Galatians 4 & 5 Discussion Questions

Galatians 4

Comprehension: (In other words, what does it say?)

What are the themes in this chapter?

Interpretation: (In other words, what does it mean?)

List the parallels of a slave and a child:

Why was it important for Paul to reiterate that Jesus was born of a woman, under the law?

Why exactly is Paul so upset that the Galatians are adding in some old, historically/religiously based laws back in? What was the sole purpose of Jesus coming?

Explain verses 21-30, Abraham and the 2 covenants.

Application: (In other words, how do I apply this to my life?)

In what was does being a child of God (an heir) impact your approach to life?

Is it ok to observe special days and seasons today?

Galatians 5

Comprehension: (In other words, what does it say?) What 2 things is Paul focusing on in this chapter?

Interpretation: (In other words, what does it mean?)

Again, why did Jesus come? What is the danger of trying to be justified by the law? What is the only thing that counts?

In what way is your freedom from the law to be exercised (and not exercised)? How does Paul sum up the law?

Compare the attributes of a sinful nature with the fruits of the spirit:

Application: (In other words, how do I apply this to my life?)

There are 2 conflicting forces within, in what ways to you nurture the Spirit?

What are some modern days threats of Christian legalism and what sorts of damage can they do, or can they do damage?