



## Nourish Galatians Homework: Month 4

### Week 1

After praying, read or listen to Galatians from beginning to end.

Now go back and read this month's text, Galatians 4:8 - 5:12.

Which part of the text seems unclear to you?

Which part seems the most clear to you?

Write down what the text shows us about God. (i.e. His characteristics, what he has done or will do..)

Write down what the text shows us about ourselves/humanity in relation to God. (i.e. our tendencies, and how we are reliant on God...)

## Week 2

After praying, read through this month's text, Galatians 4:8 - 5:12.

Also, keep in mind that when studying a particular text, it helps to read several verses before and after the text to be aware of the immediate context.

Look through this month's text and write down any repeated words/phrases/idea you see.

Now write down any contrasting ideas or images you see.

Repetition and contrasting ideas can show us emphasis of the text. Based on what you've found, what do you think Paul wants to communicate in these verses? Summarize this month's text in your own words.

Ask yourself how this applies to your life? Bring correction? Bring encouragement? (We will discuss this further in week 4)

### **Week 3**

After praying, read through this month's text, Galatians 4:8 - 5:12.

What words or phrases from last week's homework deserve our close attention? This includes terms we don't know and terms that can easily become too familiar with. Write down the words.

Define the words you wrote down above. \*It is important to define words the way the Bible defines them. Consider reading the text in a different translation. What is the dictionary definition of the words? For further study a concordance can be helpful to see where a particular word is used elsewhere in the Bible. (For free online access see: <https://biblehub.com/strongs.htm>)

Does the definition you came to make sense in the context of the verse?

Is Old Testament is quoted or alluded to? Study the context of that passage as well.

#### **For further study:**

- 1) The history of the births of Abraham's sons is found in Genesis 15-21, particularly 15:1-6, 16:1-4, 17:15-19, and 21:1-7. Read these verses and write down how they help explain Galatians 4:23

## **Week 4**

After praying, read through this month's text, Galatians 4:8 - 5:12.

How does this passage relate to the gospel? (The truth of who Christ is, how he saves us and continually grows us through his life, death, and resurrection)

Application:

Are there commands in the text (imperatives)? Look for truth about how we obey/rest in what Christ has done for us (indicatives).

What changes need to take place in my life? Do I need to change what I believe? Do I need to make an adjustment in my relationships with others or with God? Personalize the passage for your life.

What facets of God's character do you need to deepen in light of this month's passage?

Pray through the application you've identified. Write down your prayer as a permanent record of your desire to apply what you've learned.