

# Called To Freedom: Galatians

## *Action Plan*

Read the following verses: Galatians 4:21-5:1

### **Examining the Text:**

1. How does Paul link the Law with Hagar and Ishmael in this allegory? (Also read Galatians 4:1-7. What word (noun) is common to both 4:1-7 and the allegory 4:21-31)
2. Read Galatians 3:18-19, 22, & 29. How does the promise in these verses link the son, the offspring (seed), and heir with freedom, Sarah & Isaac?

### **Digging Deeper:**

1. What application does Paul draw from the allegory in Galatians 4? What action was taken in Genesis 21:1-10 (Read Gen. 16 & 17 for more context, if needed)? What action is Paul asking the Galatians to take, and to whom was it aimed?
2. What is the parallel to what was happening in Abraham's family with what was going on in the Galatian churches? (Gal. 4:29)

### **The Heart of the Matter:**

1. In your environment and/or life, what or who is persecuting, mocking, insulting, and frustrating you (Ishmael) from doing what God wants to do in you (Isaac)?
2. What do you need to deal drastically with (Mark 9:43-48; Matt. 5:27-30) in your life to recover the freedom and joy you once enjoyed in Jesus?