

Galatians choral reading

CHARACTERS: Paul (22), Silas (21), Timothy (3), ALL

SETTING: bare stage

RUN TIME: about 3 minutes/page

SCRIPTURE/BASED ON: Acts 15: 40-41, 16: 3-6; Galatians 1-6

Introduction (Chapter 1)

TIMOTHY: Paul chose Silas (*pats SILAS shoulder*) and departed, after being commended to the grace of the Lord by the brothers.

SILAS: We traveled through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.

PAUL: The, brothers at Lystra and Iconium spoke highly of Timothy (*pats TIMOTHY's shoulder*) so we took him with us as well.

SILAS: So the churches were strengthened in the faith and increased in number daily.

TIMOTHY: We went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia

PAUL: I, Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ, write this letter to the churches of Galatia

SILAS: Grace to you and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

TIMOTHY: He gave Himself for our sins to rescue us from this present evil age,

PAUL: according to the will of our God and Father.

ALL: To whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Chapters 2-4

PAUL: We know that no one is justified by the works of the law

ALL: but by faith in Jesus Christ.

SILAS: And we have believed in Christ Jesus so that we might be justified by faith in Christ

ALL: and not by the works of the law,

SILAS: because by the works of the law no human being will be justified.

PAUL: I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live,

ALL: but Christ lives in me.

PAUL: The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God,

ALL: who loved me and gave Himself for me.

SILAS: Just as Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him for righteousness,

ALL: understand that those who have faith are Abraham's sons.

PAUL: The righteous will live by faith.

SILAS: Before this faith came, we were confined under the law,

ALL: imprisoned until the coming faith was revealed.

PAUL: The law was our guardian until Christ,

ALL: so that we could be justified by faith.

SILAS: But since that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian,

ALL: for you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

PAUL: For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ like a garment.

ALL: There is no Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

PAUL: God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under the law,

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ALL: to redeem those under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

SILAS: And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying,

ALL: Abba, Father!

SILAS: So you are no longer a slave but a son,

ALL: and if a son, then an heir through God.

PAUL: Now it is always good to be enthusiastic about good

Chapter 5

PAUL: Christ has liberated us to be free.

SILAS: For you were called to be free, brothers;

ALL: only don't use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but serve one another through love.

PAUL: For the entire law is fulfilled in one statement:

ALL: Love your neighbor as yourself.

SILAS: But if you bite and devour one another, watch out,

ALL: or you will be consumed by one another.

PAUL: The works of the flesh are obvious:

ALL: sexual immorality, moral impurity, promiscuity,

SILAS: idolatry, sorcery, hatreds,

ALL: strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger,

PAUL: selfish ambitions, dissensions, factions,

SILAS: envy, drunkenness, carousing, and anything similar.

ALL: Those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

PAUL: But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,

ALL: patience, kindness, goodness,

SILAS: faith, gentleness, self-control.

ALL: Against such things there is no law.

PAUL: Since we live by the Spirit, we must also follow the Spirit.

ALL: We must not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

Chapter 6

PAUL: Brothers, if someone is caught in any wrongdoing,

ALL: you who are spiritual should restore such a person with a gentle spirit,

PAUL: watching out for yourselves so you also won't be tempted.

SILAS: Carry one another's burdens;

ALL: in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

SILAS: For if anyone considers himself to be something when he is nothing,

ALL: he deceives himself.

PAUL: Don't be deceived: God is not mocked.

ALL: For whatever a man sows he will also reap,

SILAS: The one who sows to his flesh will reap corruption

ALL: but the one who sows to the Spirit will reap eternal life

PAUL: So we must not get tired of doing good,

ALL: for we will reap at the proper time if we don't give up.

SILAS: Therefore, as we have opportunity, we must work for the good of all,

ALL: especially for those who belong to the household of faith.

PAUL: May peace come to all those who follow this standard

ALL: Brothers, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

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