

Galatians 4:12-31

Motives and Choices

Recap 1:1-10

"If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed."

Recap 1:11-24

"He who used to persecute us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy."

Recap 2:1-10

"...they gave the right hand of fellowship to Barnabas and me, that we should go to the Gentiles..."

Recap 2:11-21

"...a man is not justified by the works of the Law but through faith in Christ Jesus..."

"...if righteousness comes through the Law, then Christ died needlessly..."

Chapters 3 & 4

Experience

Abraham

Law

Personal

Allegory

"...I beg of you, brethren, become as I am, for I also have become as you are..."

"...but you know that it was because of a bodily illness that I preached the gospel to you..."

"...but you received me as an angel of God, as Christ Jesus *Himself...*"

"...you would have plucked out your eyes and given them to me..."

"So have I become your enemy by telling you the truth?"

Galatians 4:17-18

"They eagerly seek you, not commendably, but they wish to shut you out so that you will seek them."

Galatians 4:19-20

"My children, with whom I am again in labor until Christ is formed in you— but I could wish to be present with you now and to change my tone, for I am perplexed about you."

Ministry is Personal

"People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care."

Dr. Charles Zimmerman

"What's their angle?"

If you don't know what someone's angle is then you're probably in trouble.

Intended audience

"Tell me, you who want to be under law, do you not listen to the law?"

The Galatians

The Judaizers

Two Sons

Born of a bondwoman

Born of the flesh

Represents Mount

Sinai

Brings slavery

Persecutor

Out Cast

Born of a free woman

Born of the promise

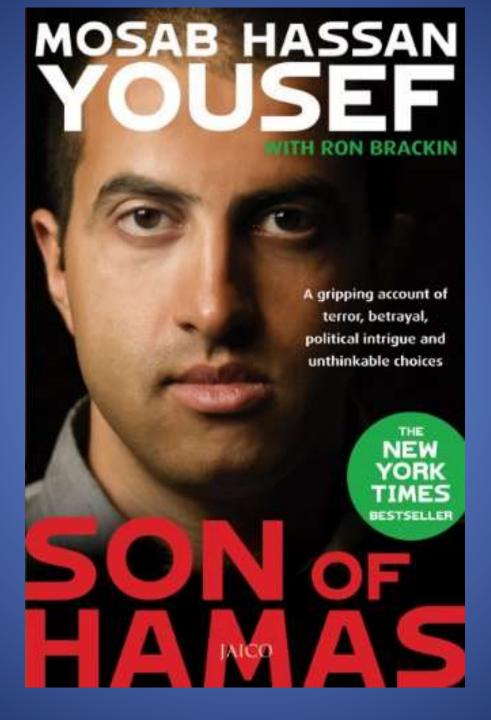
Represents new

Jerusalem

Brings freedom

Persecuted

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Convictions

These self-imposed rules becomes wrong when they:

- become a measure of your standing with God,
- are imposed on others, or
- build unnecessary <u>barriers</u> between people.

Living in Freedom

We live knowing that God loves us unconditionally <u>as we are</u> but that He loves us so much that He won't let us <u>remain</u> in that condition.

Motivation

The motivation for changes comes from within not externally from the law or from others.