

Book 9: The Letter of Shaul {Paul} to the Galatian Believers

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Chapter 1

SHA'UL¹, an emissary, (not of men, neither by man, but by Yahooshua the Anointed of Yah, and Yah the Father, who raised him from the dead;)

2 And all the brethren which are with me, to the assemblies of Galatia:

3 Chen *be* to you and peace from Yah the Father, and *from* our Adonay Yahooshua the Anointed of Yah,

4 Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of our Mighty One and Father:

5 To whom *be* Kavod for ever and ever. Aměn.

6 I marvel that you are so soon removed from him that called you into the Chen of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah to another Good News:

7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the Good News of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah.

8 But though we, or a messenger from Heaven, preach any other Good News to you than that which we have preached to you, let him be accursed.

9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any *man* preach any other Good News to you than that you have received, let him be accursed.

10 For do I now persuade men, or Yah? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah.

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11 But I make known to you, brethren, that the Good News which was preached by me is not after man.
12 For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught *it*, but by the revelation of Yahooshua the Anointed One of Yah.
13 For you have heard of my conversation in time past in the Yahoodi'iy' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the assembly of Yah, and ravaged it:
14 And profited in the Yahoodi'iy' religion above many of my equals in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers.
15 But when it pleased Yah, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called *me* by his Chen,
16 To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood:
17 Neither went I up to Yerushalayim to them which were Emissaries before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again to Dammeseq².
18 Then after three years I went up to Yerushalayim to see Kepha, and abode with him fifteen days.
19 But other of the Emissaries saw I none, save Ya`aqob Adonay's brother.
20 Now the things which I write to you, behold, before Yah, I lie not.
21 Afterwards I came into the regions of Suria and Kilikia;
22 And was unknown by face to the assemblies of Yahoovah which were in the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah:
23 But they had heard only, That he which persecuted us in times past now preaches the Emunah which once he destroyed.
24 And they Kavod Yah in me.

Chapter 2

THEN fourteen years after I went up again to Yerushalayim with Barnabas, and took Titus with *me* also.
2 And I went up by revelation, and communicated to them that Good News which I preach among the Ha-goyim, but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain³.
3 But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised:
4 And that because of false brethren brought in sneakily, who sneaked in to spy out our liberty which we have in The Anointing of the Spirit of Yah that was upon

² This is not made visible in Acts, the reality that Shaul went to Arabia, apparently into the wilderness, and then waited a further three years before travelling to Yerushalayim – this gives a very different context to Shaul's ministry and testimony that he was deeply led by Yah.

³ Notice that Shaul is cautious with regard to ensuring that his message, given directly by Yah, is accurate.

Yahooshua, that they might bring us into bondage:

5 To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the Good News might continue with you.

6 But of these who seemed to be somewhat, (whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter to me: Yah shows no partiality:) for they who seemed *to be esteemed* added nothing to me:

7 But contrariwise, when they saw that the Good News of the uncircumcision was committed to me, as *the Good News* of the circumcision *was* to Kepha;

8 (For he that wrought effectually in Kepha to the Emissarieship of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Ha-goyim:)

9 And when Ya`aqob, Kěpha, and Yahooochanan, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the Chen that was given to me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we *should go* to the heathen, and they to the circumcision.

10 Only *they would* that we should remember the poor; the same which I also was eager to do.

11 But when Kepha was come to Antioch, I withstood him to his face, because he was to be blamed.

12 For before that certain came from Ya`aqob, he did eat with the Ha-goyim: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.

13 And the other Yahoodi'iy dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their hypocrisy.

14 But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the Good News, I said to Kepha before *them* all, If thou, being a Yahoodi'iy, lives after the manner of Ha-goyim, and not as do the Yahoodi'iy, why do you compel the Ha-goyim to live as do the Yahoodi'iy?

15 We *who are* Yahoodi'iy by nature, and not sinners of the Ha-goyim,

16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Torah, but by the Emunah of Yahooshua the Anointed One of Yah, even we have believed in Yahooshua the Anointed One of Yah, that we might be justified by the Emunah of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah, and not by the works of the Torah: for by the works of the Torah shall no flesh be justified.

17 But if, while we seek to be justified by the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah, we ourselves also are found sinners, *is* therefore the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah the minister of sin? Yah forbid.

18 For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.

19 For I through the Commandments am dead to the Torah, that I might live to Yah.

20 I am executed with the Anointed One of Yah: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but

the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah lives in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the Emunah of the Son of Yah, who Cheseded me, and gave himself for me⁴.

21 I do not frustrate the Chen of Yah: for if righteousness *come* by the Torah, then the Anointed One of Yah is dead in vain.

Chapter 3

O FOOLISH Galatians, who has bewitched you, that you should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Yahooshua the Anointed One of Yah has been evidently set forth, executed among you?

2 This only would I learn of you, Received you the Spirit by the works of the Torah, or by the hearing of Emunah?

3 Are you so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are you now made perfect by the flesh?

4 Have you suffered so many things in vain? if *it be* yet in vain.

5 He therefore that ministers to you the Spirit, and works miracles among you, *does he do it* by the works of the Torah, or by the hearing of Emunah?

6 Even as Abraham believed Yah, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.

7 Know you therefore that they which are of Emunah, the same are the children of Abraham.

8 And the writings, foreseeing that Yah would justify the heathen through Emunah, preached before the Good News to Abraham, *saying*, In you all nations shall be blessed.

9 So then they which be of Emunah are blessed with Emunahful Abraham.

10 For as many as are of the works of the Torah are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed *is* every one that does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the Torah to do them.

11 But that no man is justified by the Torah in the sight of Yah, *it is* evident: for, The just shall live by Emunah⁵.

12 And the Torah is not of Emunah: but, The man that doeth them shall live in them.

13 the Anointed One of Yah has redeemed us from the curse of the Torah, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed *is* every one that hangs on a tree:

14 That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Ha-goyim through

⁴ This is an extremely important verse, see what Rick Joyner reports in The Final Quest about Galatians 2:20 – a true Believer dies to self and lives to Yah by the Spirit of Yah – at this level of belief one moves away from carnal things – this is a challenging state to reach but is what we are called to.

⁵ Believers are NOT justified by books of rules, whether The Torah or any other set of rules, they are justified by being deeply filled with, and led by, the Spirit of Yah.

Yahooshua the Anointed One of Yah; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through Emunah.

15 Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though *it be* but a man's covenant, yet *if it be* confirmed, no man sets it aside, or adds to it.

16 Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He does not say, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is the Anointed One of Yah.

17 And this I say, *that* the covenant, that was confirmed before of Yah in the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah, the Torah, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.

18 For if the inheritance *be* of the Torah, *it is* no more of promise: but Yah gave *it* to Abraham by promise.

19 Wherefore then *serveth* the Torah? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; *and it was* ordained by Messengers in the hand of a mediator.

20 Now a mediator is not *a mediator* of one, but Yah is one.

21 Are the Commandments then against the promises of Yah? Yah forbid: for if there had been a Torah given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the Torah.

22 But the writing has concluded all under sin, that the promise by Emunah of Yahooshua the Anointed One of Yah might be given to them that believe.

23 But before Emunah came, we were kept under the Torah, shut up to the Emunah which should afterwards be revealed.

24 Wherefore the Torah was our schoolmaster *to bring us* to the Anointed One of Yah, that we might be justified by Emunah.

25 But after that Emunah is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

26 For you are all the children of Yah by Emunah in The Anointing of the Spirit of Yah that was upon Yahooshua.

27 For as many of you as have been immersed into the Anointed One of Yah have put on the Anointed One of Yah.

28 There is neither Yahoodi'iy nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female⁶: for you are all one in The Anointing of the Spirit of Yah that was upon Yahooshua.

29 And if you *be* the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah's, then are you Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

⁶ Important to realize that Yah does NOT differentiate between men and women in service to Him and relationship with Him!

Chapter 4

NOW I say, *That* the heir, as long as he is a child, differs nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all;

2 But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.

3 Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:

4 But when the fulness of the time was come, Yah sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the Torah,

5 To redeem them that were under the Torah, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

6 And because you are sons, Yah has sent forth the Spirit that was in his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba⁷, Father.

7 Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of Yah through the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah.

8 But then, when you did not know Yah, you did service to them which by nature are not mighty ones.

9 But now, after that you have known Yah, or rather are known of Yah, how turn you again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto you desire again to be in bondage?

10 You observe days, and months, and times, and years⁸.

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

12 Brethren, I beseech you, be as I *am*; for I *am* as you *are*: you have not injured me at all.

13 You know how through infirmity of the flesh I preached the Good News to you at the first.

14 And my temptation which was in my flesh you despised not, nor rejected; but received me as a messenger of Yah, *even* as The Anointing of the Spirit of Yah that was upon Yahooshua.

15 Where is then the blessedness you spoke of? for I bear you record, that, if *it had been* possible, you would have plucked out your own eyes, and have given them to me.

16 Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?

17 They are ardent towards you, *but* not for good; but, they would shut you out, that you might be ardent toward them.

18 But *it is* good to be ardent always in what is good, and not only when I am present with you.

19 My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until the Anointing of the

⁷ Abba = Daddy.

⁸ True Believers should NOT observe Christmas, Easter and the other pagan days in the calendar!

Spirit of Yah is formed in you,
20 I desire to be present with you now, and to change my voice; for I stand in doubt of you.
21 Tell me, you that desire to be under the Torah, do you not hear the Torah?
22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman.
23 But he *who was* of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman *was* by promise.
24 Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which brings forth slavery, which is Haḡar.
25 For this Haḡar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Yerushalayim which now is, and is in slavery with her children.
26 But Yerushalayim which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.
27 For it is written, Rejoice, *thou* barren that bear not; break forth and cry, you that do not have birth pains: for the deserted one has many more children than she that has a husband.
28 Now we, brethren, as Yitshaq was, are the children of promise.
29 But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him *that was born* after the Spirit, even so *it is* now.
30 Nevertheless what saith the writings? Cast out the bondwoman and her son: for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman.
31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free.

Chapter 5

STAND fast therefore in the liberty wherewith the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah has made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.
2 Behold, I Sha'ul say to you, that if you are circumcised, the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah shall profit you nothing.
3 For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole Torah.
4 the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah has become of no effect to you, whosoever of you are justified by the Torah; you are fallen from Chen.
5 For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by Emunah.
6 For in Yahooshua the Anointed of Yah neither circumcision avails anything, nor uncircumcision; but Emunah which works by Chesed.
7 Ye did run well; who did hinder you that you should not obey the truth?
8 This persuasion *comes* not of him that calls you.
9 A little leaven leavens the whole lump.

10 I have confidence in you through Yah the Eternally Self-Existing, that you will be no otherwise minded: but he that troubles you shall bear his judgment, whosoever he is.

11 And I, brethren, if I still preach circumcision, why do I still suffer persecution? then is the stumbling-block of the Stake set-aside.

12 I would they were even cut off which trouble you.

13 For, brethren, you have been called to liberty; only *use* not liberty⁹ for an occasion to the flesh, but by Chesed serve one another.

14 For all the Commandments are fulfilled in one word, *even* in this; Thou shalt Chesed thy neighbour as thyself.

15 But if you bite and devour one another, take heed that you are not consumed one of another.

16 *This* I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that you cannot do the things that you would.

18 But if you are led of the Spirit, you are not under the Torah.

19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are *these*; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness¹⁰,

20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, wild parties, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told *you* in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of Yah.

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is Chesed, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, Emunah,

23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no Commandment.

24 And they that are the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah's have executed the flesh with the affections and lusts.

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit¹¹.

26 Let us not be desirous of vain Kavod, provoking one another, envying one another.

Chapter 6

⁹ Important to notice that this liberty relates to liberty from the Torah, the Pentateuch, the five books attributed incorrectly to Moshe – all the 613 laws and all that goes with it that Yahooshua taught against – see commentary in the Introduction.

¹⁰ Notice that this relates to breaking the Ten Commandments.

¹¹ Important goal to work towards – led by the Spirit of Yah.

BRETHREN, if a man is overtaken in some trespass, you which are spiritual, restore such a one in the spirit of meekness; considering yourself, lest you are also tempted.

2 Bear you one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of the Anointing of the Spirit of Yah.

3 For if a man thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself.

4 But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.

5 For every man shall bear his own burden.

6 Let him that is taught in the Commandments communicate to him that teaches in all good things.

7 Be not deceived; Yah is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap¹².

8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not¹³.

10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to them who are of the household of Emunah¹⁴.

11 Ye see how large a letter I have written to you with mine own hand.

12 As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the Stake of the Anointed One of Yah.

13 For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the Torah; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may Kavod in your flesh.

14 But Yah forbid that I should Kavod, save in the Stake of our Adonay Yahooshua the Anointed of Yah, by whom the world is executed to me, and I to the world.

15 For in The Anointing of the Spirit of Yah that was upon Yahooshua neither circumcision avails anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.

16 And as many as walk according to this rule, peace *be* on them, and Chen, and upon the Yisra'El of Yah.

17 From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of Adonay Yahooshua.

18 Brethren, the Chen of our Adonay Yahooshua the Anointed One of Yah *be* with your spirit. Aměn¹⁵.

¹² Really important principle – what you sow you shall reap.

¹³ The rewards of serving Yah are in the life to come!

¹⁴ So do good NOT ONLY to Believers but ALSO to unbelievers.

¹⁵ Footnote in the KJV -- Unto the Galatians written from Rome.