

09 January 2022

Let Christ Be Formed in You!

Galatians (part 9) 4:8-20



God's goal in our life – to reshape us to His image:

1. What Was Paul CONCERNED About?

(vs 4:8-11)

*The danger of PRIDE (John 5:44)

2. The GOAL (vs 4:12, 19)

a. Become LIKE ME (1 Corinthians 11:1)

b. For I became LIKE YOU (1 Corinthians 9:20-22)

c. You have not INJURED ME at all

3. The JOY of the Gospel

d. God uses ALL CIRCUMSTANCES (vs 4:13-14)

e. Sometimes we need to RECALL THE BASICS (vs 4:15-16)

f. Be zealous for THE RIGHT THINGS (vs 4:17)

Galatians 4:18 “But it is good to be zealous in a good thing always,
and not only when I am present with you.”

Galatians 4:8-20

But then, indeed, when you did not know God, you served those which by nature are not gods. ⁹But now after you have known God, or rather are known by God, how is it that you turn again to the weak and beggarly elements, to which you desire again to be in bondage? ¹⁰You observe days and months and seasons and years.

¹¹I am afraid for you, lest I have labored for you in vain.

¹²Brethren, I urge you to become like me, for I became like you. You have not injured me at all. ¹³You know that because of physical infirmity I preached the gospel to you at the first. ¹⁴And my trial which was in my flesh you did not despise or reject, but you received me as an angel of God, even as Christ Jesus. ¹⁵What then was the blessing you enjoyed? For I bear you witness that, if possible, you would have plucked out your own eyes and given them to me. ¹⁶Have I therefore become your enemy because I tell you the truth?

¹⁷They zealously court you, but for no good; yes, they want to exclude you, that you may be zealous for them. ¹⁸But it is good to be zealous in a good thing always, and not only when I am present with you. ¹⁹My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you, ²⁰I would like to be present with you now and to change my tone; for I have doubts about you.