# "THE LAW'S FUNCTION BEFORE CHRIST"

## GALATIANS 3:23-24

1. **PRIOR TO THE DISPENSATION OF GRACE, WITH ITS ENACTMENT OF THE GOSPEL MESSAGE ON THE EARTH, MAN WAS KEPT IN CUSTODY (3:23)**
   1. The Identity Of Those Kept In Custody (3:23a)
      1. Jews
      2. Anyone Who Ever Came In Contact With The Law
   2. The Jailor Keeping These In Custody (3:23b)
   3. The Future Experience For Which These Were Kept In Custody (3:23c)
2. **WHILE THE LAW KEPT MEN IN CUSTODY IT SIMULTANEOUSLY FUNCTIONED AS A TUTOR (3:24)**
   1. The Ministry Of A First Century Pedagogue Was To Groom A Child For Life
   2. The Majority Of The Old Testament Law Was Wrapped Up In The Sacrificial System
   3. The Objective Of The Entire Pedagogical Process Was To Point Men To Christ Resulting In Justification By Faith Alone