

GALATIANS 4

ILLUSTRATING JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH

Chapter 4

Summary: Paul illustrates the doctrine of justification by faith.

I. A legal illustration (1-7): (A) we were children in bondage [1-3]; (B) we were redeemed [4-5]; (C) we are now sons and heirs [6-7].

II. A personal plea (8-20): (A) do not turn to legalism (8-11); (B) remember our relationship (12-16); (D) know my heart [17-20].

III. A Biblical illustration (21-31): (A) the historical facts [21-23]; (B) the allegorical interpretation [24-27]; (C) the personal application [28-31].

Lesson: *Be justified by faith in Christ (freedom), not works (bondage).*