

PAUL'S EPISTLE TO THE

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REVIEW: Galatians to this point

- Galatian congregations were a mixture of Jewish and non-Jewish believers
- Paul's letter was written primarily to the non-Jews, but Paul knew that the Jews would be reading it as well
- Letter motivated by the fact that some of the non-Jews were being swayed by "another gospel".
- The crux of the "other gospel" was that the non-Jews had to convert to Judaism, which implied observance to the "oral law"
- It appears that the non-Jews were being driven back into Roman paganism

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“liberty” – eleutheria” (Strong’s 1657)

Meaning – “freedom from bondage”

In LXX – translates the word “chuphshah”

חֲפֹשָׁה – Strong’s 2668

NKJ **Deuteronomy 30:1-3** Now it shall come to pass, when all these things come upon you, the blessing and the curse which I have set before you, and you call *them* to mind among all the nations where the LORD your God drives you, ² "and you return to the LORD your God and obey His voice, according to all that I command you today, you and your children, with all your heart and with all your soul, ³ "that the LORD your God will bring you back from captivity, and have compassion on you, and gather you again from all the nations where the LORD your God has scattered you.

NKJ **Isaiah 52:3-7** ³ For thus says the LORD: "You have sold yourselves for nothing, And you shall be redeemed without money . . . ⁷ How beautiful upon the mountains Are the feet of him who brings good news, Who proclaims peace, Who brings glad tidings of good *things*, Who proclaims salvation, Who says to Zion, "Your God reigns!"

Paul's Question:

“Since by Yeshua’s blood you’ve been redeemed and are no longer being held captive in the nations, are you going to trade bondage to ungodly men for bondage to a man-made system of laws?”.

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- You must keep ALL the Oral Torah as well as the Written Torah
- You have rendered Messiah's sacrifice as WORTHLESS

Gr. *katargeo* – Strong's 2673

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LXX translates “tikvah” תִּקְוָה – Strong’s 8615

LXE **Psalm 65:5** *Thou art wonderful in righteousness.*

Hearken to us, O God our Saviour; the hope (*elpis/tikvah*) of all the ends of the earth, and of them *that are* on the sea afar off:

NKJ **Ezekiel 37:11** Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope (*elpis/tikvah*) is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!

NKJ **Ezekiel 37:12-14** "Therefore prophesy and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, O My people, I will open your graves and cause you to come up from your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel . . . ¹⁴ "I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken *it and performed it*," says the LORD.' "

ESV Psalm 85:1-4; 7-10; 12-13 LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. ² You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin. Selah ³ You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger. ⁴ (You) Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us! . . . ⁷ Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation. ⁸ Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly. ⁹ Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land. ¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other . . . ¹² Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. ¹³ Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

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“hindered” is “anakopto” (Strong’s 348)
to beat back, check

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NKJ Philippians 1:3-6 I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, ⁴ always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, ⁵ for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete *it* until the day of Jesus Christ;

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- Yeshua paved the way for the restoration of the tribes
- “Israel” would cease to be a “Jewish” nation, and would be a “Hebrew” nation
- Judah and Israel would be equal in YHVH’s sight

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to amputate = “apokopto” - (Strong’s 609)

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ESV Numbers 15:30-31 But the person who does anything with a high hand, whether he is native or a sojourner, reviles the LORD, and that person shall be cut off from among his people. ³¹ Because he has despised the word of the LORD and has broken his commandment, that person shall be utterly cut off; his iniquity shall be on him."

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- As we come out of the world, we must be careful to not swap one type of bondage for another. In Galatians, the former bondage was the pagan system of the Greeks and Romans. The bondage Paul wanted them to avoid was a sense of redemption and salvation by association.
- If a person in any way believes he has obtain salvation by association with any people or organization –
 - The Messiah is of no value to you
 - You must be subject to that organizations rules and doctrines
 - You have rendered Messiah's sacrifice as worthless
- YHVH alone is the HOPE of righteousness

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Shalom Alechim

Peace be Unto You