

Freedom in Christ

Galatians 4:21-5:1

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Main Point:

Those who trust in Christ are free and must not return to slavery under the law.

- *4:21 Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not listen to the law?*

The Law cannot set us free

Historical Argument

- *22 For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by a slave woman and one by a free woman. 23 But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, while the son of the free woman was born through promise.*
 - Hagar & Ishmael: Genesis 16
 - Isaac and Sarah: Genesis 17-18, 21

Allegorical Argument

- *24 Now this may be interpreted allegorically: these women are two covenants.*

Old Covenant

New Covenant

New Covenant Application

Christ has set us free

- *5:1 For freedom Christ has set us free;*
 - John 8:31-36

So What?

- Stand firm in Christ.
 - *1b stand firm therefore,*
 - 1 Corinthians 15:1, 16:13
- Do not return to slavery
 - *1c and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.*
 - Romans 6:15-18