## DO YOU WANT TO BE FREE?

## **WHO'S YOUR MOMMA?**

*Galatians* 4:21-31

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For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by the bondwoman and one by the free woman. Galatians 4:22

Legalism is not a question of what you do but why you do it.

You can't earn God's salvation or God's favor; it's grace!

How are you trying to be made right with God?

- 1. Many people try to come through Hagar.
  - A. Hagar represents the <u>covenant of Law</u>.
  - B. Hagar represents the <u>power of the flesh</u>.

    But the son by the bondwoman was born according to the flesh ... Galatians 4:23
  - C. Hagar represents bondage and separation.

    Now this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children.

    Galatians 4:25
- 2. A Christian is someone who comes through Sarah.
  - A. Sarah represents the <u>covenant of grace</u>.
  - B. Sarah represents the <u>promise of God and work of the Spirit</u>.

    REJOICE, BARREN WOMAN WHO DOES NOT BEAR; BREAK

    FORTH AND SHOUT, YOU WHO ARE NOT IN LABOR ... And you
    brethren, like Isaac, are children of promise. Galatians 4:27, 28

## C. Sarah represents <u>freedom and favor</u>.

But the Jerusalem above is free; she is our mother.

Galatians 4:26

## 3. Those of Hagar will always persecute those of Sarah.

But at that time he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, so it is now also. Galatians 4:29

- A. Legalists oppose the covenant and the people of grace.
- B. God has no regard for the works of the <u>flesh</u>.

  CAST OUT THE BONDWOMAN AND HER SON, FOR THE SON
  OF THE BONDWOMAN SHALL NOT BE AN HEIR WITH THE
  SON OF THE FREE WOMAN. Galatians 4:30
- C. God has regard for the person who walks by faith. *The righteous man shall live by faith. Galatians 3:11*

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