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Because this material 'is God's work, through
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the meantime we continue to work and prepare
lessons for those who wish to study our
material. This, we know, is what Jesus meant
when He said, "Go; teach and preach the Good
News to ALL people."

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LESSON 1

ANSWERS

1. a. PERSONAL.
 b. PERSONAL.
 c. PERSONAL.
2. a. PERSONAL Jesus said to ask in His name that your joy may be full.
 b. PERSONAL
3. a. **Way:** "He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him." JESUS IS THE WAY

 Truth: "But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God." "For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness who has shown in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." THIS IS TRUTH!

 Life: "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." Jesus said, "Because I live you will live also." ETERNAL LIFE IS CHRIST IN EACH BELIEVER

 b. "...no one comes to the Father, but by me."
4. Paul said, "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to anyone that believes; to the Jew first and also the Greek. For in it is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, 'The just shall live by faith.'"
5. It shows Paul's sensitivity to the Spirit and his obedience because he believed what the Spirit told him
6. On Paul's third missionary journey he traveled throughout Galatia. He visited the churches he'd already established in Galatia to strengthen and encourage the believers
7. v.9 Paul preached the gospel of God.
 v.10 His behavior was holy, righteous and blameless.
 v.11 He treated them as a father would his children.
 v.12 He exhorted and comforted, urging Christians to walk worthy of God.
 v.13 He thanked God they received the Word of God as truth.
8. a. The persecution of those who gave out the gospel, the believers.
 b. Paul said Satan hindered them, v.18.
 c. PERSONAL.
9. a. Paul said his hope, joy or the crown of rejoicing were the converts he had brought to Christ.

- b PERSONAL
- 10. a. **2. Cor. 3:17.** The Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.
Romans 8:2. The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.
Galatians 5:1. You are to stand firm in the liberty Christ has given you. Do not become involved again with a yoke of bondage.
 - b. Beware that somehow this liberty (freedom) of yours becomes a stumbling block to those who are weak.
 - c. That he might win converts to Christ.
 - d. PERSONAL. Equip yourself with the Scripture that show the step's to salvation. Explain the need for every person to receive Christ as Savior, and the joy of knowing forgiveness and cleansing from the sin-nature which every person is born with. Memorize: John 3:16; Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Romans 8:9-11; and Eph. 1:13,14.
- 11. a. **Positional:** We are in Christ, perfect forever in the eyes of God.
Practical: We are to live in the world in conformity to Christ.
 - b. PERSONAL Knowing we are 'set apart' in the Lord's eyes is a great encouragement to us.
- 12. PERSONAL.

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LESSON 2
Galatians 1:1-10

ANSWERS:

1.
 - a. Paul.
 - b. Between 47 and 55 A.D.
 - c. What is now known as Asia Minor.
 - d. To correct false teaching by Jewish leaders who had come into the area and told the converts of Paul that they needed to keep the law and be circumcised.
 - e. Salvation by grace.
2.
 - a. The heads of the church at Antioch prayed and fasted and the Holy Spirit instructed them to separate Paul and Barnabas from the others of the church for the work of taking the message of Jesus Christ to Asia Minor.
 - b. PERSONAL
3.
 - a. Paul says he is an apostle, not of men nor by man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father, Who raised Him from the dead
 - b. PERSONAL.
4.
 - a. That God raised Jesus from the dead. The resurrection of Christ
 - b. PERSONAL.
 - c. PERSONAL.
5.
 - a. Iconium, Derbe and Lystra as well as at Antioch
 - b. Certain Jews followed Paul on his missionary journey and they stoned him at Lystra, they then carried him outside the city and dumped him alongside the path. They left him for dead. But as the disciples stood around Paul God raised him up and he and Barnabas departed for Derbe. Paul suffered greatly at the hands of the Jews who came in and taught false doctrine
6.
 - a. GRACE and PEACE from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. It is God's grace poured out that redeems us, sanctifies us and keeps us for all eternity. Grace alone, nothing of ourselves. Peace comes through knowing of God's grace to us. Peace is the byproduct of grace. We have peace with God, by His grace. Jesus said, "My peace I give unto you, not as the world gives you, give I unto you" (John 14:27).
 - b. PERSONAL.

- 7 Paul was astonished to find the Galatians had been influenced by false teachers. They were turning away from the truth of Christ Who had been sent by God, out of His grace, to all men. Paul went on to say the false teachers had perverted the Gospel. vv.6,7.
8. Satan is the real enemy who masquerades as an angel of light. He works through false apostles and deceitful workers who also transform themselves into the false apostles of Christ.
9. PERSONAL. "Another gospel" is one that is not pure, one that does not teach the basic truth about Christ's life, death, resurrection and ascension. Everyone that adulterates this message is a false teacher giving false doctrine to unsaved souls.
10. a. The true gospel of Christ 'is accepting Christ's sacrifice for our sins. God's grace brings faith which makes us right with God. We can do nothing to earn it.
- b. When anyone preaches we have to do something it is not the true gospel. Gospel means good news and it is not good news to find we need to earn our salvation-indeed no one can!
- c. Yes, there are many "gospels" that teach one must do something to earn eternal life. Satan uses these false prophets to get believers to depend upon self, effort instead of depending totally upon Christ's life, death, resurrection and ascension. As the notes mention, these false teachers gave them all kinds of rules they had to follow to prove they were Christians.
- d. PERSONAL. If I simply do what Romans 10:9,10 says, I can be sure I'm believing the gospel of Christ. It's that simple!
11. a. Eternal condemnation. Without Christ one is forever lost.
- b. PERSONAL.
12. Paul repeated the statement because it was so important that everyone accept the pure gospel; else they were eternally condemned..
13. a. Do I seek favor from men or God?
- b. Do I seek to please men?
- c. If I were trying to please men I would not be a servant of Christ
- d. He said they spoke as men approved of God to be entrusted with the gospel. They were not trying to please men but God, who tests their hearts.
14. "If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father Honor."

ANSWERS:

1. PERSONAL.
2.
 - a. "Gospel, appa. orig. god spel, 'good tidings' or 'glad tiding.' Esp. concerning salvation and the kingdom of God as announced to the world by Christ; hence, the body of doctrine taught by Christ and the apostles; Christian revelation; to evangelize." New Century Dictionary, p. 671. Also see Scofield footnote on Rev. 14:6.
 - b. That Paul was set apart for the gospel of God.
 - c. Jesus gave the command to preach and teach the gospel and He gave the authority to make disciples of all nations, to baptize in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, to teach the converts to observe all that He had commanded..
 - d. The gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation.
3.
 - a. Paul was showing the reason he was so zealous in persecuting Christians before he was converted. He was a true Jew of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews, a Pharisee. When it came to the law, he was blameless. There wasn't a fault in him as far as his Jewish credentials were concerned. He observed all the Jewish external observances; because of these deeply rooted traditions, he tried to destroy the Christian church.
 - b. Phil.3:9,lo Paul said it wasn't the obeying God's law, or counting on his own goodness that saved him, but it was faith in Christ, and depending upon Him alone. He said he'd found the only way to know Christ and to experience His mighty resurrection power in his life was through faith. v.9.
4. Paul said that he had been chosen by Christ Himself, as His apostle; it was He Who taught him and He Who told him what to say.
5.
 - a. Before he was born he was chosen, v.15.
 - b. God told Jeremiah He knew him before he was formed in the womb; before he was born He had sanctified him and ordained him to be a prophet to the nations.
 - c. PERSONAL.
6.
 - a. The unmerited love and favor of God, unmerited mercy.
 - b. Paul felt it a great privilege to be called of God to preach the gospel to the Gentile nations. It was a humbling experience and Paul knew it was in God's grace and mercy that he was called. His humiliation must have been doubled when he recounted his terrible persecution of the Christians whom God loved so much and for whom He sent His Son to die a terrible death to redeem. It pleased God to choose him.
7.
 - a. To reveal His Son to Paul.

- b. To preach among the Gentiles.
8.
 - a. To the Arabian Desert.
 - b. During the 3 years Paul was in the Arabian Desert, theologians believe God gave him all the great teaching truths that we-can study today. PERSONAL.
 - c. PERSONAL.
9. They were N.W. of the Arabian Desert, a long distance away.
10. PERSONAL. Can't you just hear Peter say to Paul? "Saul, we can do this job because 'the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous and His ears are open to their prayers.'" And Paul would reply, "Yes Peter, 'we can do all things through Christ Who strengthens us.'" (I Peter 3:12 is Peter's comment; Phil. 4:13 would be Paul's reply.)
11.
 - a. Paul told the Galatians that what he was writing was true, "God is my witness. I lie not."
 - b. Paul desperately wanted them to know that he had taught them truth, a truth he received from God, not men.
 - c. PERSONAL
12.
 - a. Verse 22 tells us he wasn't known by face. They had only heard of him, v.23.
 - b. That the man who had persecuted them unmercifully had turned to Christ and was preaching the gospel.
 - c. That his conversion and commission cause Paul great peril and humiliation
13.
 - a.

They glorified God because of me	RVS	
They glorified God in me		KJV
They praised God because of me	NIV	
They gave God glory because of 'me		LB
And they thanked God for what had happened to me.		Phillips
 - b. God was glorified by the Gentiles' receiving Christ and their repentance giving them eternal life.
14. We are chosen by Him. and we must suffer for His name sake.
15. PERSONAL.

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LESSON 4
Galatians 2:1-10, Acts 15

ANSWERS:

1. a. 3 years. Gal.1:18.
 b. PERSONAL.
2. a. 14 years. Gal. 2:1.
 b. Barnabas and Titus.
3. He went in response to a revelation from God
4. Paul went to tell the leadership in Jerusalem what he preached to the Gentiles because he did not want his teachings to have been in vain. He wanted it to be productive for God. He wanted to clear up the issue raised by the false teachers, their rules which Paul knew were in error, the question of circumcision and keeping the law
5. a. v.3 says the council agreed with him and did not require Titus to be circumcised
 b. Titus was not a Jew; he was a Greek convert of Paul's. The elders could have required Titus to be circumcised as all Jews if they had believed it was necessary for salvation. They chose the truth that circumcision is not necessary; grace alone saves. Their judgment in the matter was important as support and verification to those who went out to teach the grace of God.
6. Verses 4-6. Paul referred to the false brethren who'd slipped into the conference in Jerusalem to spy on the liberty Paul had asserted that the converts had in Christ Jesus. But the false ones made no headway and the matter had been settled then.
7. a. They intended to enslave Paul and other Christians with rituals and regulations of worship that demand circumcision and keeping the law in order to be saved.
 b. They didn't budge because they wanted to preserve the true gospel which is salvation by God's grace alone.
8. a. Peter.
 b. God made the choice.
 c. That the Gentiles were part of God's plan of salvation.
 d. God gave them the Holy Spirit just as He did for the Jews.
 e. God purified their hearts by faith, as He did for the Jews.
 f. Why do you want to test God by putting a yoke upon the neck of the Gentiles which we or our fathers before us have been unable to bear?
 g. Salvation is for all through faith in the grace of God by Jesus Christ. PERSONAL.
9. Verse 12 tells us the whole assembly became silent as they listened to Barnabas and Paul tell about the marvelous signs and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles through them.
10. Paul is humble, "the least of the apostles, "unfit to be an apostle. Paul persecuted the Christians

(the-church of God). Paul said, "I am what I am by the grace of God," and that "His grace...was not in vain." He said he worked harder than any of them, but he gave God full credit. The important issue wasn't who preached the gospel, but that the gospel is preached and believed!

11. His confidence was rewarded as James, Cephas and John, pillars of the church, gave their consent for him to continue his ministry to the Gentiles by offering the hand of fellowship.
12.
 - a. The brothers' final instruction was for Paul and Barnabas to see to the needs of the poor.
 - b. Later there was a famine in Jerusalem and Paul and Barnabas took a large contribution from the Antioch Christians to the stricken congregation in Jerusalem.
13.
 - a. "There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be open handed toward your brothers and toward the poor and needy in your land."
 - b. In ministering to needy persons you have their attention and gratitude, usually. They are more open when they have the kindness of someone, more ready to listen and trust their benefactor.
 - c. It may well be so, because they may not feel another need, but God's will is that no one perish, but all come to repentance and a saving knowledge of His Son, Jesus Christ.
14.
 - a.
 - 1) No compromise in essentials. Do not settle for anything less of God's Word, the gospel
 - 2) Liberty in non-essentials. Give others the freedom to do things in-their own way, just so they get the job done in a godly fashion
 - 3) Agreement in strategy. Make plans; go ahead and each do what is needed to be done. Let others do their jobs without criticism or pressure. Paul and Peter were a fine example of this. They each served the Lord but used their freedom to do it in their own way.

All of these three are especially important in family relationships as well as in working groups. Many problems are the result of not yielding in one or more of these areas.

- b. PERSONAL.

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LESSON 5
Galatians 2:11-21

ANSWERS :

1. PERSONAL.
2. Paul opposed Peter to his face because he was doing wrong.
3.
 - a. Peter was afraid of offending the Jewish legalists who believed circumcision was necessary for salvation.
 - b. PERSONAL.
4.
 - a. The Judaizers (Jewish legalists) expected the Gentiles to keep the Jewish laws. especially circumcision. This implied Christ's finished work was not sufficient.
 - b. That the Gentiles had completely broken with their pagan past.
5.
 - a. Barnabas and the other Jewish Christians who lived at Antioch.
 - b. God.
 - c. PERSONAL. One can't, because often following God's instructions means cutting yourself off from people. Many times it is from those you love, family, friends, or social groups. Following God often makes you the one that is odd and the outsider.
 - d. PERSONAL.
6.
 - a. Peter followed afar off.
 - b. "Follow Me!"
 - c. PERSONAL.
7. The glory will follow!
8.
 - 1) Admit or confess your (fault) SIN.
 - 2) Pray for each other.
9. They knew the truth that salvation is grace alone, not laws, but they still were following the law; their actions were not observing the truth that laws do not save.
10. "Why would you, Peter, a Jew by birth, but one who has long since been free of the law, ask the Gentile converts to be subject to the law?"

11.
 - a. Vv.15,16. Obedience to law does not give you salvation!
 - b. By faith in Christ Jesus, v.16.
 - c. PERSONAL.
12. Vv.17,18. Paul said if we tried to justify ourselves we are saying Christ's work wasn't enough. Christ's work is enough, it stands! It is complete! If we think or act otherwise we are refusing His righteousness and are seeking our own self-righteousness. We are then bound by the law, and responsible to keep all of it. PERSONAL.
13.
 - a. Through the body of Christ.
 - b. To bring forth fruit to God.
 - c. Union with Christ.
14.
 - a. PERSONAL.
 - b. When Paul explained he had been crucified with Christ, yet he lived, because Christ lives in him, he laid the foundation for the Ephesian passage which says that God not only raised Christians up but made us to sit in the heavenly places with Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. Paul was showing how down through the ages, each generation was to receive his gift of God, eternal life and heavenly glory. .
15. It would cancel it.
16. It tells us that sin reigned in death, but, grace reigns through righteousness in Jesus Christ. It is forever true: those who receive Christ's righteousness receive God's gift of eternal life, but those who refuse have chosen death; they die in their sins.
PERSONAL:

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LESSON 6
Galatians 3:1-5

ANSWERS:

1. PERSONAL .

2. a. See the 7 points at the end of the notes.
 b. PERSONAL.
3. 1) The men were amazed when the women came and told them Jesus' tomb was empty.
 2) The women told them an angel said Jesus was alive.
 3) The men followed the women to prove what they had said was true.
 4) Jesus said they were foolish and slow of heart not to believe what the prophets had told them.
 5) The prophets had told of Christ's death and resurrection.
4. The eye-witness report had been very important to the Galatians, but they believed the Judaizers, as well and fell into error after they'd been Christians for a long time.
5. The direct connection is they had forgotten what they'd been taught. This is dangerous. It allows Satan to get in with untruths. The power of the gospel is weakened by not exercising faith; their faith had grown weak for lack of use.
6. a. "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God."
 b. PERSONAL.
 c. PERSONAL.
7. a. 1) We, who receive Christ, are a praise to God.
 2) We trusted after we heard the truth
 3) We believed and were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit Who is the deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of all who are God's possession, to His praise and glory.
 b. PERSONAL. Ps.16:5. "The Lord is a portion of my inheritance." Heb.1:14. Salvation; Heb.6:12, All God's promises; Heb.9:15, the promise of eternal inheritance; Heb.11:7, righteousness; James 2:5, the Kingdom; 1 Peter 3:7. God's grace.
8. The missionaries were concerned about their converts; they went back to encourage them to continue in the faith. There would be trials and hardships. This was the way God had chosen them to go, the road they were to take. Regardless of the hardships, it was the way of God's kingdom. They appointed elders, prayed with fasting and committed them to the Lord's care.

9.
 - a. He was to sell all and give to the poor, then his treasures would be in heaven. He was to put Jesus first.
 - b. The Galatians already had assurance of eternal life; they believed; but then the Judaizers had come in and told them false doctrines and they believed they had to do something in their own effort to be saved. They had perverted the truth by believing their works were necessary for salvation.
 - c. PERSONAL.
10.
 - a. Remembering. Recall, or remember the former days after you were enlightened, you endured afflictions then.
 - b. As a saint you were reproached and afflicted. You were classed with others who receive the same ill-treatment.
 - c. You have a better and more enduring possession waiting in heaven.
 - d. So that we may do the will of God and receive what is promised.
 - e. His coming will not be delayed much longer.
 - f. By faith.
 - g. Believing in Christ is the way to be saved!
11. Living Bible says, "You have suffered so much for the Gospel. Now are you going to just throw it all overboard? I can hardly believe it!"
12. PERSONAL.
13. To spurn the Gift is to spurn the Giver. God out of eternal love gave us His most precious gift, Jesus Christ His Son, our Redeemer. To belittle or seek to pay for this precious gift is to say to God, "It isn't worth anything. God's Gift cannot be bought because it is a love gift. To seek to "bribe" God with petty little things we do, or even great things, is to insult Him.

This is a lesson we must learn and remember about God's gifts. Everything we receive for eternity comes from God as a gracious gift. If we were left to ourselves we would die in our sins.

God's free gifts are forgiveness, cleansing, the Holy Spirit, righteousness, justification, redemption, and eternal life. All are gifts and nothing we can give to Him could possibly compare with His Gift to us, because He has given all in Christ Jesus.

And all our righteous acts are like filthy rags (Isaiah 64:6).

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LESSON 7
Gen. 15:1-13; Acts 7:1-8

ANSWERS:

1. PERSONAL.
2. a. The God of Glory! (Glorious in Living Bible).
b. PERSONAL
3. It is what is now known as Iraq. Living Bible says, "God appeared to Abraham in Iraq before he moved to Syria, and ...he left the land of the Chaldeans and lived in Haran, in Syria" (Acts 7:1-8). Most translations call it Mesopotamia, which is the Greek rendering of the Hebrew Aram-Naharaim or "Syria of the two rivers."
Mesopotamia is the entire country located between the Tigris and the Euphrates rivers. It is a tract of land nearly 700 miles long and from 20 to 250 miles broad. It has been called "the Island" by the Arabian geographers. This name is almost literally correct because it is almost completely surrounded by water, except for a few miles between the source of the Tigris and Euphrates at Telek. Mesopotamia is the north-western portion of the tract between the great bend of the Euphrates and the upper Tigris. (Information at random from Smith's Bible Dictionary by William Smith, LL.D.)
4. a. His country, home, and family, v.3.
b. PERSONAL.
5. a. No inheritance, although God promised a new country to him and his descendants
b. PERSONAL
6. 1) Abraham would not see the inheritance. (Acts 7:5.)
2) Yet God gave the land of Canaan as a possession to his seed after him. (Acts 7:5.)
3) Abraham had God's promise of an heir. (Acts 7:5.)
4) The Lord told Abraham his people would be taken captive for 400 years, a people without a country. (Acts 7:6.)
5) God would judge and afflict the land where the Israelites had been in bondage. (Acts 7:7.)
7. V.8. God gave Abraham the Covenant of Circumcision
8. a. He was pointing out that Abraham's righteousness was a result of faith, not observing the law as the false teachers were insisting was necessary.
b. Abraham's physical descendants are through Isaac and Jacob, and the Jewish people. (Acts 7:8.)
c. Abraham's spiritual descendants are those who choose to put their faith in God's salvation through Christ's act of atonement on the cross. (v. 7.)

9.
 - a. Christ was to come through Abraham's seed (line). This was the first picture of the Messiah, because God was showing how He would come.
 - b. God's promise to Abraham was He would bless those who blessed him, and He would curse those who cursed him. It says all people on the earth will be blessed through Abraham.
 - c. PERSONAL.
10.
 - a. When Zacchaeus turned away from his old life to Him, Jesus said, "This day is salvation come 'to his house. forasmuch as he also is a son of Abraham." meaning he was saved by his faith.
 - b. Zacchaeus had become a new creation in Christ.
 - c. PERSONAL.
11.
 - a. A person is cursed if he puts himself under the law because it is impossible to keep all of the law. Therefore that person is condemned, lost!
 - b. There is NO condemnation to those who are IN CHRISTI
 - c. Through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life sets every believer in Christ free from the law of sin and death.
 - d. PERSONAL
12.
 - a. The tax collector cried out. "God have mercy on me, a sinner." Jesus said that that man, rather than the self righteous Pharisee, went home justified before God. Jesus also said that everyone who exalts himself will be humbled. and he who humbles himself will be exalted
 - b. Just-as-if-I'd-never-sinned!
 - c. "Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law" (v.10).
 - d. PERSONAL.
13. Exactly what Gal. 3 :11 says, "The righteous will live by faith." The Romans and Galatians verses are direct quotes of Habakkuk.
14. PERSONAL.
If I am to be justified (made right) before God, then it is accomplished by faith in what Jesus did for me. His finished work at Calvary and resurrection assure me I "will live" (am justified) by believing in Him.
15. PERSONAL.

ANSWERS:

1. PERSONAL.
2. PERSONAL. Faith says, "God did it. I am. free." The Law says, "I must know and obey every part of it." "I must do it."
3.
 - a. New Webster's Dictionary says: vT To buy or payoff, or clear by payment; to redeem a mortgage; to buy back; to recover; to discharge or fulfill, as a pledge or promise; to make atonement or amends for; to deliver or rescue, to deliver from sin and its consequences. Jesus bought back man's eternal life with God by giving his life for the payment of the debt. He fulfilled the pledge of God by being the One to make atonement for sin. He delivered man from sin and its consequences.
 - b. PERSONAL .
4. To curse is to wish evil against someone; to blight; to torment with great calamities. To use blasphemous or profane language; to swear. A sentence of divine vengeance on sinners. Jesus experienced all of these. He was the object of the divine vengeance on sinners. All people, being unable to keep all the law, would be "cursed" because the law could not satisfy the penalty required for righteousness before God.
5.
 - a. "Cursed be he who confirmeth not all the words of the law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen."
 - b. PERSONAL. No one can keep the law, so to try, shows self-effort. The self-life must be crucified with Christ; to live by it is to live by the flesh, in bondage.
6.
 - a. "Christ is the end of the law for righteousness, to everyone that believes."
 - b. PERSONAL.
7. PERSONAL. It was not a Jewish execution; those who punished this .way were Roman officials. Jewish punishment was by stoning. Even this. scripture in Deut. 21:23, written almost. 1500 years before Christ's death, was an indication of God's "foreknowledge". and plan for the redemption of man by Christ's death upon a cross.
8.
 - a. Law kept the blessing of Abraham from all people, and Rom. 10:4; shows us "Christ is the end of the law so there may be righteousness for everyone who believes." Christ took your sin with Him to the cross, and all who believe have been crucified with Christ and receive the Holy Spirit.
 - b. All who have heard the truth about Christ and received Him into their hearts are saved. When this supernatural act of salvation takes place, God puts within believers His Holy Spirit and they are sealed for eternity. John 1:12 says, "To as many as receive Him, to them gave He the power to become the children of God, even to them that believe on His name." Salvation costs Christ so much; God would never deny the finished work of the cross or the power of it, and Christ's resurrection is proof of this. The Holy Spirit in the

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 believer is God's surety, guaranteeing our eternal inheritance. For God to withdraw his Spirit would be to deny His Beloved Son's death for our sin.

9. God made an eternal covenant. with Abraham, an unconditional promise of blessings through Abraham's Seed, which with Christ's redeeming work on the cross for eternal salvation was free to all who receive Him (v.16).
10.
 - a. Because "Seed" is singular and it points to the Savior Jesus Christ.

 KJV says, "And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth. be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice."
 NIV says, "and through your offspring shall...."
 LB says, "and be blessing." (This leaves out the most important part of the promise! See v.17 for complete meaning.)
 RSV says, and by your descendants shall all...." This uses plural descendants. We need to keep clear the picture of God's plan of salvation coming through Abraham's seed, Who is Jesus, for God's new covenant hinges on this fact. (Read Hebrews 9:11-15; 10:10,12,14-18.)
 - b. V.17 says it was confirmed. by God, in Christ, and it can never be annulled
11.
 - a. The law brings wrath!
 - b. PERSONAL.
12. The first 17 verses of Matthew are genealogy. They trace Christ's lineage from Abraham to David. The first 15 verses are from one generation to another on the men's side, from father to son. When they came to Jacob, the father of Joseph (who was the husband of Mary) it says "Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ." Here the lineage acknowledges the mother of Jesus. This is the fulfillment of Gen.3:15 where God said, "I will put enmity between you and the women and between your seed and her seed." Paul in Gal. 3: 16 is confirming the lineage of Christ as the "Seed" of Abraham, the "Seed" promised centuries before to Eve.
13. Paul is pointing out that the promise of restoration of man's broken relationship with God was still valid, even though the Law was given God's plan of grace was not put aside when the Law came.
14.
 - a. Paul said that if the inheritance be of the law, then it wasn't by the promise, but that God in His grace, gave the PROMISE TO ABRAHAM!
 - b. When God made His promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no greater, He swore by Himself.
 - c. The question: Don't you know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived because those who live immoral lives, who are idol worshipers, adulterers or homosexuals--will have no share in God's kingdom. Neither will thieves. drunkards, slanderers, greedy people, or robbers share in God's kingdom.
15.
 - a. PERSONAL. By grace I am saved through faith, not of myself, but it is God's gift to me!
 - b. PERSONAL.

ANSWERS:

1. It was added because of sin.
2. Until the "Seed," Christ, came of Whom the promise was made.
3. The Ten Commandments.
4. God commanded Adam to not eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for if he did he would die.
5. Moses was speaking. Living Bible says, "I stood as an intermediary between you and Jehovah, for you were afraid...."
6.
 - a. The man, Jesus Christ.
 - b. v.6 says Jesus gave Himself as a ransom for all; that includes me!
 - c. PERSONAL
7.
 - a. It couldn't give life (v. 21)
 - b. It would have been able to give righteousness
8.
 - a. "For God committed them all to disobedience, that He might have mercy on all."
 - b. PERSONAL.
9.
 - a. The law, acting like a schoolmaster, held us captive under its "rules." Christ, fulfilling the penalty of sin, placed us under GRACE, free to all who believe, thus removing us from bondage to rules as the way to salvation.
 - b. Jesus said, "Have faith in God." Jesus said, "... the .Father is in me and I in Him." He is saying that they are One, and to believe in God is the same as believing in Jesus.
10. It shows you are not fully trusting Christ; you demean His Sacrifice.
11.
 - a. To prove to be guiltless, blameless, vindicated by believing Jesus for my sins. Just-as-if-I--bad-never-sinned. Rom.4:23-5:1, Rom.3:21-26.'
 - b. PERSONAL.
12.
 - a. By faith in Jesus Christ (v.26).
 - b. PERSONAL.
13.
 - a. PERSONAL. To as many as receive Him, to them He gave the right to become God's children, to all who believe on His name; all those are born, not of blood, nor of the will of

the flesh, nor the will of man, but of God.

- b. We come into union with Him; we become one with Jesus as the Father and Son are one.
 - c. PERSONAL. Being adopted into God's family gives me great assurance because that can never be altered, nor nullified. Even if I am faithless, He is faithful. He is faithful to His Word (2 Tim.2: 13). This touches me deeply, I want to be faithful to Him.
- 14.
- a. Christ is the go-between, the mediator, between God and me. Jesus' sacrifice satisfied God so He wouldn't have to bring those to justice who believe in Jesus' sacrifice.
 - b. God poured our sins into the sinless Christ, and in exchange poured God's righteousness into us.
 - c. PERSONAL. A new Christian can grasp the concept of being a new creation because God, in Christ, came into his life making him a new creation; old things are passed away!
15. There is no distinction between individuals in God's eyes. Christ died for all. God so loved the whole world--He made provision for everyone's salvation through His Son's sacrificial death. .
16. By believing Christ, faith in Jesus. He was pointing out that our righteousness is not dependant on keeping the law, including circumcision. Depending on laws for salvation keeps us under the curse. Faith in Jesus and what He did is the only way to have righteousness credited to us. This was another reminder to the Galatians (and us) that works (which the false prophets were teaching) do not save!

ANSWERS:

1. PERSONAL.
2. Raised, related, responsive, rescued, reminded, rely, recite. PERSONAL
3. PERSONAL.
4.
 - a. A slave is one who has no rights, no possessions, no authority. An heir is one who is entitled to an inheritance and has authority over his property.
 - b. Paul is saying the minor heir and the slave are both incapable of having any rights to act in a legal sense. The guardian was as entirely the representative of the one as the master of the other. Both the slave and the heir were subject to the same discipline, correction and restraining action. Both were under the protection of the authority over them.
5.
 - a. Minority of age, a child.
 - b. It is God, the Father, Who sends the Holy Spirit into a heart when the person asks Christ to be his Savior. Then the Holy Spirit will act as a tutor; He teaches, instructs, guides, corrects, and reveals Christ to the believer. At the appointed time God will bring all His children to Himself to receive their complete inheritance; this will take place when Christ returns for His body of believers.
 - c. The blessings of all spiritual blessings which come with the experience of being identified with Christ in His nature here on earth as well as in heaven in the future. This means power, joy, peace, self-control, etc.
 - d. Col. 2:8 warns not to let anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ.
6. The world was not ready. God gave the custodianship of His plan and the law to chasten and guide. This period of time lasted until "the fullness of time" when He sent the Savior, Jesus Christ. While under the law Israel was like a minor child, unable to keep all his father's rules, not grown up enough to even understand all that his instructors told him. People lived under threat of punishment until Jesus came to bring His acquittal and inheritance. Many of them did not receive Christ; the legalists and religious men could not accept the humble birth and teachings of Jesus which were to ALL men. God commissioned Paul to bring the message of salvation to the Gentiles who received it along with the full inheritance of God's gift of Sonship.
7.
 - a. The law was the old way, either keeping the law for the Jews, or idols for Gentiles. The law could never release anyone from bondage. It had no way to do so because no one could keep it, anyone under law was under punishment by it; it only condemned. It did not provide acquittal. So, God in His time, sent Jesus, born of a woman, as a man subject to the law, in order that He could redeem those bound by the law. Many teach the law but do not provide the teaching of the fulfillment of that law in Christ Jesus! To acquire that knowledge is to be brought from being a minor to legal age with God's gracious provision of sonship upon accepting Christ as Savior. When this happens, one is no longer subject to the law.

- b. "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15 RSV). Jesus was saying God's time for the fulfilling of the law was at hand, the Messiah had come and God's plan was being completed. Men were to believe the Good News!
8.
 - a. God was ending the legal age, or dispensation of the law. The dispensation of grace was ushered in by Christ's death for all sinners.
 - b. God sent His Son to bring this new dispensation (a period of time and a new plan of grace).. After Jesus' death and resurrection the time had come. The time was for the building of the church, the bride of Christ. This is also known as the time of the Gentiles.
9. Joseph, who was espoused to Mary, Jesus' mother, was considering a quiet divorce when an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit."
10. The law required the male child to be circumcised on the eighth day. Mary and Joseph, in keeping the law, brought Jesus to be circumcised as the law demanded--Jesus was subject to the law. (See Gen. 17:12.)
11.
 - a. "To redeem them that were under the law."
 - b. "the adoption of sons."
 - c. PERSONAL. Jesus did not come to be served but to serve, and give His life a ransom for ME!
 - d. Whosoever will receive Jesus Christ as savior will be saved. This means anyone who receives Christ for the forgiveness of his sins will be saved. All can be saved, the provision has been made. The choice is up to each individual.
12.
 - a. V.6. He has sent His Spirit into our hearts.
 - b. PERSONAL.
 - c. John 1:12; 11 Cor. 5:17; Eph. 3:17; Eph. 2:13; etc.
13.
 - a. V.6. You have the precious privilege of calling God, "Abba Father."
 - b. The presence of the indwelling Holy Spirit.
 - c. PERSONAL.
14.
 - a. You are no longer a slave but a child of God and as a child of God you are His heir. The Spirit bears witness with our spirit we are the children of God.
 - b. The Gentiles are fellow heirs and that includes ME!.
 - c. PERSONAL

ANSWERS :

1. PERSONAL. Any fruit in my life brings God glory. Being a disciple of Jesus brings God's blessing
2. Review: Gal. 4:6 tells us 3 important things. When God puts His Spirit in us we become His children. We have the right to speak to God. We can call God "Father," in a new and intimate relationship to Him.
3. PERSONAL. The knowledge that Jesus LIVES in my heart releases His power to want to keep growing, learning and talking to Him.
4. Evidently the sailors worshiped different gods: each sought help from his own god
5. a. Sports, sex, sensationalism, pleasure. leisure, drugs, drink, partying, self-sufficiency, etc.
b. Many of the same things!
- c. PERSONAL d. PERSONAL
6. Exodus 20:3. You shall have no other gods before the one true God.
Exodus 20:4. You shall make no graven images.
Exodus 20: 5. No homage shall be paid to other gods because God is a jealous God.
7. PERSONAL. They help us see God's position as the one and only sovereign God and how we live in a world where ungodly things take precedence over our time and energy. Before we were Christians we had been involved with ungodly things, that is, with things that were not centered in Christ. After we become Christians' we should have goals and the vision to do "all things unto the Lord."
8. Paul had. just said, "Now you know God," then he amended his statement because man is unable to know God by his own efforts. It is God who initiates this by His grace. He reveals Himself to us so that we can know Him. He has revealed Himself in Christ Jesus. See John 14:8,9.
9. Why go back to where you were before? Consider your lost state, consider your worship without true meaning, consider the commandment, "Thou shall have no other gods before me." Consider the fact that you did not know the one true God. Consider the fact that Christ is sufficient, nothing need be added to what He did. He paid it all!
10. a. Why do you want to go back into bondage?
b. PERSONAL.
c. PERSONAL. I started day to want to please God. It simplified my Christian walk of faith so much. It was as though Jesus took over. When I do the things I know God doesn't want, I feel an unrest in my heart and a longing to get right with my Father as quickly as possible.
11. "Seeing to it. than. that no one enslave you by means of the worthless deceits of human wisdom. which comes from the teaching handed down by men and from the ruling spirit of the universe, and not from Christ." (Good News Bible)

12.
 - a. Why do you want to observe days. months. times and years? He is really showing how they weren't worshipping God, but slipping back to thinking worship was following special days. etc. instead of fellow shipping in Christ Jesus.
 - b. Why do you return to become slaves once more to another poor, weak, useless religion? I fear I have wasted my efforts on you.
 - c. PERSONAL.
13. "For I wrote you out of great distress and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to grieve you but to let you know the depth of my love for you" (2 Cor. 2:4 NIV).
14.
 - a. We are free from legalistic rules to individually worship and honor our Lord, giving thanks to Him.
 - b. PERSONAL.
15. Because the power of God was not in them. The Holy Spirit active and full is the power of God unto salvation, justification, righteousness, spiritual growth, development of the gifts of the Spirit etc.
16. PERSONAL.

ANSWERS:

1. PERSONAL. The Galatians would have known there was no condemnation because they had Christ's life in them. They would have known the law was obsolete, done away with. They would have known Christ's death condemned all sin in the flesh. They would have known they had the power to withstand the Judaizers by the power of the Holy Spirit. They would have realized they had a totally new nature, subject to God, not the old nature. They may have seen through the Judaizers lack of truth by their display of the old nature. They couldn't help knowing that nothing was required to add to Christ's finished work. '
2. PERSONAL. They must have or they wouldn't have given in to the enemy. The knowledge that Christ lives in me is a powerful force to keep me from running after every teacher that comes along. The presence of 'Christ gives me the desire to study the Bible.' Paul had been, teaching them what he now writes to them, that they are in Christ free from the law, that Christ's atonement for all believers' sins nullified the law. The Judaizers were wrong, not Paul.
3. a. Paul told them he wasn't grieved by other people's treatment of him. he didn't condemn them. He really had a Christ-like 'attitude that expressed the fruit of the Spirit.
b. PERSONAL.
c. PERSONAL. It has an effect on everyone in the house; it can bring out some feelings of others. happy or bad-natured.
4. a. It didn't bother them: they accepted him. They had a very Christ-like attitude.
b. PERSONAL.
5. He had preached the gospel.
6. He was received as an angel of God, or even Christ Jesus Himself.
7. a. What has become of the joy you had?
b. PERSONAL.
8. a. Paul said, "I can testify that, if you could have done so, you would have torn out your eyes and given them to me" v.15.
b. The eyes are extremely precious and personal, often prized next to one's own life. This was an expression used in those days to demonstrate the value of an action.
9. a. He wanted them to realize he could tell them only the truth. A true friend will tell the truth for their good; although sometimes telling the truth results in loss of friendship.
b. PERSONAL.

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10. 1 Tim. 4:1-3 "God's Spirit specifically tells us that in later days there will be men who abandon the true faith and allow themselves to be spiritually seduced by teachings of demons. Teachings given by men who are lying hypocrites, whose consciences are as dead as seared flesh" (Phillips).
NOTE: In v.3 you will see how it ties into the winning of people into a cult so that they are in bondage to their master. They are told what to do, what to eat, what to wear, etc. These leaders are evil people.

2 Tim. 3:5 "They will maintain a facade of 'religion' but their conduct will deny its validity. You must keep clear of people like this."

2 Tim. 2:12 "If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him. If we deny Him He will also deny us."

Conclusion: The ungodly will abandon the true faith and serve Satan. They will try to disguise themselves and win converts. but in the end they will be found out. We are to keep away from this kind of people. It is a sin to deny Truth; God, Christ and the Holy Spirit are Truth.

11. The false leaders used the method of isolationism and enthusiasm. They had such zeal and were so friendly they consumed all their prey's time, drawing the victim away from the fellowship, the body of Christ.
12. Zeal is fine if it's for the right purpose. The Judaizers' zeal was to win the Galatians for their own gain, their cause. The zeal should have been directed to the right purpose, a zeal for Jesus. to follow Him. This can be a good test for us: See where the zeal is directed, to men or to God.
13.
 - a. Those who have zeal to do evil will produce evil results, thus they bear evil fruit. Zeal directed to truth will result in good fruit. Our fruit should be evaluated often.
 - b. PERSONAL.
14.
 - a. Paul agonized over the ones who were being led astray from the truth; he was suffering "as a mother waiting for her child to be born." He said he longed for the time when they'd finally be filled with Christ.
 - b. PERSONAL.
15.
 - a. 1) Paul was tender. 2) Paul persevered for souls. 3) Paul painfully suffered that others might know Christ. 4) Paul parented his children.
 - b. Christ was tender. Christ persevered toward His goal; the cross that all who believed Him for it might be saved. Christ suffered for others that they might know His Father. Christ, by His Spirit, parents everyone who seeks Him for spiritual growth.
16. Paul scolded, yet he was loving like many parents, he was at a loss for words. v.20.
17. PERSONAL.
18. PERSONAL.

ANSWERS:

1. To the "foolish believers" or "foolish brethren". See Gal.3:1; Gal.4:12. Paul asked his readers if they didn't hear because they had been told they weren't under law many times. In fact, the question had been raised and answered four previous times. (2:19-21; 3: 1-3; 25,26; 4:4-6.) So after addressing this very question so many times Paul simply asks them, "Why do you want to be under the law? Don't YOU hear what the law says?" It was read in the synagogue week after week, so they had heard it.
 2. Paul knew the believers had heard the Scriptures and so he started with something with which they were familiar, something they could not argue about. Abraham was a supreme authority to the Jews. Paul used him to illustrate the truth he was teaching,
 3. Hagar, the slave woman, and Sarah, Abraham's true wife.
Hagar's son Ishmael was born because Abraham and Sarah took matters in: to their own hands; they didn't wait upon or believe God for their son.
Hagar's son represents the world and the flesh.
Sarah, Abraham's true wife bore Isaac from whom God would produce the Seed that would save the world of people from their sins.
 4. The two sons were not born under the same conditions; one was a physical conception and birth, just like every person who is born into this world The other son was born by supernatural conception representing the super natural life of those who receive Christ. John 1:12 tells us that "To a many as receive Him (Christ), to them gave He the power to become sons of God, even to those who believe in His name."
 5. An allegory is a symbolic story, a story that pictures the meaning of something else. Although the Sarah-Hagar account actually happened, Paul used it to address the 'immature believers and show truth.
 6.
 - a. The two women represented two covenants. One covenant was made at Mount Sinai where Moses was given the Ten Commandments; this covenant produces bondage to all who try to keep the law. The other, given to Abraham by promise, gives freedom to all who believe God for it. They receive the promise through faith in God's grace and are free from the law. Hagar, bondage; Sara, freedom.
 - b. All who are of Isaac's lineage are the children of promise. Those who come through Ishmael are not the spiritual heirs of God. Both Ishmael and Isaac had Abraham for their father, but it was through Isaac's lineage the promised Savior would come. It was through faith his birth was to take place. It is that way today; each person has to believe God for his, spiritual birth. It can't be done in "our own way" (or works) but must be done by God's provision of grace. Ishmael was the result of "doing it my own way."! (See Rom. 9: 7-9.)
 7. Paul wanted the Galatians and the misguided Jews to know Isaiah prophesied that one day Israel would not be barren because God would restore her and the Savior would come from her, and through Him producing many offspring. These are the believers, children of the free woman, born into God's family by their spiritual birth through the blood of Christ.
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8. Ishmael, the child of the flesh, mocked Isaac, the child of the freewoman. This caused conflict and resentment between Sarah and Hagar (Agar, the Greek form of Hagar), which pictures the warfare between the physical and the spiritual.
 9. Conflict is instigated by animosity and hostility in the flesh. Satan is the author of this. James

points out that to follow the desires of the flesh is to have conflict and also enmity with God.

10. James says, "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you men of double mind." The key is to humble YOURSELF before the Lord and He will help you. James speaks of this to individuals.
11. PERSONAL. By believing in the finished work of Christ to save me. Then the Spirit of the living God lives with me, a born-again child of God. I am born into the lineage of Isaac, spiritually, by the Lord Jesus Christ's life in me. Thus, I am a child of the promise God gave Abraham.
12. a. We have two completely different sets of standards, the one responds to the flesh and the other is obedient to the Spirit. One desires the things of the world; the other keeps the mind and the heart fixed upon the things above.
b. PERSONAL.
13. Paul said his speech and preaching were not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and power, that our faith should not look to the wisdom of men but to the power of God. This was appropriate for the Galatians to whom Paul was writing. They were listening to men who were teaching them false doctrine this endangered them; they could be led from the truth of Christ's gospel.
14. Sarah said, "Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even with Isaac." Paul quoted this to the Galatians (Gal.4:30) to put the Judaizers out of the way.
15. a. Gen. 21:1-17. All the things God did:
Gave Sarah a child
Gave Sarah laughter
Honored Sarah's position as wife when she took the stand to have Hagar and her child cast out
He promised to make a nation of the son of Hagar
He heard Hagar's crying out in grief, and also Ishmael's cry
He encouraged her:
b. God is merciful to ALL, even unbelievers. He gives them guidance, substance, and is always seeking them to give them the gift of salvation through His Son Jesus Christ.
c. PERSONAL.
16. PERSONAL.

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LESSON 14
Galatians 5:1-15

ANSWERS:

1. The contrast between bondage in the law, and freedom in Christ!
2. PERSONAL.
 - a. God's covenant with Abraham is mine. I am one of his offspring that receive God's blessings.
 - b. God is faithful Who promised.
 - c. I can come boldly to God's throne room to receive mercy and grace to help in my time of need.
 - d. I have God's treasure in my body (earthen vessel). God's treasure is Christ's life, His Holy Spirit and His Word that live in me.
3. PERSONAL. Before, I was of the world, not spiritual but sensual, worldly. I know now I was not God's child so I belonged to Satan. I did things he told me to do, for I was under his direction. I satisfied my own desires. I became God's child when I asked Christ to come into my heart. I know He came in, but I didn't start to grow IN HIM for 35 years. Then because I was watered by the Word and fed by His Spirit from the Word, I commenced to grow. I am seated with Christ in heaven, spiritually. My salvation is in Jesus.
4. Paul said we are to stand firm in Christ because He has set us free from the demands of the law. We live in grace and do not gain God's favor by keeping the law.
5. Paul said circumcision was to no avail because it added something to Christ's completed work on Calvary, v. 2, and puts man under the law.
6. No, because the law had been fulfilled in Christ' sacrifice, which is the ultimate of God's grace toward men.
7.
 - a. People who believe that they must do something to add to their salvation will fall from grace. This means they believe that if they keep certain holy days or do penance for sin they are saved. They also believe that doing these things is necessary to their salvation. This does not affect their salvation IF they have been born into God's family by the process of confession, cleansing, repentance, and acceptance of Christ into their hearts and lives, but it puts them in bondage--the dismal attempt to keep the law which they cannot do. The freedom which Jesus won is set aside. To do good things because of your love for Christ is a different matter.
 - b. No man can pluck me out of God's hand! PERSONAL.
8. V.6. Faith expressing itself through love.
9. True love is action. God loved us first and proved it: He sent His Son to die upon the cross that we might be made righteous. (God, out of love, raised Christ up from the grave. Thus the first man of flesh entered heaven.)

10. a. Paul used the expression about the leaven right after he asked the question, "Who has hindered you?" Then he answered it with, "The One Who called you certainly didn't." He used the proverb to show how evil would pervade everything. The power of evil was there and just a little leaven (sin) would spread to the whole loaf (body). Evil does spread because it makes continual demands. One departure from the purity of the Word will lead to others. The Galatians had allowed this, and now found themselves in great spiritual difficulty because they had lost their joy and fervor for Christ. (They were out of grace.)

b. PERSONAL.
11. PERSONAL. The Living Bible says Paul trusts God to draw the Galatians back. This comforts me because there are loved ones I am asking God to bring back to Himself. I have confidence in His faithfulness to bring it about.
12. They are under God' s severe judgment, v. 10b..
13. a. "Why am I still persecuted?"

b. Jesus said, "If they persecute me, they will persecute you," (paraphrased). They persecuted Jesus. He said that a servant is not better than his master. I know this is important; I, too, can expect the enemy's attack. A believer who has a fruitful ministry is always the subject of the enemy's arrows. PERSONAL.
14. He preached the cross of Christ as the only way to be saved. This was contrary to their teaching of needing circumcision.
15. The Greek word Paul used here means "to cut off" or "to castrate." It seems to be a very sarcastic remark with a double meaning...
16. a. By willfully committing sin that sets a bad example for the non-Christian, v.13.

b. Use your freedom to love and serve one another, v.13.
17. a. Love your neighbor or others as you do yourself, v.14.

b. PERSONAL. "Don't seek revenge or bear a grudge against one of your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord!"
18. a. The Living Bible says, "But if instead of showing love among yourselves you are always critical and catty, watch out! Beware of ruining each other." The danger is the fellowship will be broken.

b. PERSONAL .
19. PERSONAL.

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LESSON 15
Galatians 5:16-26

ANSWERS:

1. To obey only the Spirit's instructions.
2. You won't gratify the desires of the flesh.
3. They had listened to legalizers who said they had to be under law.
4. The battle is between the spiritual and the physical natures of man. A believer is to yield to the Spirit in all things; then the desires of the flesh will not keep the believer in bondage to sin.
5.
 - a. You can avoid being under the law by being led by the Spirit.
 - b. PERSONAL. Yes. each time I have ever led someone to Christ, I KNOW I have been led by the Spirit. Or, if there is peace and harmony in our home, I know those in it are being led by the Spirit.
6. NIV. vv.19-21. Sexual immorality, impurity, and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy. fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like.
7.
 - a. NIV The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.
 - b. There is a terrible battle; that person becomes a battlefield between Christ's Spirit and Satan.
8.
 - a. Even though Christ lives within you, your body will die because of sin; but your spirit will live. for Christ has pardoned it. LB.
 - b. The knowledge of Christ's life within gives power; the presence of Christ is powerful against the enemy. The use of the power of Jesus is important for in Him we can do all things.
 - c. PERSONAL.
9. Paul told the Romans, "If you live by the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body you will live," Here Paul clearly shows how to appropriate the use of the Spirit. It is the tool by which sin is put to death. Or as Paul said before, "crucify the flesh." No sinful flesh can enter into God's presence. No one who has not crucified their flesh and its desires will be able to inherit God's kingdom. - .
10. To put off anger, wrath, malice, slander. and foul talk. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature and its practices.
11.
 - a. PERSONAL. v. 10: Being renewed to be like our Creator. New nature v. 11: All are one in Christ and Christ is all; v.12: We are God's chosen, and are to put on, or cultivate compassion, kindness humility, gentleness, and patience; V.13 Forgive one another and help one another; V.14: Love each other and be bound together in love. Vv.15.,16:

Peace in the heart of the believer as we sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. (This indicates the importance of the message being in the songs, and also the importance of using songs to teach.) V.17: Whatever is done must be as to the Lord Jesus Christ, with the thought in mind it is done by those who represent Him. We can enter into the very presence of God with Christ to give God thanks. PERSONAL

- b. God writes His laws on our hearts. He does this by Christ's life being lived out as we are conformed into Christ's image. When we are obedient to God's laws of love, we are at peace. If we listen to the inner voice of God, spoken from the regenerate heart, we will fulfill God's law, which is the 2nd great commandment Christ gave, "Love your neighbor as yourself." This is all the by-product of the Holy Spirit within the believer.
- 12. a. "Put on the whole armor of God that you may withstand the wiles of the devil."
- b. PERSONAL. The weapons we use are not earthly, but spiritual. They have divine power, God's power. The sword of the Spirit (the Word of God) is one weapon we can use to put down the false seasonings that try to shake our faith. We counter the imaginations that creep in with the truth of the Bible. We choose to believe God!
- 13. To put the flesh to death. To make it powerless, lifeless.
- 14. a. LB. "All of us used to be just as they are, our lives expressing the evil within us, doing every wicked thing that our passions or our evil thoughts might lead us into. To begin with, we were born with evil natures, and were under God's anger just like everyone else."
- b. PERSONAL.
- c. Bodily desires can be eating, drinking, sex, satisfying cravings for "things," laziness, or anything that is strictly to make the body comfortable or happy. Not yielding one's rights: being selfish, dogmatic, and overbearing are just a few ways a person can satisfy the "flesh."
- d. There is no condemnation to those who walk according to the Spirit and not according to the flesh. PERSONAL.
- 15. a. "If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit."
- b. God sent His Son in sinless flesh Who destroyed sins control over us by His sacrifice. L.B.
- c. Rom. 8:4 tells us the righteous requirement of the law is fulfilled in those who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.
- d. Their mind-set should be on the things of the Spirit, not the things of the flesh because being carnally minded is death, but being spiritually minded is life and peace.
- 16. PERSONAL.

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LESSON 16
Galatians 6:1-18

ANSWERS:

1. a. 1) Purity of the gospel.
 2) The message of the cross.
 3).Vision for evangelism,. Christ's salvation for all.
 4) Concern for the great commission.
 5) Rebuild faith in Christ in loved ones.

 b. PERSONAL.
2. That a spiritually-minded Christian should gently restore wayward brethren.
3. Take heed when you restore a wayward fellow-believer. If you aren't careful you may be tempted to sin. Paul warned not to be tempted to compare' yourself with another. Pride, anger. or lack of other loving helps such as patience and self-control would hinder your efforts and not be Spirit-led. We are to be careful to keep our eyes on the Lord and do all in His Spirit.
4. a. V.2 tells of helping one another as it fulfills the law of Christ, V.5 shows each should be responsible for his own burden. The difference is in "fulfill the law of Christ." This means to help another with love and humility.

 b. PERSONAL
5. a. When a person thinks he is something and he really isn't, he is deceiving himself. v.3.

 b. PERSONAL.

 c. PERSONAL. Paul spoke through the grace given to him for me not to think of myself more highly than I ought, but to think soberly, according to the measure of faith God gave me.
6. Sin is an individual problem. Each individual is responsible before God. Each will be judged or acquitted. The "for" at the beginning of the verse connects it to v.4. We are each going to face God, either to be acquitted by Jesus' blood or judged because we've rejected Jesus' saving grace.
7. a. The basic gift of giving and sharing. Paul was careful to speak of the principle of giving and receiving. He knew it was God's way of maintaining the gospel to the world. Paul considered giving to Christ's work a test of spirituality. If one invests his money for God he will reap a godly crop. God gives abundantly and He expects us to give in the same way. To keep short accounts with a generous God is to mock Him. See Rom.12:8; 2 Cor.9:7; Phil. 4:15.

 b. The Word of God says you are to share with those who minister to you.

 c. Paul stresses this same point by asking a question:"If we have sown spiritual things for you, is it a great thing if we reap your material things?"

8.
 - a. "Do not be deceived; God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows that he will reap."
 - b. PERSONAL..
9. The promise in v.9 is that if you aren't weary in well-doing you will gather from what you sow. "...in due season you shall reap."
10. The body of Christ, the believers, the church.
11. Paul had no copyist at hand, but concerned about his dear Galatians and the threat to their faith, he apparently wrote with his own hand, in "large letters," because of his poor vision, near blindness. We can imagine the pain and difficulty this epistle caused him. It is thought his affliction was ophthalmia, a common disease in the East.
12. Every believer must face the cross and the persecution that comes with it. The cross is the choice for every living person; they have to choose it or deny it. On their choice hangs their eternal destiny for the cross is the only way to salvation.
13.
 - a. The Judaizers wanted to boast they had the Galatian Christians circumcised, that they had won them over.
 - b. Paul said the Judaizers themselves didn't keep the law.
14.
 - a. Paul boasted in the cross of Jesus Christ.
 - b. Paul was crucified to the world.
 - c. PERSONAL.
15. 2 Cor. 5:17 tells me I am a brand new creation in Christ. Verse 18 tells me I have been given the ministry of reconciliation.
16.
 - a. The rule of being a new creation which he had just mentioned in v. 15.
 - b. Peace and mercy.
 - c. The "Israel of God," are those of the promise who walk by faith. The "people of Israel" are those who are according to the flesh. Paul is again emphasizing God's grace over works.
17.
 - a. Paul's body had been beaten and stoned. He bore the scars that showed his wounds caused by his suffering for Jesus Christ. The ritual bodily marks of circumcision were an outward sign of being a believing Jew. (See Acts 16:22-24.)
 - b. We cannot have any glory other than that which is "in Christ." God is not mocked; He died for our sins, He cannot accept anything less than our true, honest and loving worship. To think you can glory in the membership in a church is an affront to God. To think you can "Just be sincere and live a good life" is not enough; it is a mockery of Christ's redemptive act at Calvary.