

Sons of God - Galatians 3:26-4:7

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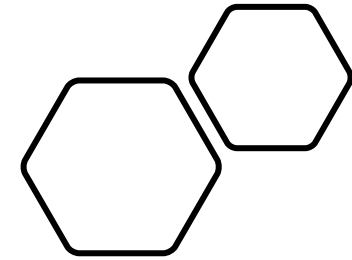
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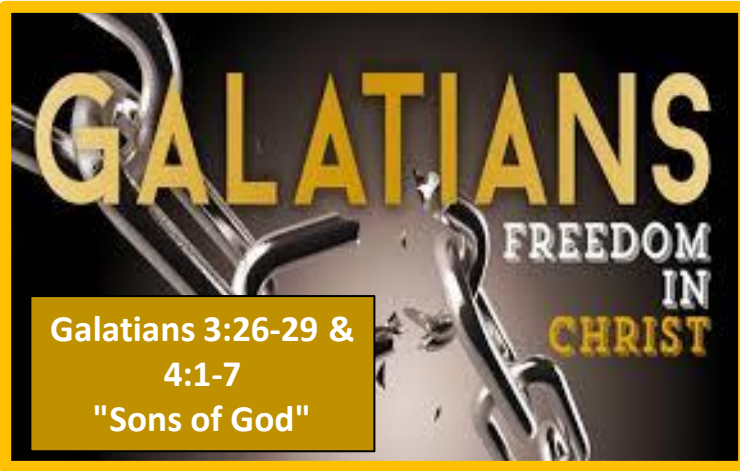
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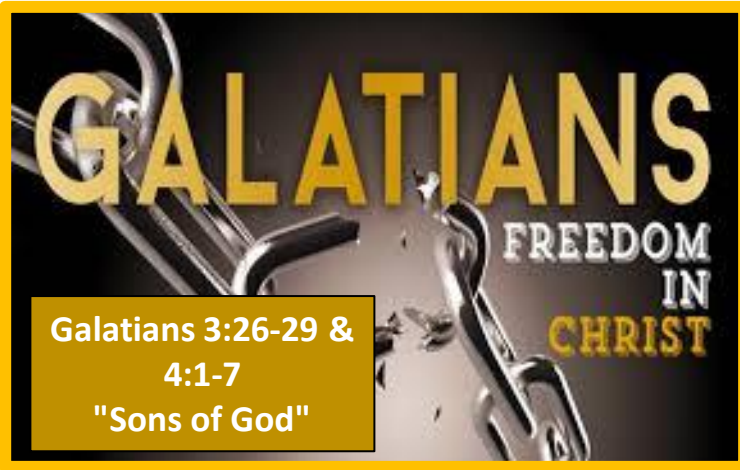


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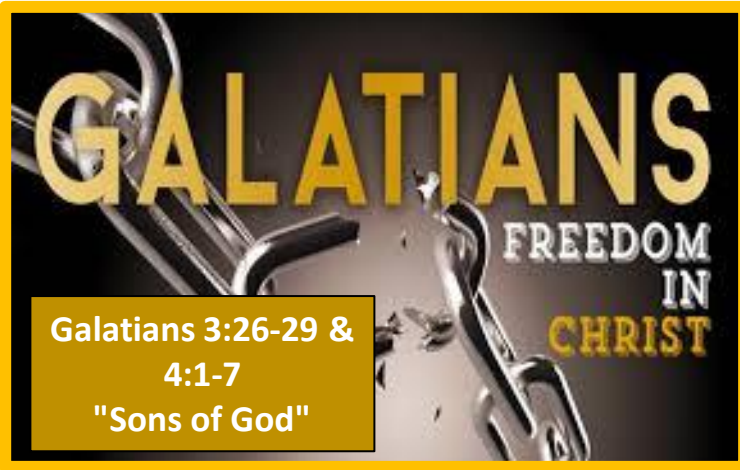
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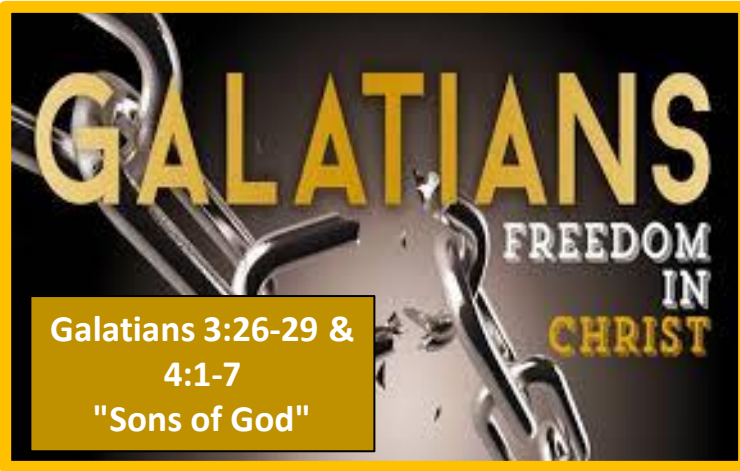
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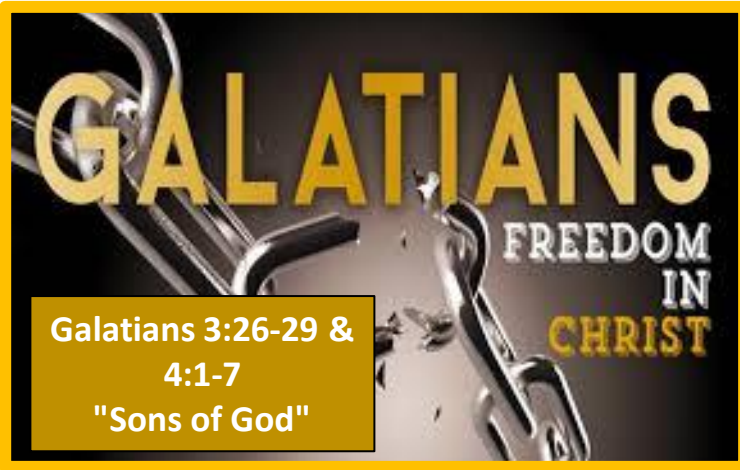
While maintaining that the law was useful, Paul pointed out what a severe taskmaster it could be for those who failed to learn about grace received through faith. At this point in the letter, he shifted from a legal to a familial point of view. Once we have gained a right relationship with God, our dealings with people will be entirely different.



**Read: Galatians 3:26-29
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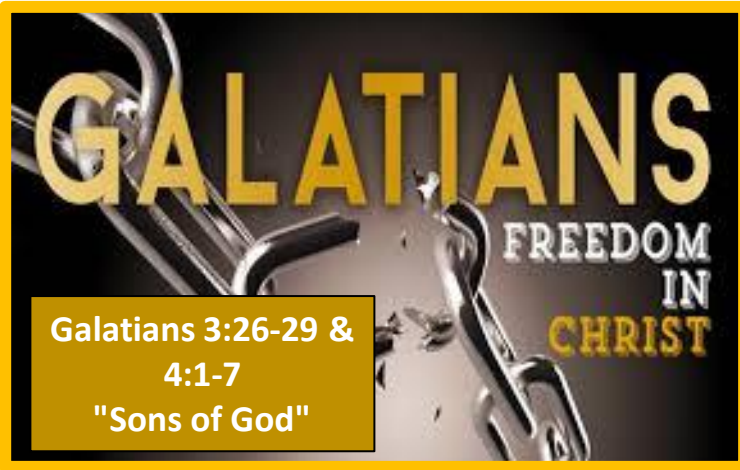


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For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus.
(3:26 NLT)

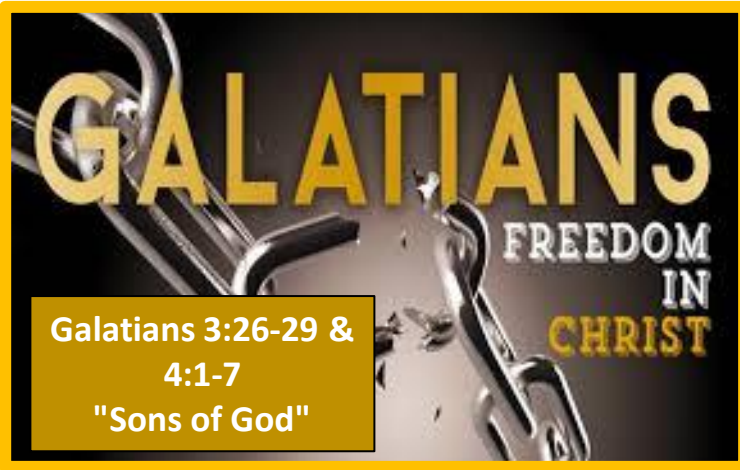
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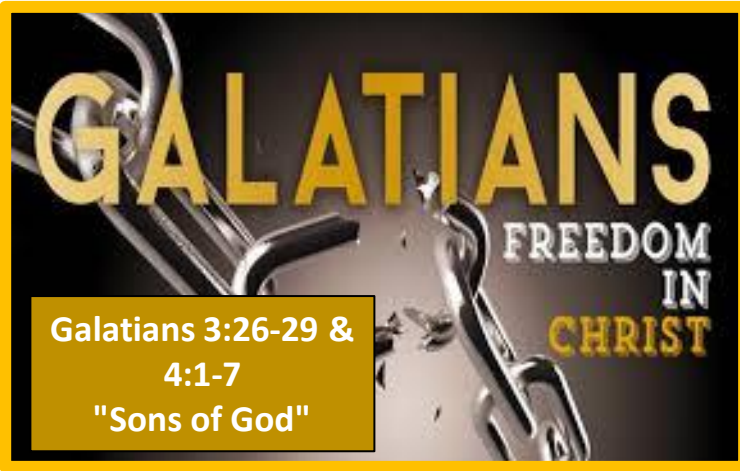


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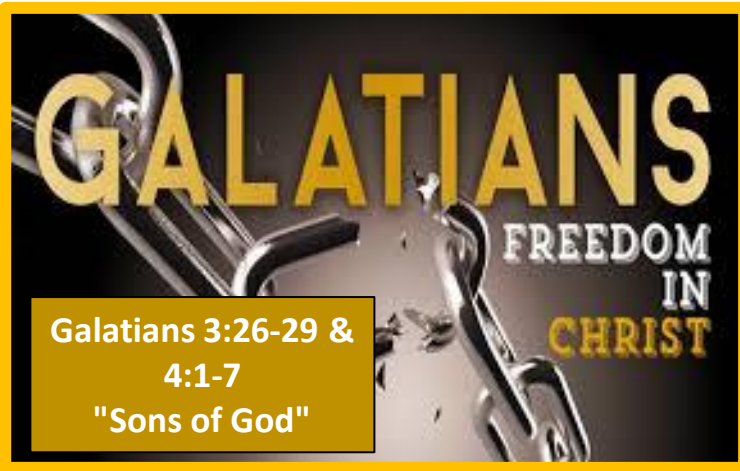
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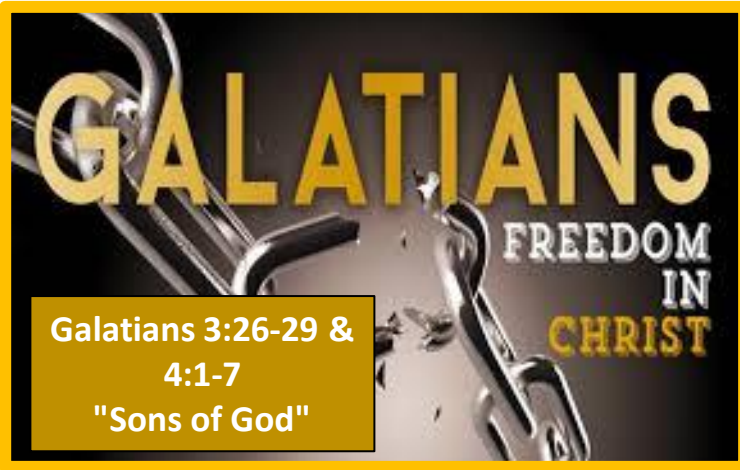
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And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and God's promise to Abraham belongs to you.

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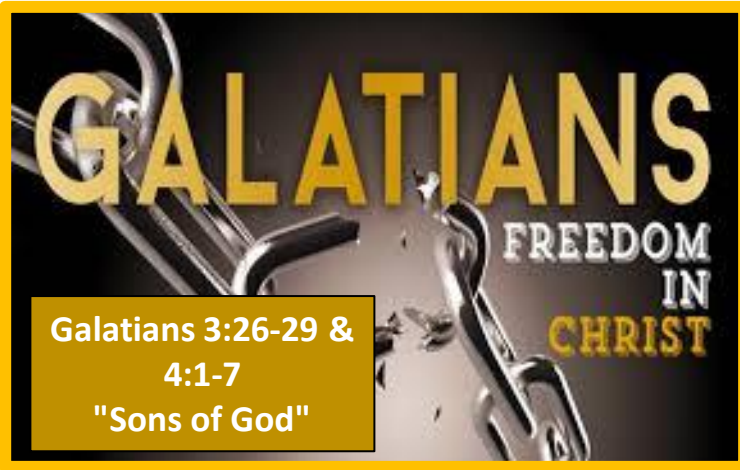


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¹Think of it this way. If a father dies and leaves an inheritance for his young children, those children are not much better off than slaves until they grow up, even though they actually own everything their father had.

²They have to obey their guardians until they reach whatever age their father set. (**4:1-2 NLT**)



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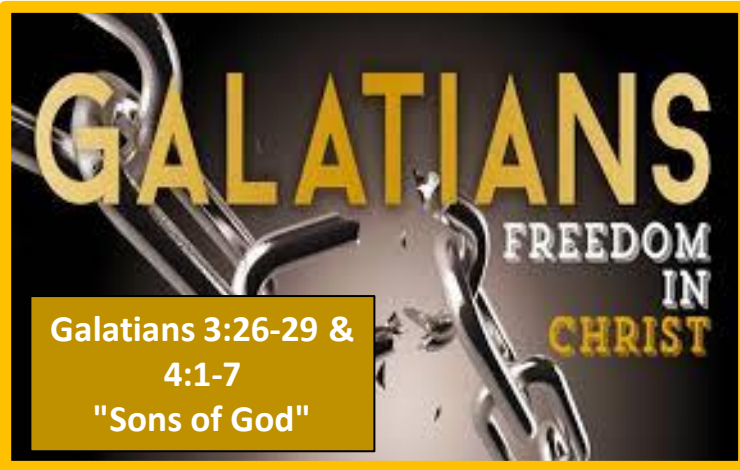
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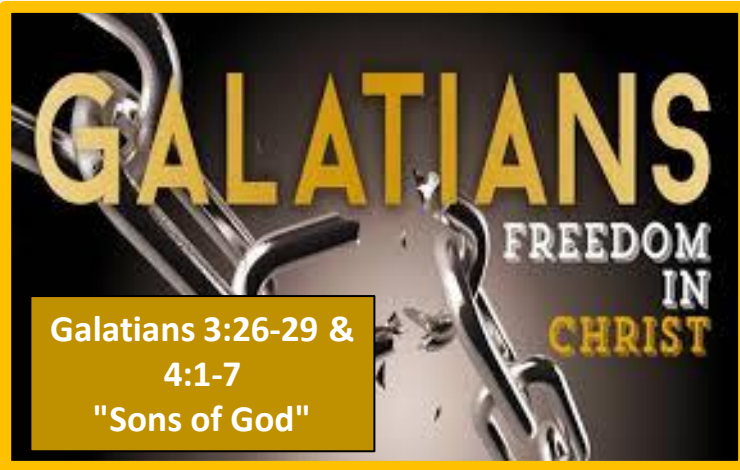
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And that's the way it was with us before Christ came. We were like children; we were slaves to the basic spiritual principles of this world. (**4:3 NLT**)



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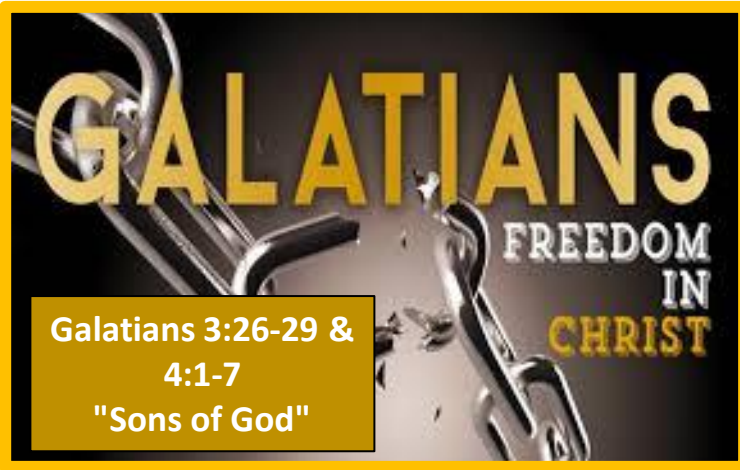
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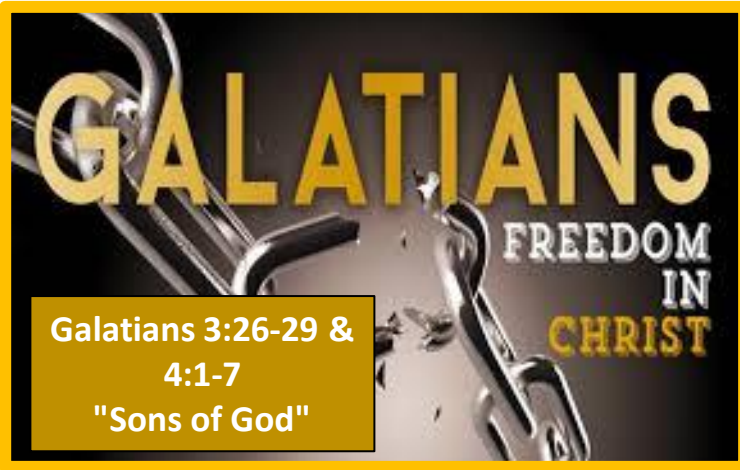
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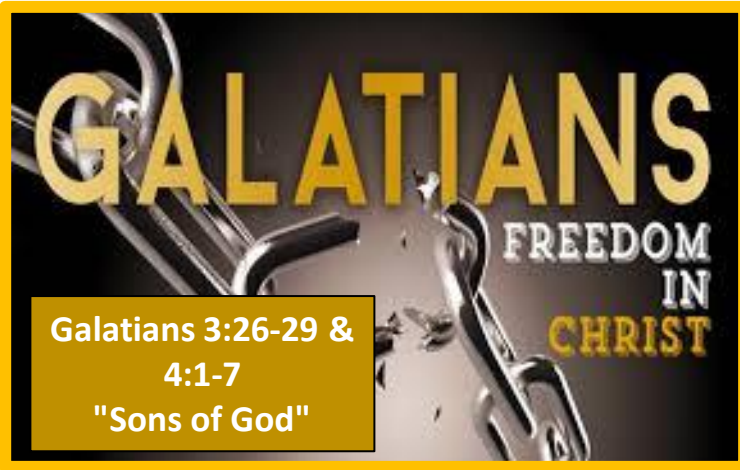
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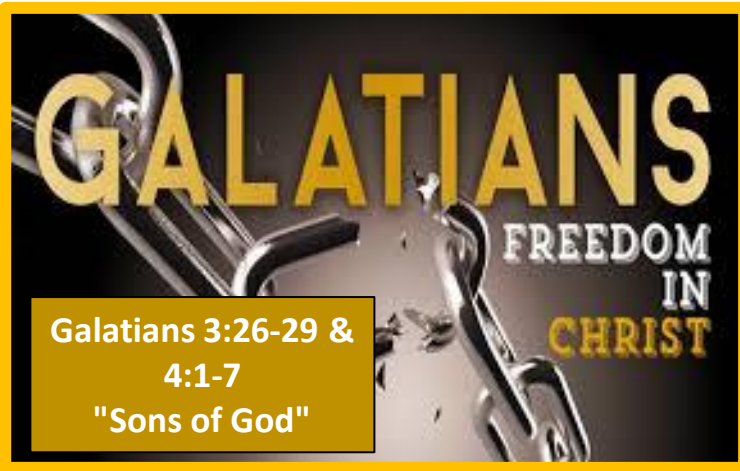
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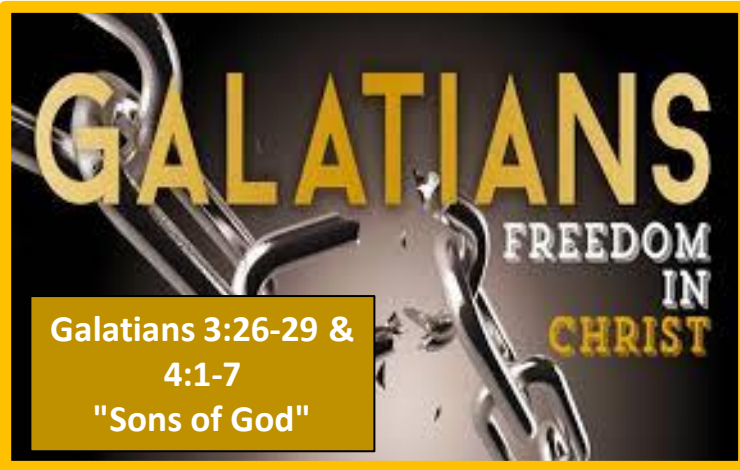
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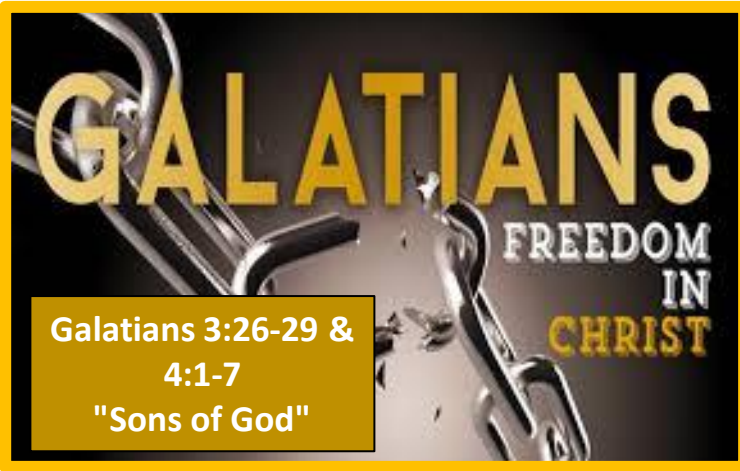
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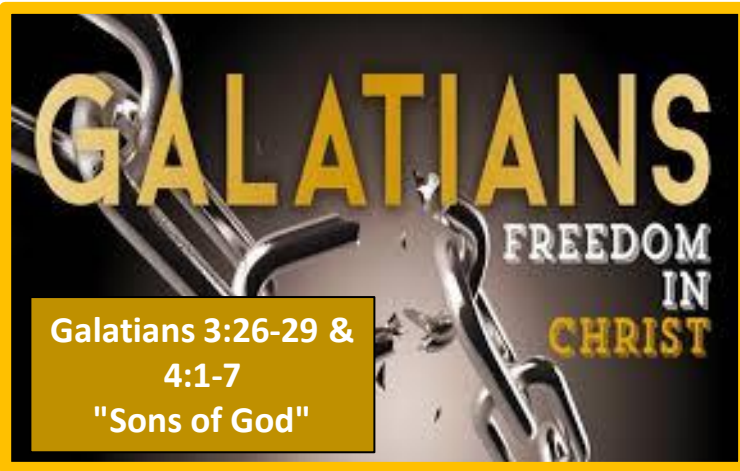


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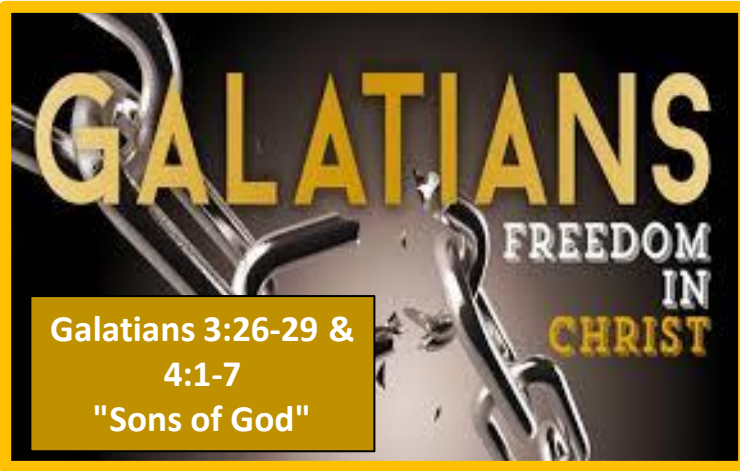
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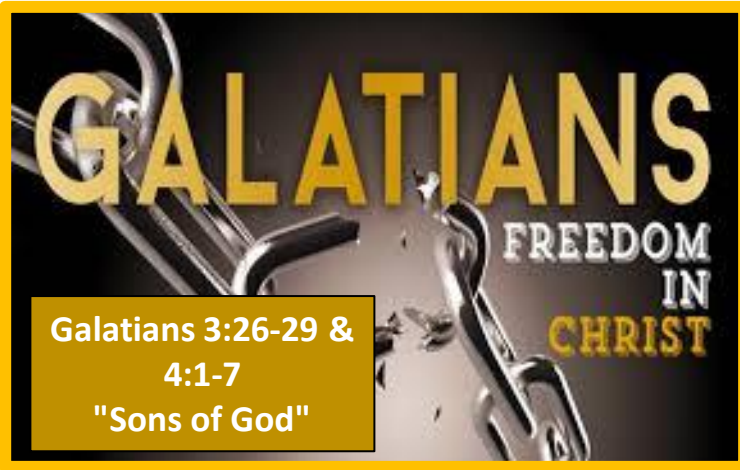
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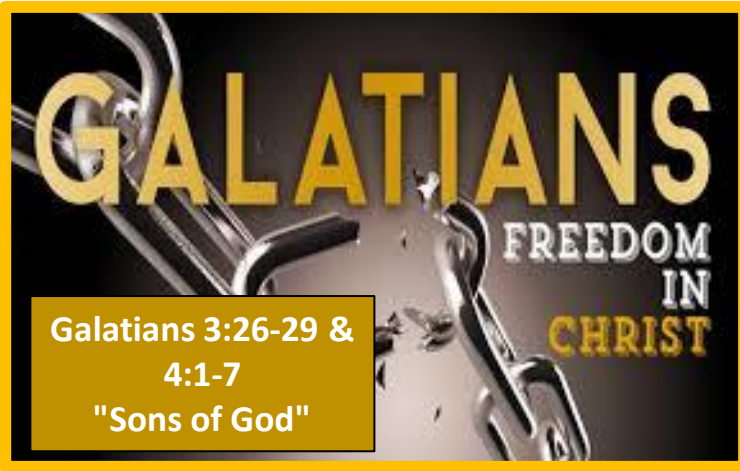
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