

Galatians 3:15-4:7

History 101

^{3:15} Dear brothers and sisters, here's an example from everyday life. Just as no one can set aside or amend an **irrevocable agreement**, so it is in this case. ¹⁶ God gave the **promises** to Abraham and his child. And notice that the Scripture doesn't say "to his children," as if it meant many descendants. Rather, it says "to his child"—and that, of course, means Christ. ¹⁷ This is what I am trying to say: **The agreement God made** with Abraham could not be canceled 430 years later when God gave the law to Moses. God would be breaking his promise. ¹⁸ For if the inheritance could be received by keeping the law, then it would not be the result of accepting God's **promise**. But God graciously gave it to Abraham as a **promise**.

¹⁹ Why, then, was the law given? It was given alongside the **promise** to show people their sins. But the law was designed to last only until the coming of the child who was **promised**. God gave his law through angels to Moses, who was the mediator between God and the people. ²⁰ Now a mediator is helpful if more than one party must reach an agreement. **But God, who is one, did not use a mediator when he gave his **promise** to Abraham.**

²¹ Is there a conflict, then, between God's law and God's **promises**? Absolutely not! If the law could give us new life, we could be made right with God by obeying it. ²² But the Scriptures declare that we are all prisoners of sin, so we receive God's **promise** of freedom only by believing in Jesus Christ.

²³ Before the way of **faith** in Christ was available to us, we were placed under

guard by the law. We were kept in protective custody, so to speak, until the way of **faith** was revealed.

²⁴ Let me put it another way. The law was our guardian until Christ came; it protected us until we could be made right with God through **faith**. ²⁵ And now that the way of **faith** has come, we no longer need the law as our guardian.

²⁶ For you are all children of God through **faith** in Christ Jesus. ²⁷ And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on Christ, like putting on new clothes. ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and God's **promise** to Abraham belongs to you.

^{4:1} Think of it this way. If a father dies and leaves an inheritance for his young children, those children are not much better off than slaves until they grow up, even though they actually own everything their father had. ² They have to obey their guardians until they reach whatever age their father set. ³ And that's the way it was with us before Christ came. We were like children; we were slaves to the basic spiritual principles of this world.

⁴ **But when the right time came**, God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law. ⁵ God sent him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that he could adopt us as his very own children. ⁶ And because we are his children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, prompting us to call out, "Abba, Father." ⁷ Now you are no longer a slave but God's own child. And since you are his child, God has made you his heir.

	0	The beginning	Gen 3:15 The promise of a seed to crush the snake, a redeemer.
1		Around 3100 BCE	Rise and dominance of Egypt.
	2	Around 1850 BCE	Gen 15:5 and 6 and 22:18 Righteousness by faith, for all nations, all peoples
3		1520 BCE	Egypt at the zenith of its power, after it becomes intermittently weaker.
	4	1450 BCE	The exodus from Egypt and the introduction of the Mosaic Law.
	5	1410 BCE	The prophecy of a redeemer, Deut. 18:18, the death of Moses and Joshua enters the promised land.
6		2000 to 800 BCE	The Canaanites developed a simple pictorial trade language, improved by the Phoenicians as an alphabet, modified by the Greeks by adding vowels.
	7	1010 BCE	David became king of a united Israel made up of 12 tribes. 2 Samuel 5. He wrote Psalms prophesying the coming of a redeemer, suffering but also high Priest, king, Judge and Lord in PS. 2, 22 and 110.
	8	970 to 930 BCE	Solomon becomes king. 1 Kings 2:28->. He builds the first temple and becomes rich and powerful. I Kings 4:20->. Writes the wisdom books, Ecclesiastics, Song of Solomon, and many of the Proverbs.
	9	930 BCE	The united kingdom splits to Northern Kingdom of Israel, 10 tribes, and the Southern Kingdom of Judah, 1 Kings 11:9 to 13 and 12:->.
	10	740 to 700 BCE	Isaiah prophesizes the coming suffering servant who will redeem both Jews and the Nations. Isa 42:1 to &, 49:1 to 9, 50:4 to 9 and 52:13->53:12.
11		722 BCE	The Northern Kingdom falls to the Assyrians. 2 Kings 17:6
	12	625 to 585 BCE	Jeremiah prophesizes the coming redeemer. Jer. 30->, 31->, and 33->.
13		605 BCE	The Southern Kingdom falls to Babylon. 2 Kings 24:1->
	14	605 to 539 BCE	Daniel the prophet is sent to Babylon as an advisor to the king. He prophesizes the rise of 4 future empires, the timing of the death of the redeemer, 70 weeks of years (69 weeks until the redeemer dies). 9:24->, Numbers 14:34 and the ultimate victory of the redeemer. Dan 7->
15		539 BCE->	Babylon Falls to the Persians under Cyrus.
	16	538 BCE	The decree of Cyrus to allow the Jewish captives to rebuild the temple. Ezra 1:1 to 4. The temple is completed in 515 BCE
	17	485 BCE	Ezra goes to Jerusalem to teach the people there the Law of the Lord. Ezra 7:1 to 28
	18	445 BCE	Nehemiah was allowed to go to Jerusalem to rebuild the walls. Neh.2:1 to 5. This was the start date for the 69 weeks of Dniel. Dan 9:25.
19		400 BCE->	Rome starts building their empire. Language base like Greek. Bult road systems, education
20		332 BCE	Alexander the Great conquered the Persian empire and beyond. The empire was divided between his 4 generals. Hellenized, Greek language and culture.
21		63 BCE	Romans conquered Jerusalem. Built roads and infrastructure.
22		27 BCE	Pax Romana
	23	26 CE	Started in 20 BCE, Harod the Great started the new Temple in 20 BCE
	24	30 CE	The Ministry and Death of Jesus Christ. Matt., Mark, Luke, and John. Dan. 9:26(a)
	25	70 CE	The city of Jerusalem and, more specifically, the temple, was destroyed by the Romans. Dan. 9:26(b) Matt. 24:1 and 2.