

# Basic Outline of Galatians

## 1. Introduction 1:1-9

- a. Paul's Authority 1:1-2
- b. Paul's Gospel 1:3-5
- c. Paul's Astonishment (replaces the normal Thanksgiving) 1:6-9

## 3. Justification by Faith Defended 1:10--2:21

- a. Defense of his Apostleship 1:10-12
- b. Outlines his history, his calling, and his mission to the Gentiles 1:13--2:14
- c. Affirms that both Jews and Gentiles are Justified by Faith 2:15-21

## 4. Justification by Faith Explained 3:1--5:1

- a. The Spirit comes through the Gospel, not the Law 3:1-5
- b. Law and Faith 3:6-29
  - > Abraham is cited as the father of promise
  - > The nature of the Law is examined relative to the function of Faith.
- c. Law and Grace 4:1--5:1
  - > Adopted children are not enslaved to the Law
  - > Law's failings relative to Grace is illustrated in the allegory of Hagar and Sarah

## 5. Justification by Faith Applied in Christian Living 5:2--6:10

- a. Freedom from works (circumcision as an example) 5:2-12
- b. Freedom to Live by love in the Spirit 5:13-26
- c. The Law of Christ 6:1-5
- d. Sowing to the Spirit 6:6-10

## 6. Personal Signature, Final Exhortation and Conclusion 6:11-18