

Galatians 3:19—4:9

	Before . . .	...until ____ came...	. . . After
3:19	Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions,	until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made	
3:22	But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin,		so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.
3:23		Now before faith came,	
3:24	we were held captive under the law, imprisoned	until the coming faith would be revealed.	
	So then, the law was our guardian	until Christ came,	in order that we might be justified by faith.
3:25		But now that faith has come,	we are no longer under a guardian.
3:26			for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith.
3:29			And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.
4:1	I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything		
4:2	but he is under guardians and managers	until the date set by his father.	
4:3	In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world.		
4:4		But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law,	
4:5			to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.
4:6			And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"
4:7			So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.
4:8	Formerly, when you did not know God, you were enslaved to those that by nature are not gods.		
4:9	to the weak and worthless elementary principles of the world, whose slaves you want to be once more?	how can you turn back again	But now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God,