

¹O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?²This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?³Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?⁴Have ye suffered so many things in vain? if it be yet in vain.⁵He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth he it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?⁶Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.⁷Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.⁸And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed.⁹So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.¹⁰For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.¹¹But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.¹²And the law is not of faith: but, The man that doeth them shall live in them.¹³Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:¹⁴That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit

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¹أَيُّهَا الْغُلَاطِيُّونَ الْأَعْيَاءُ، مَنْ رَقَاكُمْ حَتَّى لَا تُدْعُوا لِلْحَقِّ أَنْتُمْ الَّذِينَ أَمَامَ عُيُونِكُمْ قَدْ رُسِمَ يَسُوعُ الْمَسِيحُ بَيْنَكُمْ مَصْلُوبًا؟ أَرِيدُ أَنْ أَعْلَمَ مِنْكُمْ هَذَا فَقَطْ: أَبَا أَعْمَالِ التَّامُوسِ أَحَدْتُمْ الرُّوحَ إِمَّا يَخْتَرِ الْإِيمَانُ؟ أَهَكَذَا أَنْتُمْ أَعْيَاءُ؟ أَبَعْدَمَا ابْتَدَأْتُمْ بِالرُّوحِ تُكَمِّلُونَ الْآنَ بِالْجَسَدِ؟ أَهَذَا الْمَقْدَارِ اخْتَمَلْتُمْ عَيْنًا إِنْ كَانَ عَيْنًا؟ فَالَّذِي يَمْتَحِكُمُ الرُّوحَ وَيَعْمَلُ قُوَّاتٍ فِيكُمْ أَبَا أَعْمَالِ التَّامُوسِ أَمْ يَخْتَرِ الْإِيمَانُ؟ كَمَا إِبْرَاهِيمُ "آمَنَ بِاللَّهِ فَحُسِبَ لَهُ بَرًّا"،⁷ اْعْلَمُوا إِذَا أَنَّ الَّذِينَ هُمْ مِنَ الْإِيمَانِ أُولَئِكَ هُمْ بَنُو إِبْرَاهِيمَ. وَالْكِتَابُ إِذْ سَبَقَ قَرَأَى أَنَّ اللَّهَ بِالْإِيمَانِ يُبَرِّرُ الْأُمَّمَ سَبَقَ قَبَسَّرَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ: "أَنْ فِيكَ تَبَارَكَ جَمِيعُ الْأُمَمِ".⁹ إِذَا الَّذِينَ هُمْ مِنَ الْإِيمَانِ يَتَبَارَكُونَ مَعَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ.¹⁰ لِأَنَّ جَمِيعَ الَّذِينَ هُمْ مِنْ أَعْمَالِ التَّامُوسِ هُمْ تَحْتَ لَعْنَةٍ لِأَنَّهُ مَكْتُوبٌ: "مَلْعُونٌ كُلُّ مَنْ لَا يَتَّبِعُ فِي جَمِيعِ مَا هُوَ مَكْتُوبٌ فِي كِتَابِ التَّامُوسِ لِيَعْمَلَ بِهِ".¹¹ وَلَكِنْ أَنْ لَيْسَ أَحَدٌ يَتَّبِرُّ بِالتَّامُوسِ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ فَطَاهِرٌ: "لَأَنَّ الْبَارَّ بِالْإِيمَانِ يَحْيَا".¹² وَلَكِنَّ التَّامُوسَ لَيْسَ مِنَ الْإِيمَانِ بَلِ الْإِنْسَانُ الَّذِي يَفْعَلُهَا سَيَحْيَا بِهَا. الْمَسِيحُ أَفْتَدَانَا مِنْ لَعْنَةِ التَّامُوسِ إِذْ صَارَ لَعْنَةً لِأَجْلِنَا لِأَنَّهُ مَكْتُوبٌ: "مَلْعُونٌ كُلُّ مَنْ عُلِقَ عَلَى خَشَبَةٍ"،¹⁴ لِتَصِيرَ بَرَكَهُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ لِلْأُمَمِ فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ لِنَتَّالَ بِالْإِيمَانِ مَوْعِدَ الرُّوحِ.

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¹⁵أَيُّهَا الْإِخْوَةُ، بِحَسَبِ الْإِنْسَانِ أَقُولُ: لَيْسَ أَحَدٌ يُبْطَلُ عَهْدًا قَدْ تَمَكَّنَ وَلَوْ مِنْ إِنْسَانٍ أَوْ يَزِيدُ عَلَيْهِ.¹⁶ وَأَمَّا الْمَوَاعِيدُ فَقَبِلْتُ فِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَفِي تَسْلِيهِ، لَا يَقُولُ: "وَفِي الْأَسْئَالِ"، كَأَنَّهُ عَنْ كَثِيرِينَ، بَلْ كَأَنَّهُ عَنْ وَاحِدٍ: "وَفِي تَسْلِيكَ"، الَّذِي هُوَ الْمَسِيحُ.¹⁷ وَإِنَّمَا أَقُولُ هَذَا: إِنَّ التَّامُوسَ الَّذِي صَارَ بَعْدَ أَرْبَعِينَ وَثَلَاثِينَ سَنَةً لَا يَنْسِي عَهْدًا قَدْ سَبَقَ فَتَمَكَّنَ مِنَ اللَّهِ تَحْوَ الْمَسِيحِ حَتَّى يُبْطَلُ الْمَوْعِدُ.¹⁸ لِأَنَّهُ إِنْ كَانَتْ الْوِرَاثَةُ مِنَ التَّامُوسِ فَلَمْ تَكُنْ أَبْنًا مِنْ مَوْعِدٍ، وَلَكِنَّ اللَّهَ وَهَبَهَا لِإِبْرَاهِيمَ بِمَوْعِدٍ.¹⁹ فَلِمَاذَا التَّامُوسُ؟ قَدْ زِيدَ بِسَبَبِ التَّعَدِّيَاتِ إِلَى أَنْ يَأْتِيَ النَّسْلُ الَّذِي قَدْ وُعِدَ لَهُ مُرْتَبًا بِمَلَائِكَةٍ فِي يَدٍ وَسِيطٍ،²⁰ وَأَمَّا الْوَسِيطُ فَلَا يَكُونُ لِوَاحِدٍ، وَلَكِنَّ اللَّهَ وَاحِدٌ.²¹ فَهَلِ التَّامُوسُ صِدْقٌ مَوَاعِيدِ اللَّهِ؟ خَاشَا، لِأَنَّهُ لَوْ أُعْطِيَ تَامُوسٌ قَادِرٌ أَنْ يُحْيِيَ لَكَانَ بِالْحَقِيقَةِ الْبِرِّ

through faith.¹⁵ Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.¹⁶ Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.¹⁷ And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, 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 law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise.¹⁹ Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator.²⁰ Now a mediator is not a mediator of one, but God is one.²¹ Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law.²² But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.²³ But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.²⁴ Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.²⁵ But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.²⁶ For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.²⁷ For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.²⁸ There is neither

يَا تَامُوسُ.²² لَكِنَّ الْكِتَابَ أَغْلَقَ عَلَى الْكُلِّ تَحْتَ الْخَطِيئَةِ
لِيُعْطَى الْمَوْعِدُ مِنْ إِيْمَانِ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ لِلَّذِينَ
يُؤْمِنُونَ.²³ وَلَكِنْ قَبْلَمَا جَاءَ الْإِيْمَانُ كُنَّا مَحْرُوسِينَ تَحْتَ
التَّامُوسِ مُغْلَقًا عَلَيْنَا إِلَى الْإِيْمَانِ الَّتِي أَنْ يُغْلَقَ.²⁴ إِذَا
قَدْ كَانَ التَّامُوسُ مُؤَدَّبًا إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ لِكَيْ تَبْتَزَرَ
بِالْإِيْمَانِ.²⁵ وَلَكِنْ بَعْدَ مَا جَاءَ الْإِيْمَانُ لَسْنَا بَعْدَ تَحْتَ
مُؤَدَّبٍ.²⁶ لِأَنَّكُمْ جَمِيعًا أَبْنَاءُ اللَّهِ بِالْإِيْمَانِ بِالْمَسِيحِ
يَسُوعَ،²⁷ لِأَنَّ كُلَّكُمْ الَّذِينَ اعْتَمَدْتُمْ بِالْمَسِيحِ قَدْ لَبَسْتُمْ
الْمَسِيحَ.²⁸ لَيْسَ يَهُودِيٌّ وَلَا يُونَانِيٌّ، لَيْسَ عَبْدٌ وَلَا حُرٌّ،
لَيْسَ ذَكَرٌ وَأُنْثَى، لِأَنَّكُمْ جَمِيعًا وَاحِدٌ فِي الْمَسِيحِ
يَسُوعَ. فَإِنْ كُنْتُمْ لِلْمَسِيحِ فَأَنْتُمْ إِذَا تَسَلُّوا إِبْرَاهِيمَ
وَحَسَبَ الْمَوْعِدِ وَرَثَةً.

Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.²⁹ And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.