

Abraham Casting Out Hagar and Ishmael

## Blessed With Abraham Galatians 3:1-14(NIV)

## Faith or Works of the Law

- 1 You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? Before your very eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed as crucified.
- 2 I would like to learn just one thing from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by believing what you heard?
- 3 Are you so foolish? After beginning by means of the Spirit, are you now trying to finish by means of the flesh?

- 4 Have you experienced so much in vain—if it really was in vain?
- 5 So again I ask, does God give you his Spirit and work miracles among you by the works of the law, or by your believing what you heard?
- 6 So also Abraham "believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness."
- 7 Understand, then, that those who have faith are children of Abraham.
- 8 Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: "All nations will be blessed through you."
- 9 So those who rely on faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.
- 10 For all who rely on the works of the law are under a curse, as it is written: "Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law."
- 11 Clearly no one who relies on the law is justified before God, because "the righteous will live by faith."
- 12 The law is not based on faith; on the contrary, it says, "The person who does these things will live by them."
- 13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole."
- 14 He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through

Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.