The Gospel: Freedom Proved

It is one thing to say that we are free in Christ and it's another thing to be able to prove it. What is this - a courtroom? Yes. What better place to discuss the law to which all of humanity is held accountable than a courtroom? In this courtroom God is Judge.

Exactly how free are we if we have trusted in Christ as our Savior? There was the courtroom discovery that a dead person cannot be prosecuted. All believers are considered "crucified with Christ" (Galatians 2:20). In other words, it was as if we were on that cross 2,000 years ago. Jesus died in our place. When we receive HIS work in our lives, we are beneficiaries of HIS work.

But there's more. The gospel does not end with death. Jesus rose from the dead. We, too, rise with him. We are alive with Christ and "Christ lives in me" (Galatians 2:20). We have been born again. God's perfect justice was served at the cross of Christ. Jesus died to set us free from the guilt of sin. "If the Son sets you free, you are free indeed" (John 8:26). The Word of God gives PROOF that we are free in Christ. In this courtroom the Judge of all the earth will give this good news to all who will bow. We can now walk in the privilege of God's gift of freedom. That's the gospel.

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**Galatians 3:1-9**

 1 PROOF FROM CHRIST

 2-5 PROOF FROM THE HOLY SPIIRIT

 6-9 PROOF FROM GOD

 Romans 4:1-5; 23-24

 ▪ Inheritance by faith

 ▪ Justification by faith

 ▪ Blessing by faith