4100" with|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G3588"
 good|strong = "G3588" news|strong = "G2098" for|strong = "G3754"
 the|strong = "G3588" Gentiles|strong = "H1471", just|strong = "G2531"
 as|strong = "G2531" Peter|strong = "G4074" had|strong = "G3588"
 been|strong = "H1961" for|strong = "G3754" the|strong = "G3588"
 Jews|strong = "H3064". ⁸ For|strong = "G1063" he|strong = "G2532"
 who|strong = "G3588" gave|strong = "G2532" Peter|strong = "G4074"
 power|strong = "H3027" for|strong = "G1063" his|strong = "G1519"
 mission|strong = "H1870" to|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G2532"
 Jews|strong = "H3064" gave|strong = "G2532" me|strong = "G1473",
 also|strong = "G2532", power|strong = "H3027" to|strong = "G1519"
 go|strong = "G1519" to|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G2532"
 Gentiles|strong = "G1484". ⁹ Recognising the|strong = "G2532"
 charge|strong = "H4931" entrusted|strong = "H6485" to|strong = "G1519"
 me|strong = "G1325", James|strong = "G2385", Peter|strong = "G2532",
 and|strong = "G2532" John|strong = "G2491", who|strong = "G3588"
 were|strong = "G1510" regarded|strong = "G1380" as|strong = "G1519"
 pillars|strong = "G4769" of|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532" church,

openly|strong="H5869" acknowledged|strong="H3045" Barnabas and|strong="G2532" me|strong="G1325" as|strong="G1519" fellow|strong="H7453" workers|strong="H6466", agreeing|strong="G2249" that|strong="G2443" we|strong="G2249" should|strong="G3588" go|strong="G1519" to|strong="G1519" the|strong="G2532" Gentiles|strong="G1484", and|strong="G2532" they|strong="G2532" to|strong="G1519" the|strong="G2532" Jews|strong="H3064". ¹⁰ Only|strong="G3440" we|strong="G3739" were|strong="G3588" to|strong="G2443" remember|strong="G3421" the|strong="G2532" poor|strong="G4434" – the|strong="G2532" thing|strong="G3778" I|strong="G3739" was|strong="G3588" myself|strong="H0589" anxious|strong="H1672" to|strong="G2443" do|strong="G4160". ¹¹ But|strong="G1161", when|strong="G3753" Peter came|strong="G2064" to|strong="G1519" Antioch, I|strong="G1161" opposed|strong="G2596" him|strong="G1519" to|strong="G1519" his|strong="G1519" face|strong="G4383"; for|strong="G3754" he|strong="G1161" stood|strong="H5975" self-condemned. ¹² Before|strong="G4253" certain|strong="G5100" persons|strong="G1537" came|strong="G2064" from|strong="G1537" James|strong="G2385", he|strong="G2532" had|strong="G2532" been|strong="G2532" in|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532" habit|strong="H5056" of|strong="G1537" eating|strong="H0398" with|strong="G3326" the|strong="G2532" Gentile|strong="G1484" converts|strong="H7725"; but|strong="G1161", when|strong="G3753" they|strong="G2532" came|strong="G2064", he|strong="G2532" began|strong="G1161" to|strong="G2532" withdraw|strong="G5288" and|strong="G2532" hold|strong="H2388" aloof|strong="H4480", because|strong="G1063" he|strong="G2532" was|strong="G3588" afraid|strong="G5399" of|strong="G1537" offending those|strong="G3588" who|strong="G3588" still|strong="G2064" held|strong="H2388" to|strong="G2532" circumcision|strong="G4061". ¹³ The|strong="G2532" rest|strong="G3062" of|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532" Jewish|strong="G2453" converts|strong="H7725" were|strong="G3588" guilty|strong="H0816" of|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532" same|strong="G2532" hypocrisy|strong="G5272", so|strong="G2532" that|strong="G3588" even|strong="G2532" Barnabas was|strong="G3588" led|strong="H1980" away|strong="G4879" by|strong="G2532" it|strong="G2532". ¹⁴ But|strong="G2532", when|strong="G3753" I|strong="G2532" saw|strong="G3708" that|strong="G3754" they|strong="G2532" were|strong="G3588" not|strong="G3756" dealing straightforwardly with|strong="G4314" the|strong="G2532" truth|strong="H0571" of|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532" good|strong="G3956" news|strong="G2098", I|strong="G2532" said|strong="G3004" to|strong="G4314" Peter|strong="G2532", before|strong="G1715" them|strong="G3588" all|strong="G3956", ‘If|strong="G1487" you|strong="G4771", who|strong="G3588”

were|strong = "G3588" born|strong = "H3205" a|strong = "G2532"
 Jew|strong = "G2453", adopt Gentile|strong = "G1484"
 customs|strong = "H2708", instead|strong = "H8478" of|strong = "G2532"
 Jewish|strong = "G2453", why|strong = "G3754" are|strong = "G3588"
 you|strong = "G4771" trying|strong = "H1156" to|strong = "G4314"
 compel|strong = "H5647" the|strong = "G2532" Gentile|strong = "G1484"
 converts|strong = "H7725" to|strong = "G4314" adopt
 Jewish|strong = "G2453" customs|strong = "H2708"?'
 The|strong = "G2532" Law|strong = "H8451" and|strong = "G2532"
 the|strong = "G2532" Gospel|strong = "G2098"

15We|strong = "G2249", though|strong = "G2532" we|strong = "G2249"
 are|strong = "G2532" Jews|strong = "G2453" by|strong = "G1537"
 birth|strong = "H3205" and|strong = "G2532" not|strong = "G3756"
 sinners|strong = "H2400" of|strong = "G1537" Gentile|strong = "G1484"
 origin|strong = "H4351", know|strong = "G1537" that|strong = "G2532"
 no|strong = "G3756" one|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G2532"
 pronounced|strong = "H1696" righteous|strong = "H6662"
 as|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532" result|strong = "G1537"
 of|strong = "G1537" obedience|strong = "H3584" to|strong = "G2532"
 Law|strong = "H8451", but|strong = "G2532" only|strong = "G3756"
 through|strong = "G1537" faith|strong = "H0539" in|strong = "G2532" Christ
 Jesus|strong = "G2532". ¹⁶ So|strong = "G2443" we|strong = "G2249"
 placed|strong = "H5414" our|strong = "G2424" faith|strong = "G4102"
 in|strong = "G1519" Christ|strong = "G5547" Jesus|strong = "G2424",
 in|strong = "G1519" order|strong = "G2443" that|strong = "G3754"
 we|strong = "G2249" might|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G2532"
 pronounced|strong = "H1696" righteous|strong = "G1344",
 as|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G2532" result|strong = "G1537"
 of|strong = "G1537" faith|strong = "G4102" in|strong = "G1519"
 Christ|strong = "G5547", and|strong = "G2532" not|strong = "G3756"
 of|strong = "G1537" obedience|strong = "H3584" to|strong = "G1519"
 Law|strong = "G3551"; for|strong = "G3754" such|strong = "G1161"
 obedience|strong = "H3584" will|strong = "G2532" not|strong = "G3756"
 result|strong = "G1537" in|strong = "G1519" even|strong = "G2532"
 one|strong = "G3956" soul's|strong = "H5315" being|strong = "G2532"
 pronounced|strong = "H1696" righteous|strong = "G1344". ¹⁷
 If|strong = "G1487", while|strong = "G1722" seeking|strong = "G2212"
 to|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1096" pronounced|strong = "H1696"
 righteous|strong = "G1344" through|strong = "G1722"
 union|strong = "H2260" with|strong = "G1722" Christ|strong = "G5547",
 we|strong = "G2532" were|strong = "G1096" ourselves|strong = "G1096"
 seen|strong = "H7200" to|strong = "G2532" be|strong = "G1096"
 sinners|strong = "H2400", would|strong = "G1096" that|strong = "G2532"
 make|strong = "G2532" Christ|strong = "G5547" an|strong = "G2532" agent

of|strong = "G2532" sin|strong = "H2403"? Heaven|strong = "H8064"
 forbid|strong = "G1096"! ¹⁸ For|strong = "G1063", if|strong = "G1487"
 I|strong = "G3739" rebuild|strong = "G3618" the|strong = "G1063"
 things|strong = "G3778" that|strong = "G3739" I|strong = "G3739"
 pulled|strong = "H5265" down|strong = "G2647", I|strong = "G3739"
 prove|strong = "G4921" myself|strong = "G1683" to|strong = "G3825"
 have|strong = "G3778" done|strong = "H6213" wrong|strong = "H7451". ¹⁹
 I|strong = "G1473", indeed|strong = "G1063", through|strong = "G1223"
 Law|strong = "G3551" became|strong = "H3205" dead|strong = "H4191"
 to|strong = "G2443" Law|strong = "G3551", in|strong = "G2316"
 order|strong = "G2443" to|strong = "G2443" live|strong = "G2198"
 for|strong = "G1063" God|strong = "G2316". ²⁰ I|strong = "G1473"
 have|strong = "G2532" been|strong = "G2532" crucified|strong = "G4957"
 with|strong = "G1722" Christ|strong = "G5547". So|strong = "G2532"
 it|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G3588" no|strong = "G3765"
 longer|strong = "G3765" I|strong = "G1473" that|strong = "G3739"
 live|strong = "G2198", but|strong = "G1161" it|strong = "G2532"
 is|strong = "G3588" Christ|strong = "G5547" who|strong = "G3739"
 lives|strong = "G2198" in|strong = "G1722" me|strong = "G1473";
 and|strong = "G2532", as|strong = "G1722" for|strong = "G5228"
 my|strong = "G1722" present|strong = "G3568" earthly|strong = "G4561"
 life|strong = "G2198", I|strong = "G1473" am|strong = "G1473"
 living|strong = "G2198" it|strong = "G2532" by|strong = "G1722"
 faith|strong = "G4102" in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"
 Son|strong = "G5207" of|strong = "G5207" God|strong = "G2316",
 who|strong = "G3739" loved|strong = "H0157" me|strong = "G1473"
 and|strong = "G2532" gave|strong = "G3860" himself|strong = "G1438"
 for|strong = "G5228" me|strong = "G1473". ²¹ I|strong = "G1063"
 do|strong = "G1223" not|strong = "G3756" reject|strong = "H3988"
 the|strong = "G1223" love|strong = "H0157" of|strong = "G1223"
 God|strong = "G2316". If|strong = "G1487" righteousness|strong = "G1343"
 comes|strong = "H0935" through|strong = "G1223" Law|strong = "G3551",
 then|strong = "G1063" there|strong = "G1063" was|strong = "G3588"
 no|strong = "G3756" need|strong = "G1487" for|strong = "G1063"
 Christ|strong = "G5547" to|strong = "G3756" die|strong = "G1223"!

3Foolish|strong = "H3684" Galatians|strong = "G1052"
 Who|strong = "G3739" has|strong = "G5101" been|strong = "G5547"
 enchanting you|strong = "G5210" – you|strong = "G5210"
 before|strong = "G2596" whose|strong = "G3739" eyes|strong = "G3788"
 Jesus|strong = "G2424" Christ|strong = "G5547" was|strong = "G2424"
 depicted on|strong = "G2596" the|strong = "G2596" cross|strong = "H5674"?
² Here|strong = "G3778" is|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G1537"
 one|strong = "G3588" thing|strong = "G3778" that|strong = "G3588"
 I|strong = "G3778" want|strong = "G2309" to|strong = "G2309"

find|strong = "G3129" out|strong = "G1537" from|strong = "G1537"
 you|strong = "G5210" – Did|strong = "G3588" you|strong = "G5210"
 receive|strong = "G2983" the|strong = "G1537" Spirit|strong = "G4151"
 as|strong = "G3551" the|strong = "G1537" result|strong = "G1537"
 of|strong = "G1537" obedience|strong = "H3584" to|strong = "G2309"
 Law|strong = "G3551", or|strong = "G2228" of|strong = "G1537"
 your|strong = "G2983" having|strong = "G3129" listened|strong = "H8085"
 with|strong = "G1537" faith|strong = "G4102"? ³ Can|strong = "H4310"
 you|strong = "G1510" be|strong = "G1510" so|strong = "G3779"
 foolish|strong = "H3684"? After|strong = "G2005"
 beginning|strong = "H7225" with|strong = "G4151" what|strong = "G3779"
 is|strong = "G1510" spiritual|strong = "G4151", do|strong = "G1510"
 you|strong = "G1510" now|strong = "G3568" end|strong = "H7093"
 with|strong = "G4151" what|strong = "G3779" is|strong = "G1510" external?
⁴ Did|strong = "G2532" you|strong = "G1487" go|strong = "G2532"
 through|strong = "H3027" so|strong = "G2532" much|strong = "G5118"
 to|strong = "G2532" no|strong = "G2532" purpose|strong = "H6098"? –
 if|strong = "G1487" indeed|strong = "G2532" it|strong = "G2532"
 really|strong = "H2088" was|strong = "G2532" to|strong = "G2532"
 no|strong = "G2532" purpose|strong = "H6098"! ⁵ He|strong = "G2532"
 who|strong = "G3588" supplies|strong = "G2023" you|strong = "G5210"
 abundantly|strong = "H8317" with|strong = "G1722" his|strong = "G1722"
 Spirit|strong = "G4151" and|strong = "G2532" endows you|strong = "G5210"
 with|strong = "G1722" such|strong = "G3588" powers|strong = "G1411" –
 does|strong = "G2023" he|strong = "G2532" do|strong = "G2532"
 this|strong = "G3588" as|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"
 result|strong = "G1537" of|strong = "G1537" obedience|strong = "H3584"
 to|strong = "G2532" Law|strong = "G3551"? Or|strong = "G2228"
 as|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" result|strong = "G1537"
 of|strong = "G1537" your|strong = "G2532" having|strong = "G2532"
 listened|strong = "H8085" with|strong = "G1722" faith|strong = "G4102"? ⁶
 It|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G3588" just|strong = "G2531"
 as|strong = "G2531" it|strong = "G2532" was|strong = "G3588"
 with|strong = "G2532" Abraham|strong = "G4100" –

h e|strong = "G2532" had|strong = "G2532" faith|strong = "G4100"
 in|strong = "G1519" God|strong = "G2316", and|strong = "G2532"
 his|strong = "G1519" faith|strong = "G4100" was|strong = "G3588"
 regarded|strong = "G3049" by|strong = "G2532" God|strong = "G2316"
 as|strong = "G2531" righteousness|strong = "G1343". ⁷
 You|strong = "G3754" see|strong = "G1097", then|strong = "G3754",
 that|strong = "G3754" those|strong = "G3588" whose|strong = "G3588"
 lives|strong = "H5315" are|strong = "G1510" based|strong = "G1537"
 on|strong = "G1537" faith|strong = "G4102" are|strong = "G1510"
 the|strong = "G1537" sons|strong = "G5207" of|strong = "G1537"

Abraham|strong = "H0085". ⁸ And|strong = "G1161"
 scripture|strong = "G1124", foreseeing that|strong = "G3754"
 God|strong = "G2316" would|strong = "G2316" pronounce|strong = "H2930"
 the|strong = "G1722" Gentiles|strong = "G1484" righteous|strong = "G1344"
 as|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" result|strong = "G1537"
 of|strong = "G1537" faith|strong = "G4102", foretold the|strong = "G1722"
 good|strong = "G3956" news|strong = "H1319" to|strong = "G1722"
 Abraham|strong = "H0085" in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"
 words|strong = "H1697" –

“ Through|strong = "G1722" you|strong = "G4771" all|strong = "G3956"
 the|strong = "G1722" Gentiles|strong = "G1484" will|strong = "G2316"
 be|strong = "G3956" blessed|strong = "G1757".” ⁹ And|strong = "G4102",
 therefore|strong = "G5620", those|strong = "G3588" whose|strong = "G3588"
 lives|strong = "H5315" are|strong = "G3588" based|strong = "G1537"
 on|strong = "G1537" faith|strong = "G4102" share|strong = "H2506"
 the|strong = "G1537" blessings|strong = "H1293" bestowed|strong = "H5414"
 on|strong = "G1537" the|strong = "G1537" faith|strong = "G4102"
 of|strong = "G1537" Abraham|strong = "H0085". ¹⁰ All|strong = "G3956"
 who|strong = "G3739" rely|strong = "H8172" on|strong = "G1722"
 obedience|strong = "H3584" to|strong = "G1722" Law|strong = "G3551"
 are|strong = "G1510" under|strong = "G5259" a|strong = "G1722"
 curse|strong = "G2671", for|strong = "G1063" scripture|strong = "G1125"
 says|strong = "H0559" –

“ Cursed|strong = "G1944" is|strong = "G1510" everyone|strong = "G3956"
 who|strong = "G3739" does|strong = "G4160" not|strong = "G3756"
 abide|strong = "G1696" by|strong = "G1722" all|strong = "G3956"
 that|strong = "G3754" is|strong = "G1510" written|strong = "G1125"
 in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722" book|strong = "G3588"
 of|strong = "G1537" the|strong = "G1722" Law|strong = "G3551",
 and|strong = "G4160" do|strong = "G4160" it|strong = "G3754".” ¹¹
 Again|strong = "G1537", it|strong = "G3754" is|strong = "G3588"
 evident|strong = "G1212" that|strong = "G3754" no|strong = "G3762"
 one|strong = "G3762" is|strong = "G3588" pronounced|strong = "H1696"
 righteous|strong = "G1342" before|strong = "G3844" God|strong = "G2316"
 through|strong = "G1722" Law|strong = "G3551", for|strong = "G3754"
 we|strong = "G3754" read|strong = "H7121" –

“ Through|strong = "G1722" faith|strong = "G4102" the|strong = "G1722"
 righteous|strong = "G1342" will|strong = "G2316" find|strong = "H4672"
 life|strong = "G2198".” ¹² But|strong = "G1161" the|strong = "G1722"
 Law|strong = "G3551" is|strong = "G1510" not|strong = "G3756"
 based|strong = "G1537" on|strong = "G1722" faith|strong = "G4102”;

no|strong = "G3756", its|strong = "G1537" words|strong = "H1697"
are|strong = "G1510" –

“ Those|strong = "G3588" who|strong = "G3588" practice|strong = "G4160"
these|strong = "G4160" precepts|strong = "H6490" will|strong = "G1510"
find|strong = "H4672" life|strong = "G2198" through|strong = "G1722"
them|strong = "G3588".” ¹³ Christ|strong = "G5547"
ransomed|strong = "H6299" us|strong = "G2249" from|strong = "G1537"
the|strong = "G3956" curse|strong = "G2671" pronounced|strong = "H1696"
in|strong = "G1909" the|strong = "G3956" Law|strong = "G3551",
by|strong = "G1537" taking|strong = "G1096" the|strong = "G3956"
curse|strong = "G2671" on|strong = "G1909" himself|strong = "H5315"
for|strong = "G3754" us|strong = "G2249", for|strong = "G3754"
scripture|strong = "G1125" says|strong = "H0559" –

“ Cursed|strong = "G1944" is|strong = "G3588" anyone|strong = "G3956"
who|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G3588" hanged|strong = "G2910"
on|strong = "G1909" a|strong = "G1096" tree|strong = "G3586".” ¹⁴
And|strong = "G4151" this|strong = "G3588" he|strong = "G3588"
did|strong = "G1096" that|strong = "G2443" the|strong = "G1722"
blessing|strong = "G2129" given|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "G1519"
Abraham|strong = "H0085" might|strong = "G1484" be|strong = "G1096"
extended|strong = "H5186" to|strong = "G1519" the|strong = "G1722"
Gentiles|strong = "G1484" through|strong = "G1223" their|strong = "G1722"
union|strong = "H2260" with|strong = "G1722" Jesus|strong = "G2424"
Christ|strong = "G5547"; that|strong = "G2443" so|strong = "G2443",
through|strong = "G1223" our|strong = "G2424" faith|strong = "G4102",
we|strong = "G2443" also|strong = "H1571" might|strong = "G1484"
receive|strong = "G2983" the|strong = "G1722" promised|strong = "G1860"
gift|strong = "G2129" of|strong = "G4151" the|strong = "G1722"
Spirit|strong = "G4151".

¹⁵To|strong = "G2596" take|strong = "H3947" an|strong = "G2228"
illustration, friends|strong = "H7453", from|strong = "G2596"
daily|strong = "G2596" life|strong = "G3762" – No|strong = "G3762"
one|strong = "G3762" sets|strong = "H0935" aside|strong = "G2596"
even|strong = "G2596" an|strong = "G2228" agreement|strong = "H7284"
between|strong = "H0996" two|strong = "H8147" people|strong = "G3004",
when|strong = "G3004" once|strong = "H6471" it|strong = "G3004"
has|strong = "G3762" been|strong = "H1961" confirmed|strong = "G2964",
nor|strong = "G2228" do|strong = "G3004" they|strong = "G3004"
add|strong = "G1928" conditions|strong = "G1928" to|strong = "G2596"
it|strong = "G3004". ¹⁶ Now|strong = "G1161" it|strong = "G2532"
was|strong = "G1510" to|strong = "G2532" Abraham|strong = "H0085"
that|strong = "G3739" the|strong = "G2532" promises|strong = "G1860"

were|strong="G1510" made|strong="G3756", "and|strong="G2532" to|strong="G2532" his|strong="G1909" offspring|strong="H2233".
 It|strong="G2532" was|strong="G1510" not|strong="G3756" said|strong="G3004" "to|strong="G2532" his|strong="G1909" offsprings," as|strong="G5613" if|strong="G5613" many|strong="G4183" persons|strong="H5315" were|strong="G1510" meant|strong="G1510", but|strong="G1161" the|strong="G2532" words|strong="G2532" were|strong="G1510" "to|strong="G2532" your|strong="G2532" offspring|strong="H2233", " showing|strong="H6213" that|strong="G3739" one|strong="G1520" person|strong="G3739" was|strong="G1510" meant|strong="G1510" - and|strong="G2532" that|strong="G3739" was|strong="G1510" Christ|strong="G5547".¹⁷
 My|strong="G5259" point|strong="H6856" is|strong="G3588" this|strong="G3778" - An|strong="G2532" agreement|strong="H7284" already|strong="H3528" confirmed|strong="H0539" by|strong="G5259" God|strong="G2316" cannot|strong="G3756" be|strong="G1096" canceled|strong="H3722" by|strong="G5259" the|strong="G2532" Law|strong="G3551", which|strong="G3588" came|strong="G1096" four|strong="G5071" hundred|strong="G5071" and|strong="G2532" thirty|strong="G5144" years|strong="G2094" later|strong="G3326", so|strong="G2532" as|strong="G1519" to|strong="G1519" cause|strong="G3588" the|strong="G2532" promise|strong="G1860" to|strong="G1519" be|strong="G1096" set|strong="G2532" aside|strong="H5493".¹⁸ If|strong="G1487" our|strong="G2316" heritage|strong="H5159" is|strong="G3588" the|strong="G1537" result|strong="G1537" of|strong="G1537" Law|strong="G3551", then|strong="G1161" it|strong="G1161" has|strong="G2316" ceased|strong="H2308" to|strong="G1161" be|strong="G2316" the|strong="G1537" result|strong="G1537" of|strong="G1537" a|strong="G1487" promise|strong="G1860". Yet|strong="G1161" God|strong="G2316" conferred|strong="H1697" it|strong="G1161" on|strong="G1537" Abraham|strong="H0085" by|strong="G1223" a|strong="G1487" promise|strong="G1860".

19What|strong="G5101", then|strong="G3767", you|strong="G3739" ask|strong="H7592", was|strong="G3588" the|strong="G1722" use|strong="G3588" of|strong="G1223" the|strong="G1722" Law|strong="G3551"? It|strong="G5101" was|strong="G3588" a|strong="G1722" later|strong="H0310" addition|strong="H5921", to|strong="G2064" make|strong="G3767" people|strong="G3767" conscious|strong="H7202" of|strong="G1223" their|strong="G1722" wrongdoings, and|strong="G2064" intended|strong="H1819" to|strong="G2064" last|strong="H0314" only|strong="H0389" until|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" coming|strong="G2064" of|strong="G1223" that|strong="G3739" offspring|strong="H2233"

to|strong="G2064" whom|strong="G3739" the|strong="G1722" promise|strong="G1861" had|strong="G3739" been|strong="H1961" made|strong="G1861"; and|strong="G2064" it|strong="G5101" was|strong="G3588" delivered|strong="H5414" through|strong="G1223" angels|strong="H4397" by|strong="G1223" a|strong="G1722" mediator|strong="G3316". ²⁰ Now|strong="G1161" mediation implies more|strong="G1161" than|strong="G3756" one|strong="G1520" person|strong="G1520", but|strong="G1161" God|strong="G2316" is|strong="G1510" one|strong="G1520" only|strong="G3756". ²¹ Does|strong="G1510" that|strong="G3588" set|strong="G1096" the|strong="G1537" Law|strong="G3551" in|strong="G2596" opposition|strong="H8569" to|strong="G2596" God's|strong="G2316" promises|strong="G1860"? Heaven|strong="H8064" forbid|strong="G1096"! For|strong="G1063", if|strong="G1487" a|strong="G1096" Law|strong="G3551" had|strong="G2316" been|strong="G1510" given|strong="G1325" capable|strong="H2428" of|strong="G1537" bestowing life|strong="G2227", then|strong="G3767" righteousness|strong="G1343" would|strong="G1096" have|strong="G1510" actually|strong="G1063" owed its|strong="G1325" existence to|strong="G2596" Law|strong="G3551". ²²

But|strong="G3588" the|strong="G3956" words|strong="H1697" of|strong="G1537" scripture|strong="G1124" represent|strong="H7969" the|strong="G3956" whole|strong="G3956" world|strong="H8398" as|strong="G2443" being|strong="G5547" in|strong="G3956" bondage|strong="H5656" to|strong="G2443" sin|strong="H2403", so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443" the|strong="G3956" promised|strong="G1860" blessing|strong="H1293", dependent|strong="H8145", as|strong="G2443" it|strong="G2443" is|strong="G3588", on|strong="G1537" faith|strong="G4102" in|strong="G3956" Jesus|strong="G2424" Christ|strong="G5547", may|strong="G2443" be|strong="G3956" given|strong="G1325" to|strong="G2443" those|strong="G3588" who|strong="G3588" have|strong="G3956" faith|strong="G4102" in|strong="G3956" him|strong="G3588".

²³Before|strong="G4253" the|strong="G1519" coming|strong="G2064" of|strong="G5259" faith|strong="G4102", we|strong="G1161" were|strong="G3588" kept|strong="G5432" under|strong="G5259" the|strong="G1519" guard|strong="G5432" of|strong="G5259" the|strong="G1519" Law|strong="G3551", in|strong="G1519" bondage|strong="H5656", awaiting the|strong="G1519" faith|strong="G4102" that|strong="G3588" was|strong="G3588" destined|strong="H3651" to|strong="G1519" be|strong="G3195" revealed|strong="H1540". ²⁴ Thus|strong="G5620" the|strong="G1519" Law|strong="G3551" has|strong="G4102" proved|strong="G1096"

a|strong="G1096" guide|strong="H5148" to|strong="G1519"
 lead|strong="H5148" us|strong="G1519" to|strong="G1519"
 Christ|strong="G5547", in|strong="G1519" order|strong="G2443"
 that|strong="G2443" we|strong="G2249" may|strong="G2443"
 be|strong="G1096" pronounced|strong="H1696"
 righteous|strong="G1344" as|strong="G1519" the|strong="G1519"
 result|strong="G1537" of|strong="G1537" faith|strong="G4102". ²⁵
 But|strong="G1161" now|strong="G1161" that|strong="G3588"
 faith|strong="G4102" has|strong="G4102" come|strong="G2064"
 we|strong="G1161" no|strong="G3765" longer|strong="G3765"
 need|strong="H4270" a|strong="G1510" guide|strong="H5148".

26For|strong="G1063" you|strong="G1722" are|strong="G1510"
 all|strong="G3956" sons|strong="G5207" of|strong="G5207"
 God|strong="G2316", through|strong="G1223" your|strong="G1223"
 faith|strong="G4102" in|strong="G1722" Christ|strong="G5547"
 Jesus|strong="G2424". ²⁷ For|strong="G1063" all|strong="G3745"
 of|strong="G1519" you|strong="G3745" who|strong="G3745"
 were|strong="G3745" baptized into|strong="G1519"
 union|strong="H2260" with|strong="G1519" Christ|strong="G5547"
 clothed|strong="G1746" yourselves|strong="H5315" with|strong="G1519"
 Christ|strong="G5547". ²⁸ All|strong="G3956" distinctions
 between|strong="G1722" Jew|strong="G2453" and|strong="G2532"
 Greek|strong="G1672", slave|strong="G1401" and|strong="G2532"
 free|strong="G1658", male|strong="H2145" and|strong="G2532"
 female|strong="G2338", have|strong="G2532" vanished|strong="H5628";
 for|strong="G1063" in|strong="G1722" union|strong="H2260"
 with|strong="G1722" Christ|strong="G5547" Jesus|strong="G2424"
 you|strong="G5210" are|strong="G1510" all|strong="G3956"
 one|strong="G1520". ²⁹ And|strong="G1161", since|strong="G1161"
 you|strong="G5210" belong|strong="G1510" to|strong="G2596"
 Christ|strong="G5547", it|strong="G1161" follows|strong="H3652"
 that|strong="G3588" you|strong="G5210" are|strong="G1510"
 Abraham's|strong="H0085" offspring|strong="H2233"
 and|strong="G1161", under|strong="H8478" the|strong="G1161"
 promise|strong="G1860", sharers in|strong="G2596" the|strong="G1161"
 inheritance|strong="H5159".

4My|strong="G3956" point|strong="G1909" is|strong="G1510"
 this|strong="G3588" – as|strong="G3745" long|strong="G5550"
 as|strong="G3745" the|strong="G3956" heir|strong="G2818"
 is|strong="G1510" under|strong="G1909" age|strong="G5550",
 there|strong="G1161" is|strong="G1510" no|strong="G3762"
 difference|strong="G1308" between|strong="H0996" him|strong="G3588"
 and|strong="G1161" a|strong="G1510" slave|strong="G1401",

though|strong="G1161" he|strong="G1161" is|strong="G1510"
 master|strong="G2962" of|strong="G2962" the|strong="G3956"
 whole|strong="G3956" estate|strong="H3653". ² He|strong="G2532"
 is|strong="G1510" subject|strong="H5647" to|strong="G2532"
 the|strong="G2532" control|strong="H3027" of|strong="G5259"
 guardians|strong="G2012" and|strong="G2532"
 stewards|strong="G3623", during|strong="H3117" the|strong="G2532"
 period|strong="G2532" for|strong="G2532" which|strong="G3588"
 his|strong="G2532" father|strong="G3962" has|strong="G3962"
 power|strong="G5259" to|strong="G2532" appoint|strong="H6485"
 them|strong="G3588". ³ And|strong="G2532" so|strong="G3779"
 is|strong="G1510" it|strong="G2532" with|strong="G2532"
 us|strong="G2249"; when|strong="G3753" we|strong="G2249"
 were|strong="G1510" under|strong="G5259" age|strong="G2889",
 as|strong="G2532" it|strong="G2532" were|strong="G1510",
 we|strong="G2249" were|strong="G1510" slaves|strong="G1398"
 to|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532" puerile teaching|strong="H8451"
 of|strong="G5259" this|strong="G3588" world|strong="G2889"; ⁴
 but|strong="G1161", when|strong="G3753" the|strong="G1537"
 full|strong="G4138" time|strong="G5550" came|strong="G2064",
 God|strong="G2316" sent|strong="G1821" his|strong="G5259"
 Son|strong="G5207" – born|strong="G1096" a|strong="G1096"
 woman's|strong="G1135" child|strong="G5207", born|strong="G1096"
 subject|strong="H5647" to|strong="G2064" Law|strong="G3551" – ⁵
 to|strong="G2443" ransom|strong="H3724" those|strong="G3588"
 who|strong="G3588" were|strong="G3588" subject|strong="H5647"
 to|strong="G2443" Law|strong="G3551", so|strong="G2443"
 that|strong="G2443" we|strong="G2443" might|strong="H1369"
 take|strong="G2443" our|strong="H3068" position|strong="H3678"
 as|strong="G5206" sons|strong="G5206".

⁶And|strong="G1161" it|strong="G3754" is|strong="G1510"
 because|strong="G3754" you|strong="G3754" are|strong="G1510"
 sons|strong="G5207" that|strong="G3754" God|strong="G2316"
 sent|strong="G1821" into|strong="G1519" our|strong="G2316"
 hearts|strong="G2588" the|strong="G1519" Spirit|strong="G4151"
 of|strong="G5207" his|strong="G1519" Son|strong="G5207",
 with|strong="G2316" the|strong="G1519" cry|strong="G2896" – “Abba,
 our|strong="G2316" Father|strong="G3962”.” ⁷ You|strong="G1487",
 therefore|strong="G1223", are|strong="G1510" no|strong="G3765"
 longer|strong="G3765" a|strong="G2532" slave|strong="G1401",
 but|strong="G1161" a|strong="G2532" son|strong="G5207";
 and|strong="G2532", if|strong="G1487" a|strong="G2532"
 son|strong="G5207", then|strong="G2532" an|strong="G2532"
 heir|strong="G2818" also|strong="G2532", by|strong="G1223"

God's appointment.

8 Yet formerly, in your God's ignorance of God, you became slaves to "gods" which were no gods. ⁹ But now that you have found God – or, rather, have been found by him – how that you are turning back to that poor and feeble, to which yet once again you are wanting to become slaves? ¹⁰ You are scrupulous in keeping days and months and years! ¹¹ You make me fear that the labour which I have spent on you may have been wasted.

¹² I entreat you, friends, to become like me, as I became like you. You have never any wrong done me. ¹³ You remember that it was owing to my bodily infirmity that on the first occasion I told you the good news.

And|strong="G2532" as|strong="G5613" for|strong="G1722"
 what|strong="G3588" must|strong="G5547" have|strong="G2532"
 tried|strong="H6884" you|strong="G5210" in|strong="G1722"
 my|strong="G1722" condition|strong="G4561", it|strong="G2532"
 did|strong="G2532" not|strong="G3756" inspire you|strong="G5210"
 with|strong="G1722" scorn|strong="H2781" or|strong="G2532" disgust,
 but|strong="G2532" you|strong="G5210" welcomed|strong="G1209"
 me|strong="G1473" as|strong="G5613" if|strong="G5613"
 I|strong="G1473" had|strong="G2424" been|strong="G2532"
 an|strong="G2532" angel|strong="H4397" of|strong="G2316"
 God|strong="G2316" – or|strong="G2532" Christ|strong="G5547"
 Jesus|strong="G2424" himself|strong="H5315"! ¹⁵
 What|strong="G3588" has|strong="G3748" become|strong="H1961"
 then|strong="G3767", of|strong="G3588" your|strong="G1487"
 blessings|strong="H1293"? For|strong="G1063" I|strong="G1473"
 can|strong="G1325" bear|strong="G3140" witness|strong="G3140"
 that|strong="G3754", had|strong="G3588" it|strong="G3754"
 been|strong="G1325" possible|strong="G1415", you|strong="G5210"
 would|strong="G1325" have|strong="G1473" torn|strong="H7167"
 out|strong="G1063" your|strong="G1487" eyes|strong="G3788"
 and|strong="G3767" given|strong="G1325" them|strong="G3588"
 to|strong="G1325" me|strong="G1325"! ¹⁶ Am|strong="G1096"
 I|strong="G1096" to|strong="G1096" think|strong="H2803",
 then|strong="G5620", that|strong="G5620" I|strong="G1096"
 have|strong="G5210" become|strong="G1096" your|strong="G1096"
 enemy|strong="G2190" by|strong="G1096" telling|strong="H1696"
 you|strong="G5210" the|strong="G1096" truth|strong="H0571"? ¹⁷
 Certain|strong="H0259" people|strong="H5971" are|strong="G2309"
 seeking|strong="H1245" your|strong="G1438" favour|strong="H2580",
 but|strong="G1438" with|strong="G1438" no|strong="G3756"
 honourable|strong="H3513" object|strong="H8047". No|strong="G3756",
 indeed|strong="H3588", they|strong="G2443" want|strong="G2309"
 to|strong="G2443" isolate|strong="H5462" you|strong="G5210",
 so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443" you|strong="G5210"
 will|strong="G2309" have|strong="G2309" to|strong="G2443"
 seek|strong="G2206" their|strong="G1438" favour|strong="H2580". ¹⁸
 It|strong="G2532" is|strong="G3588" always|strong="G3842"
 honourable|strong="H3513" to|strong="G4314" have|strong="G2532"
 your|strong="G2532" favour|strong="H2580" sought|strong="G2206"
 in|strong="G1722" an|strong="G2532" honourable|strong="H3513"
 cause|strong="G3588", and|strong="G2532" not|strong="G3361"
 only|strong="G3440" when|strong="G1161" I|strong="G1473"
 am|strong="G1473" with|strong="G1722" you|strong="G5210",
 my|strong="G1722" dear|strong="H3357" children|strong="H1121" – ¹⁹
 you|strong="G5210" for|strong="G1722" whom|strong="G3739"
 I|strong="G1473" am|strong="G1473" again|strong="G3825"

enduring|strong = "H0539" a|strong = "G1722" mother's|strong = "H0517"
 pains|strong = "H6735", until|strong = "G3360" a|strong = "G1722"
 likeness|strong = "H1823" to|strong = "G1722" Christ|strong = "G5547"
 will|strong = "G3739" have|strong = "G1473" been|strong = "G5547"
 formed|strong = "G3445" in|strong = "G1722" you|strong = "G5210". ²⁰
 But|strong = "G1161" I|strong = "G1473" could|strong = "G3588"
 wish|strong = "G2309" to|strong = "G4314" be|strong = "G2532"
 with|strong = "G1722" you|strong = "G5210" now|strong = "G1161"
 and|strong = "G2532" speak|strong = "G1161" in|strong = "G1722"
 a|strong = "G2532" different|strong = "H8133" tone|strong = "G5456",
 for|strong = "G3754" I|strong = "G1473" am|strong = "G1473"
 perplexed|strong = "H0943" about|strong = "G1722" you|strong = "G5210".

21 Tell|strong = "G3004" me|strong = "G1473", you|strong = "G3004"
 who|strong = "G3588" want|strong = "G2309" to|strong = "G3004"
 be|strong = "G1510" still|strong = "H5750" subject|strong = "H5647"
 to|strong = "G3004" Law|strong = "G3551" – Why|strong = "H4100"
 don't|strong = "G3756" you|strong = "G3004" listen|strong = "H8085"
 to|strong = "G3004" the|strong = "G3588" Law|strong = "G3551"? ²²
 Scripture|strong = "G1125" says|strong = "H0559" that|strong = "G3754"
 Abraham|strong = "H0085" had|strong = "G2192" two|strong = "G1417"
 sons|strong = "G5207", one|strong = "G1520" the|strong = "G2532"
 child|strong = "G5207" of|strong = "G1537" the|strong = "G2532"
 slave-woman and|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532"
 other|strong = "G1520" the|strong = "G2532" child|strong = "G5207"
 of|strong = "G1537" the|strong = "G2532" free|strong = "G1658"
 woman|strong = "G1658". ²³ But|strong = "G1161" the|strong = "G1537"
 child|strong = "G1080" of|strong = "G1537" the|strong = "G1537"
 slave-woman was|strong = "G3588" born|strong = "G1080"
 in|strong = "G2596" the|strong = "G1537" course|strong = "H4256"
 of|strong = "G1537" nature, while|strong = "G1161" the|strong = "G1537"
 child|strong = "G1080" of|strong = "G1537" the|strong = "G1537"
 free|strong = "G1658" woman|strong = "G1658" was|strong = "G3588"
 born|strong = "G1080" in|strong = "G2596" fulfilment of|strong = "G1537"
 a|strong = "G1161" promise|strong = "G1860". ²⁴ This|strong = "G3778"
 story|strong = "H4605" may|strong = "G3778" be|strong = "G1510"
 taken|strong = "H3947" as|strong = "G1519" an|strong = "G1519" allegory.
 The|strong = "G1519" women|strong = "G1417" stand|strong = "G3778"
 for|strong = "G1063" two|strong = "G1417" covenants|strong = "G1242".
 One|strong = "G1520" covenant|strong = "G1242", given|strong = "H5414"
 from|strong = "G1519" Mount|strong = "G3735" Sinai|strong = "G4614",
 produces|strong = "H3318" a|strong = "G1519" race|strong = "H4793"
 of|strong = "G1080" slaves|strong = "G1397" and|strong = "G1520"
 is|strong = "G1510" represented by|strong = "G1519"
 Hagar|strong = "H1904". ²⁵ Hagar|strong = "H1904"

stands|strong = "H5975" for|strong = "G1063" Mount|strong = "G3735"
 Sinai|strong = "G4614" in|strong = "G1722" Arabia|strong = "H6152",
 and|strong = "G1161" represents|strong = "G1510" the|strong = "G1722"
 Jerusalem|strong = "G2419" of|strong = "G1722" today|strong = "H3117",
 for|strong = "G1063" she|strong = "G1161" and|strong = "G1161"
 her|strong = "G3588" children|strong = "G5043" are|strong = "G1510"
 in|strong = "G1722" slavery|strong = "G1398". ²⁶ But|strong = "G1161"
 the|strong = "G1161" Jerusalem|strong = "G2419" above|strong = "H4605"
 is|strong = "G1510" free|strong = "G1658", and|strong = "G1161"
 she|strong = "G1161" it|strong = "G1161" is|strong = "G1510"
 who|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G1510" our|strong = "G1510"
 mother|strong = "G3384". ²⁷ For|strong = "G1063"
 scripture|strong = "G1125" says|strong = "H0559" –

“ Rejoice|strong = "G2165", you|strong = "G3754" barren|strong = "G4723"
 one|strong = "G3588", who|strong = "G3588" have|strong = "G2192"
 never|strong = "G3756" given|strong = "H5414" birth|strong = "G5088",

b reak|strong = "G4486" into|strong = "H0413" shouts|strong = "H7440",
 you|strong = "G3754" who|strong = "G3588" are|strong = "G3588"
 never|strong = "G3756" in|strong = "G2532" labour|strong = "H5999",

f or|strong = "G1063" many|strong = "G4183" are|strong = "G3588"
 the|strong = "G2532" children|strong = "G5043" of|strong = "G2532"
 her|strong = "G3754" who|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G3588"
 desolate|strong = "G2048" –

y es|strong = "G1063", more|strong = "G3123" than|strong = "G2228"
 of|strong = "G2532" her|strong = "G3754" who|strong = "G3588"
 has|strong = "G2192" a|strong = "G2192" husband|strong = "H0376".” ²⁸
 As|strong = "G1161" for|strong = "G1161" ourselves|strong = "H0587",
 friends|strong = "H7453", we|strong = "G1161", like|strong = "G2596"
 Isaac|strong = "G2464", are|strong = "G1510" children|strong = "G5043"
 born|strong = "H3205" in|strong = "G2596" fulfilment of|strong = "G5043"
 a|strong = "G1510" promise|strong = "G1860". ²⁹ Yet|strong = "G2532"
 at|strong = "G2596" that|strong = "G3588" time|strong = "G5119"
 the|strong = "G2532" child|strong = "G1080" born|strong = "G1080"
 in|strong = "G2596" the|strong = "G2532" course|strong = "H4256"
 of|strong = "G4151" nature persecuted|strong = "G1377"
 the|strong = "G2532" child|strong = "G1080" born|strong = "G1080"
 by|strong = "G2596" the|strong = "G2532" power|strong = "H3027"
 of|strong = "G4151" the|strong = "G2532" Spirit|strong = "G4151";
 and|strong = "G2532" it|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G3588"
 the|strong = "G2532" same|strong = "G3779" now|strong = "G3568". ³⁰

But ^{strong="G2532"} what ^{strong="G5101"} does ^{strong="G5101"} the ^{strong="G2532"} passage ^{strong="H4569"} of ^{strong="G5207"} scripture ^{strong="G1124"} say ^{strong="G3004"}?

“ Send ^{strong="G1544"} away ^{strong="G1544"} the ^{strong="G2532"} slave-woman and ^{strong="G2532"} her ^{strong="G3588"} son ^{strong="G5207"}; for ^{strong="G1063"} the ^{strong="G2532"} slave’s ^{strong="H5650"} son ^{strong="G5207"} will ^{strong="G5101"} not ^{strong="G3756"} be ^{strong="G2532"} coheir with ^{strong="G3326"} the ^{strong="G2532"} son ^{strong="G5207"} of ^{strong="G5207"} the ^{strong="G2532"} free ^{strong="G1658"} woman ^{strong="G1658"}.” ³¹
 And ^{strong="G3588"} so ^{strong="G1352"}, friends ^{strong="H7453"}, we ^{strong="G1352"} are ^{strong="G1510"} not ^{strong="G3756"} children ^{strong="G5043"} of ^{strong="G5043"} a ^{strong="G1510"} slave ^{strong="H5650"}, but ^{strong="G3588"} of ^{strong="G5043"} her ^{strong="G3588"} who ^{strong="G3588"} is ^{strong="G1510"} free ^{strong="G1658"}.
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5 It ^{strong="G2532"} is ^{strong="G3588"} for ^{strong="G2532"} freedom ^{strong="G1657"} that ^{strong="G3588"} Christ ^{strong="G5547"} set ^{strong="G1659"} us ^{strong="G2249"} free ^{strong="G1659"}; stand ^{strong="G4739"} firm ^{strong="G4739"} therefore ^{strong="G3767"}, and ^{strong="G2532"} do ^{strong="G2532"} not ^{strong="G3361"} again ^{strong="G3825"} be ^{strong="G2532"} held ^{strong="H2388"} under ^{strong="H8478"} the ^{strong="G2532"} yoke ^{strong="G2218"} of ^{strong="G2532"} slavery ^{strong="G1397"}.

p ² Understand ^{strong="H0995"} that ^{strong="G3754"} I ^{strong="G1473"}, Paul ^{strong="G3972"}, myself ^{strong="G1473"} tell ^{strong="G3004"} you ^{strong="G5210"} that ^{strong="G3754"} if ^{strong="G1437"} you ^{strong="G5210"} allow ^{strong="H5414"} yourselves ^{strong="G4771"} to ^{strong="G3004"} be ^{strong="G5547"} circumcised ^{strong="G4059"}, Christ ^{strong="G5547"} will ^{strong="G1473"} avail ^{strong="H6963"} you ^{strong="G5210"} nothing ^{strong="G3762"}. ³ I ^{strong="G1161"} again ^{strong="G3825"} declare ^{strong="H5046"} to ^{strong="G1161"} everyone ^{strong="G3956"} who ^{strong="G3588"} receives ^{strong="G4059"} circumcision ^{strong="G4059"}, that ^{strong="G3754"} he ^{strong="G1161"} binds ^{strong="H0631"} himself ^{strong="H5315"} to ^{strong="G1161"} obey ^{strong="G4160"} the ^{strong="G3956"} whole ^{strong="G3650"} Law ^{strong="G3551"}. ⁴ You ^{strong="G1722"} have ^{strong="G3748"} severed ^{strong="G2673"} yourselves ^{strong="G1722"} from ^{strong="G3588"} Christ ^{strong="G5547"} – you ^{strong="G1722"} who ^{strong="G3588"} are ^{strong="G3588"} seeking ^{strong="H1245"} to ^{strong="G1722"} be ^{strong="G3588"} pronounced ^{strong="H1696"}

righteous|strong="G1344" through|strong="G1722" Law|strong="G3551";
 you|strong="G1722" have|strong="G3748" fallen|strong="G1601"
 away|strong="G2673" from|strong="G3588" love|strong="H0157". ⁵
 For|strong="G1063" we|strong="G2249", by|strong="G1537"
 the|strong="G1537" help|strong="H5826" of|strong="G1537"
 the|strong="G1537" Spirit|strong="G4151", are|strong="G2249"
 eagerly|strong="H6960" waiting|strong="H8104" for|strong="G1063"
 the|strong="G1537" fulfilment of|strong="G1537" our|strong="G1537"
 hope|strong="G1680" – that|strong="G1063" we|strong="G2249"
 may|strong="G4102" be|strong="G1537" pronounced|strong="H1696"
 righteous|strong="H6662" as|strong="G1063" the|strong="G1537"
 result|strong="G1537" of|strong="G1537" faith|strong="G4102". ⁶
 If|strong="H0518" we|strong="G1063" are|strong="G3777"
 in|strong="G1722" union|strong="H2260" with|strong="G1722"
 Christ|strong="G5547" Jesus|strong="G2424", neither|strong="G3777"
 is|strong="G5547" circumcision|strong="G4061" nor|strong="G3777"
 the|strong="G1722" omission of|strong="G1223" it|strong="G1063"
 anything|strong="G5100", but|strong="G1063" faith|strong="G4102",
 working|strong="G1754" through|strong="G1223" love|strong="H0157",
 is|strong="G5547" everything|strong="H3605". ⁷ You|strong="G5210"
 were|strong="G5101" once|strong="H6471" making|strong="H6213"
 good|strong="G2573" progress! Who|strong="G5101"
 has|strong="G5101" hindered|strong="G1465" you|strong="G5210"
 from|strong="G3361" obeying|strong="G3982" the|strong="G3361"
 truth|strong="H0571"? ⁸ The|strong="G1537"
 persuasion|strong="G3988" brought|strong="H0935" to|strong="G3756"
 bear|strong="H5375" on|strong="G1537" you|strong="G5210"
 does|strong="H6213" not|strong="G3756" come|strong="G3756"
 from|strong="G1537" him|strong="G3588" who|strong="G3588"
 calls|strong="G2564" you|strong="G5210". ⁹ A|strong="G3588"
 little|strong="G3398" yeast|strong="G2219" leavens|strong="G2220"
 all|strong="G3650" the|strong="G3588" dough|strong="H1217". ¹⁰
 I|strong="G1473", through|strong="G1722" my|strong="G1722"
 union|strong="H2260" with|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722"
 Lord|strong="G2962", am|strong="G1510" persuaded|strong="G3982"
 that|strong="G3754" you|strong="G5210" will|strong="G1510"
 learn|strong="H3925" to|strong="G1519" think|strong="G5426"
 with|strong="G1722" me|strong="G1473". But|strong="G1161"
 the|strong="G1722" man|strong="G3762" who|strong="G3588"
 is|strong="G1510" disturbing|strong="G5015" your|strong="G2962"
 minds|strong="G5426" will|strong="G1510" have|strong="G1473"
 to|strong="G1519" bear|strong="H5375" his|strong="G1519"
 punishment|strong="G2917", whoever|strong="G3748"
 he|strong="G1161" may|strong="G5210" be|strong="G1510". ¹¹
 If|strong="G1487" I|strong="G1473", friends|strong="H7453",
 am|strong="G1473" still|strong="G2089" proclaiming|strong="G2784"

circumcision|strong="G4061", why|strong="G5101" am|strong="G1473"
 I|strong="G1473" still|strong="G2089" persecuted|strong="G1377"?
 It|strong="G1161" seems|strong="H3190" that|strong="G3588"
 the|strong="G1161" cross|strong="G4716" has|strong="G5101"
 ceased|strong="G2673" to|strong="G1161" be|strong="G2089"
 an|strong="G1161" obstacle|strong="H4383"! ¹² I|strong="G2532"
 could|strong="G3588" even|strong="G2532" wish|strong="G3785"
 that|strong="G3588" the|strong="G2532" people|strong="G3588"
 who|strong="G3588" are|strong="G3588" unsettling you|strong="G5210"
 would|strong="G2532" go|strong="G2532" further|strong="H5750"
 still|strong="H5750" and|strong="G2532" mutilate
 themselves|strong="H0905".

13Remember|strong="H2142", friends|strong="H7453",
 to|strong="G1519" you|strong="G5210" the|strong="G1519"
 call|strong="G2564" came|strong="G3588" to|strong="G1519"
 give|strong="G2564" you|strong="G5210" freedom|strong="G1657".
 Only|strong="G3440", do|strong="G3361" not|strong="G3361"
 make|strong="G1519" your|strong="G1223" freedom|strong="G1657"
 an|strong="G1519" opportunity for|strong="G1063" self-indulgence
 but|strong="G3361" serve|strong="G1398" one|strong="G3588"
 another|strong="G3588" in|strong="G1519" a|strong="G1519"
 loving|strong="H0157" spirit|strong="G3588". ¹⁴
 Indeed|strong="G1063", the|strong="G1722" whole|strong="G3956"
 Law|strong="G3551" has|strong="G4137" been|strong="G5613" summed
 up|strong="G1722" in|strong="G1722" this|strong="G3588"
 one|strong="G1520" precept|strong="H6673" –

“ You|strong="G4771" must|strong="G1520" love|strong="H0157"
 your|strong="G3956" neighbour|strong="G4139" as|strong="G5613"
 you|strong="G4771" love|strong="H0157" yourself|strong="G4572".” ¹⁵
 But|strong="G1161", if|strong="G1487" you|strong="G1487"
 are|strong="G2532" continually|strong="H8548"
 wounding|strong="H6482" and|strong="G2532" preying
 on|strong="G1161" one|strong="G3361" another|strong="G1161",
 take|strong="G1161" care|strong="H3027" that|strong="G2532"
 you|strong="G1487" are|strong="G2532" not|strong="G3361"
 destroyed|strong="H4229" by|strong="G5259" one|strong="G3361"
 another|strong="G1161".

16This|strong="G2532" is|strong="G2532" what|strong="G2532"
 I|strong="G2532" have|strong="G2532" to|strong="G2532"
 say|strong="G3004" – Let|strong="G1161" your|strong="G2532"
 steps|strong="H4609" be|strong="G2532" guided|strong="H5148"
 by|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532" Spirit|strong="G4151",

and|strong="G2532" then|strong="G2532" you|strong="G3004" will|strong="G2532" never|strong="G3756" gratify the|strong="G2532" cravings of|strong="G4151" your|strong="G2532" earthly|strong="G4561" nature. ¹⁷ For|strong="G1063" these|strong="G3778" cravings of|strong="G4151" our|strong="G2596" earthly|strong="G4561" nature conflict|strong="H7379" with|strong="G2596" the|strong="G1161" Spirit|strong="G4151", and|strong="G1161" the|strong="G1161" Spirit|strong="G4151" with|strong="G2596" our|strong="G2596" earthly|strong="G4561" nature – they|strong="G1161" are|strong="G3588" two|strong="H8147" contrary|strong="G2596" principles – so|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443" you|strong="G3739" cannot|strong="G3361" do|strong="G4160" what|strong="G3739" you|strong="G3739" wish|strong="G2309". ¹⁸ But|strong="G1161", if|strong="G1487" you|strong="G1487" follow|strong="G1161" the|strong="G1161" guidance|strong="H8458" of|strong="G5259" the|strong="G1161" Spirit|strong="G4151", you|strong="G1487" are|strong="G1510" not|strong="G3756" subject|strong="H5647" to|strong="G3756" Law|strong="G3551". ¹⁹ The|strong="G1161" sins|strong="H2403" of|strong="G2041" our|strong="G1510" earthly|strong="G4561" nature are|strong="G1510" unmistakable. They|strong="G1161" are|strong="G1510" sins|strong="H2403" like|strong="H3644" these|strong="G3588" – sexual|strong="G4202" immorality|strong="G4202", impurity|strong="H5079", indecency|strong="H6172", ²⁰ idolatry|strong="G1495", sorcery|strong="G5331", quarrels|strong="G2054", strife|strong="G2054", jealousy|strong="G2205", outbursts|strong="G2372" of|strong="G2372" passion|strong="G2372", rivalries, dissensions|strong="G1370", divisions|strong="G1370", ²¹ feelings|strong="H3629" of|strong="G2316" envy|strong="G5355", drunkenness|strong="G3178", revelry, and|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532" like|strong="G3664". And|strong="G2532" I|strong="G3739" warn|strong="H2094" you|strong="G5210", as|strong="G2531" I|strong="G3739" warned|strong="H2094" you|strong="G5210" before|strong="G4302", that|strong="G3754" those|strong="G3588" who|strong="G3739" indulge in|strong="G2532" such|strong="G5108" things|strong="G3778" will|strong="G2316" have|strong="G2532" no|strong="G3756" place|strong="G3739" in|strong="G2532" the|strong="G2532" kingdom|strong="H4467" of|strong="G2316" God|strong="G2316". ²² But|strong="G1161" the|strong="G1161" fruit|strong="G2590" produced|strong="H6213" by|strong="G4151" the|strong="G1161" Spirit|strong="G4151" is|strong="G1510" love|strong="H0157", joy|strong="G5479", peace|strong="G1515", forbearance|strong="H0753", kindness, generosity, trustfulness, gentleness|strong="G5544", self-control. ²³ Against|strong="G2596" such|strong="G5108" things|strong="G3588" there|strong="G1510" is|strong="G1510" no|strong="G3756" law|strong="G3551"! ²⁴ And|strong="G2532" those|strong="G3588"

who|strong = "G3588" belong|strong = "H1961" to|strong = "G2532"
 Jesus|strong = "G2424", the|strong = "G2532" Christ|strong = "G5547",
 have|strong = "G2532" already|strong = "H3528" crucified|strong = "G4717"
 their|strong = "G2532" earthly|strong = "G4561" nature,
 with|strong = "G4862" its|strong = "H3605" passions|strong = "G3804"
 and|strong = "G2532" its|strong = "H3605" cravings.

25Since|strong = "H3588" our|strong = "G2532" life|strong = "G2198"
 is|strong = "G2532" due|strong = "H2706" to|strong = "G2532"
 the|strong = "G2532" Spirit|strong = "G4151", let|strong = "G2532"
 us|strong = "G4748" rule|strong = "H4910" our|strong = "G2532"
 conduct|strong = "H1870" also|strong = "G2532" by|strong = "G2532"
 the|strong = "G2532" Spirit|strong = "G4151". ²⁶ Do|strong = "G1096"
 not|strong = "G3361" let|strong = "G1096" us|strong = "G1096"
 grow|strong = "G1096" vain|strong = "H7723", and|strong = "G1096"
 provoke|strong = "H3707" or|strong = "G3361" envy|strong = "H7065"
 one|strong = "G3361" another|strong = "H0312".

6My|strong = "G1722" friends|strong = "H7453", even|strong = "G2532"
 if|strong = "G1437" someone|strong = "G5100" should|strong = "G5100"
 be|strong = "G2532" caught|strong = "G4301" committing|strong = "H6213"
 a|strong = "G2532" sin|strong = "G3900", you|strong = "G5210"
 who|strong = "G3588" are|strong = "G3588" spiritually|strong = "G4151"
 minded|strong = "H0553" should|strong = "G5100", in|strong = "G1722"
 a|strong = "G2532" gentle|strong = "H0441" spirit|strong = "G4151",
 help|strong = "H5826" them|strong = "G3588" to|strong = "G2532"
 recover|strong = "H2421" themselves|strong = "G1722",
 taking|strong = "H3947" care|strong = "H3027" that|strong = "G3588"
 you|strong = "G5210" yourselves|strong = "G4771" are|strong = "G3588"
 not|strong = "G3361" tempted|strong = "G3985". ² Bear|strong = "G2532"
 one|strong = "G3588" another's|strong = "H7453" burdens|strong = "H5450",
 and|strong = "G2532" so|strong = "G3779" carry|strong = "H5375"
 out|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532" Law|strong = "G3551"
 of|strong = "G2532" the|strong = "G2532" Christ|strong = "G5547". ³
 If|strong = "G1487" a|strong = "G1510" person|strong = "G5100" imagines
 themselves|strong = "G1438" to|strong = "G5100" be|strong = "G1510"
 somebody|strong = "G5100", when|strong = "G1510" they|strong = "G1063"
 are|strong = "G1510" really|strong = "H2088" nobody|strong = "G3367",
 they|strong = "G1063" deceive|strong = "H5377"
 themselves|strong = "G1438". ⁴ Let|strong = "G1161"
 everyone|strong = "G1538" test|strong = "G1381" their|strong = "G1438"
 own|strong = "G1438" work|strong = "G2041", and|strong = "G2532"
 then|strong = "G2532" their|strong = "G1438" cause|strong = "G3588"
 for|strong = "G1519" satisfaction|strong = "H3724" will|strong = "G2532"
 be|strong = "G2532" in|strong = "G1519" themselves|strong = "G1438"

and|strong = "G2532" not|strong = "G3756" in|strong = "G1519"
 a|strong = "G2192" comparison|strong = "H3644" with|strong = "G2532"
 their|strong = "G1438" neighbour|strong = "H7453"; ⁵ for|strong = "G1063"
 everyone|strong = "G1538" must|strong = "G1538" bear|strong = "H5375"
 their|strong = "G2398" own|strong = "G2398" load|strong = "G5413". ⁶
 The|strong = "G1722" person|strong = "G3056", however|strong = "G1161",
 who|strong = "G3588" is|strong = "G3588" being|strong = "G1722"
 instructed|strong = "G2727" in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"
 message|strong = "G3056" ought|strong = "H3972" always|strong = "G3956"
 to|strong = "G1722" share|strong = "G2841" their|strong = "G1722"
 blessings|strong = "H1293" with|strong = "G1722" their|strong = "G1722"
 teacher|strong = "H4175".

7Do|strong = "G2532" not|strong = "G3756" be|strong = "G2532"
 deceived|strong = "G4105". God|strong = "G2316" cannot|strong = "G3756"
 be|strong = "G2532" mocked|strong = "G3456". What|strong = "G3739"
 a|strong = "G2532" person|strong = "G3739" sows|strong = "G4687"
 that|strong = "G3739" they|strong = "G2532" will|strong = "G2316"
 reap|strong = "G2325". ⁸ For|strong = "G3754" the|strong = "G1519"
 person|strong = "H5315" who|strong = "G3588" sows|strong = "G4687"
 the|strong = "G1519" field|strong = "H7704" of|strong = "G1537"
 their|strong = "G1438" earthly|strong = "G4561" nature will|strong = "G3748"
 from|strong = "G1537" that|strong = "G3754" earthly|strong = "G4561"
 nature reap|strong = "G2325" corruption|strong = "G5356";
 while|strong = "G1161" the|strong = "G1519" one|strong = "G1438"
 who|strong = "G3588" sows|strong = "G4687" the|strong = "G1519"
 field|strong = "H7704" of|strong = "G1537" the|strong = "G1519"
 spirit|strong = "G4151" will|strong = "G3748" from|strong = "G1537"
 that|strong = "G3754" spirit|strong = "G4151" reap|strong = "G2325"
 eternal|strong = "H5769" life|strong = "G2222". ⁹ Let|strong = "G1161"
 us|strong = "G4160" never|strong = "G3361" tire|strong = "H5889"
 of|strong = "G3588" doing|strong = "G4160" right|strong = "G2570",
 for|strong = "G1063" at|strong = "G1161" the|strong = "G1161"
 proper|strong = "G2398" season|strong = "G2540" we|strong = "G1063"
 will|strong = "G4160" reap|strong = "G2325" our|strong = "G1161"
 harvest|strong = "H7105", if|strong = "G1161" we|strong = "G1063"
 do|strong = "G4160" not|strong = "G3361" grow|strong = "G1590"
 weary|strong = "G1573". ¹⁰ Therefore|strong = "G3767", I|strong = "G1161"
 say|strong = "G3956", as|strong = "G5613" the|strong = "G3956"
 opportunity|strong = "G2540" occurs|strong = "H1961", let|strong = "G1161"
 us|strong = "H5414" treat|strong = "H6213" everyone|strong = "G3956"
 with|strong = "G4314" kindness|strong = "H2617", and|strong = "G1161"
 especially|strong = "G3122" members|strong = "H3338" of|strong = "G3956"
 the|strong = "G3956" household|strong = "G3609" of|strong = "G3956"
 the|strong = "G3956" faith|strong = "G4102".

Conclusion in the
Apostle's own handwriting

11 See in what large letters I am writing my own hand. The people are trying to compel you to be circumcised the people who wish to appear to advantage in regard to outward observances. They do it only being persecuted for the Jesus Christ. Even these men who do not themselves keep the Law; yet you circumcised, so that they of your observance of the rite. But for my part, may I never boast of anything except the cross of Jesus Christ, our Master, through whom the world has been crucified to me, and the world. For neither nor the omission of it anything; but a new nature is

everything|strong = "H3605". ¹⁶ May|strong = "G2532" all|strong = "G3745"
 who|strong = "G3588" rule|strong = "G2583" their|strong = "G1438"
 conduct|strong = "H1870" by|strong = "G1909" this|strong = "G3778"
 principle find|strong = "H4672" peace|strong = "G1515"
 and|strong = "G2532" mercy|strong = "G1656" – they|strong = "G2532"
 who|strong = "G3588" are|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G2532"
 Israel|strong = "G2474" of|strong = "G2316" God|strong = "G2316".

17For|strong = "G1063" the|strong = "G1722" future|strong = "H0319"
 let|strong = "G3930" no|strong = "G3367" one|strong = "G3367"
 trouble|strong = "G2873" me|strong = "G1473"; for|strong = "G1063"
 I|strong = "G1473" bear|strong = "H5375" the|strong = "G1722"
 marks|strong = "G4742" of|strong = "G4983" Jesus|strong = "G2424" branded
 on|strong = "G1722" my|strong = "G1722" body|strong = "G4983".

18May|strong = "G5547" the|strong = "G3588" blessing|strong = "G5485"
 of|strong = "G4151" Jesus|strong = "G2424" Christ|strong = "G5547",
 our|strong = "G2424" Lord|strong = "G2962", rest|strong = "H5117"
 on|strong = "G3326" your|strong = "G2962" souls|strong = "H5315",
 friends|strong = "H7453". Amen|strong = "H0543".