

**GALATIANS**  
**From Slaves To Sons (part 1)**  
**Galatians 4:1-5**

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**1. The ritualistic and ceremonial aspects of the Law of God resulted in the Old Testament saints having the legal status of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a. God the Father ordained that His Law would restrain and \_\_\_\_\_ His people for the coming of the promised Messiah.

*"The meaning is that the ritual of Judaism was an elementary \_\_\_\_\_ preparing the way for the perfect doctrine of Christianity." - John Rowan*

- b. Those without knowledge of the Law of God can be held captive to religious ideas and ceremonies that especially appeal to the physical \_\_\_\_\_.

**2. It was the coming of \_\_\_\_\_ that accomplished the salvation that the ceremonial laws symbolized.**

- a. Jesus Christ came into the world ... *"when the \_\_\_\_\_ which had been ordained by the providence of God was seasonable and fit."* - John Calvin

- b. Christ could accomplish salvation because He only is \_\_\_\_\_ God and man.

- c. Christ could accomplish salvation because He perfectly fulfilled the \_\_\_\_\_ of God in both His life and His death.

**3. Jesus Christ's purpose for coming was so that man's legal status before God could be redeemed \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a. Christ's death, foreshadowed by the Law of God, redeems men from the \_\_\_\_\_ that God's Law requires.

- b. Christ death provides for men to move from being children of wrath and receive adoption as \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

*"It would be enough for God to release us from slavery, to rescue us from our captivity to the law, and so to redeem us from its curse. But God did not stop there. Once Christ had gained our freedom, He gathered us into His family. He went beyond redemption to adoption, turning slaves into \_\_\_\_\_." - Philip Ryken*

- 1) As God's adopted sons, we are in a unique and unbreakable relationship with God as our \_\_\_\_\_.

- 2) As God's adopted sons, *"... our relationship with each other is far deeper and more intimate than the relationship that angels, for example, have to one another, for we are all members of one \_\_\_\_\_."* - Wayne Grudem

- 3) As God's adopted sons we are to \_\_\_\_\_ our Father in heaven in the way that we live.