Galatians: Handout 9


2. Galatians 4:21-5:1 in General

3. Relational Categories

4. Memesis, Character Foiling

Two Sons

one of the Slave Woman

one of the Free Woman

the [one] of the Slave Woman

according to the flesh

Born

the [one] of the Free Woman

through promise
5. Two Covenants

6. The Two Cities

7. According to the Flesh vs. According to the Promise/Spirit

8. Dramatic Conflict
9. Identification in the Fullness of the Times

Therefore Brothers (4:31)

not children of the slave woman

but the free

in freedom (5:1)

Christ set us free

not yoke of slavery.

10. Allegory?

11. Preview of Gal. 5:2-6
On the Board:

Suggested Structure of Galatians 4:22-31:

Verse 22 – Abraham had two sons: bond and free
Verse 23 – flesh vs. promise
   24 – Duality
      25-27 – The eschatological cities
     28-29–Duality
Verse 30 – flesh vs. promise
Verse 31 – We are not of bond but of the free

Suggested Structure of Galatians 4:25-26:

A  Hagar
B  Mt. Sinai
C  Slavery
D  The Present Jerusalem
D’   Jerusalem Above
C’  Freedom
B’  (Mt. Zion)
A’  Our Mother

1 This structure has been tentatively suggested to me by James T. Dennison, Jr.
2 This proposal comes from Richard N. Longenecker, Galatians (Dallas: Word, 1990) 213.