

**Sermon Notes**

**Providence Community Church**

4-7-19 Ken Carlton

**Title: POWERFUL & PRICELESS**

**Main Text:** Galatians 4:8-20

**Aim:** MAY THE SHARP WORDS OF CORRECTION TO THE GALATIANS SERVE TO KEEP OUR AFFECTIONS GROUNDED.

**Sermon Description:** Our passage today features the Apostle Paul from two dispositions. First, his consummate command of logical argumentation. Wearing his lawyer hat so to speak. Secondly, we witness his personal and passionate concern for those whom he has poured his life and teaching into. For Paul, ministry was never an abstraction or mere scholarly/ intellectual exercise of superior powers of persuasion. He argued through tears of fatherly love for those he considered his spiritual children comparing his labors of evangelism and discipleship to the pains of childbirth itself (4:19). Furthermore, we glean gospel priority from these verses as well. We sense the devastating consequences of dismissing the primacy of the message of faith in Christ alone, even as we are reminded of the power and value of the means of grace which bear the treasures of transforming truth. May we learn from the wandering affections of the Galatian church not to take our most precious possessions in Christ for granted...

**Heading: ...PAUL'S TWO PART REBUKE OF THE GALATIANS ...**

**1. PRINCIPLED ARGUMENT & APPEAL**

(Gal 4:8-11)

- a. Non-sons are slaves (Rom 6:16)
- d. The nature of the alternative

- b. Self-sovereignty delusion

- c. The nature of faith

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**2. PERSONAL ENTREATY**

(4:12-20)

- a. Pauline full disclosure (Phil 3:2-11)
- d. Strength of the gospel (Rom 1:16-17)

- b. Phrase by phrase exegesis
- e. Application questions & communion

- c. Worth of the gospel

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**FAMILY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:
Principles	Paul's boasting	Personal appeal	True strength	True value	Next week
Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:
Gal 4:8-11	Phil 3:2-11	Gal 4:12-20	Rom 1:16-17	Gal 4:4-6	Psalms 91