PROJECT "B.4"

Discussion Questions: Galatians

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Galatians 1

- 1. Why does Paul finds it necessary to defend his ministry?
- 2. What is the "different gospel" that was being taught in Galatia?
- 3. Why did Jesus choose Paul to explain the gospel the Galatians?

Galatians 2

- 4. Why did Paul initially preach in private to the leaders in Jerusalem?
- 5. Why did the Lord send Paul to the Gentiles and Peter [Cephas] to the Jews?
- 6. Paul seemed quite confident in confronting Peter. Are there lessons/watch-outs for us?

Galatians 3

- 7. Can we be righteous in the sight of God? How?
- 8. What was the original purpose of the Law? Was is its purpose now?
- 9. What does it mean to have been "baptized into Christ"?

Galatians 4

- 10. What things distinguish a son from a slave? How do these apply to us?
- 11. There is a hint here of Paul's medical problem. How did the Lord use this?
- 12. Paul makes much of the symbolism of Abraham's first two sons. What are the ways in which this is a compelling analogy to the promise of grace we have received in Jesus?

Galatians 5

- 13. Why did the circumcision become such a stumbling block?
- 14. How do the flesh and Spirit war against each other?
- 15. Should <u>all</u> believers have <u>all</u> of these fruits of the Spirit?

Galatians 6

- 16. What are we to do when our brother or sister sins?
- 17. What is the "law of the harvest"? Can you recall times when this played out in your life?
- 18. These last seven verses (v. 11-18) appear to be one of the longest portions of Paul's letters that he wrote out with his own hand. Considering the content, why do you suppose he did this?