

Example of an Allegory

*Galatians 4:22-31

²² For it is written, that Abraham had **two sons**, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman.

²³ But he who was of the **bondwoman** was born after the flesh; but he of the **freewoman** was by promise.

²⁴ Which things are an **allegory**: for these are the **two covenants**; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to **bondage**, which is Agar.

²⁵ For this Agar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children.

²⁶ But Jerusalem which is above is **free**, which is the mother of us all."

²⁷ For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband.

²⁸ Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise.

²⁹ But as then he that was born after **the flesh** persecuted him that was born after **the Spirit**, even so it is now.

³⁰ Nevertheless what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son: for the son of the **bondwoman** shall not be heir with the son of the **freewoman**.

³¹ So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the **free**."

On the Day of Pentecost in AD 29, the Holy Spirit was poured out in great measure and the first 12 chapters of Acts gives an account of God building His Church with **Peter** in the forefront. Then, the deacons, then, to Saul (**Paul**).



Latter Rain

If the **latter rain outpouring of God's Spirit** is foreshadowed in what is recorded about the apostle Paul in the book of Acts, here's what to expect.

Believers will:

- 1) **Use God's Word** as supreme authority
leading people to Jesus
- 2) **Heal lameness & weakness**
where there is faith to receive it
- 3) **Testify to hostile religious leaders**
- 4) **Confront phonies in the church**
- 5) **Carry the healing power of God**
even beyond distance barriers
- 6) **Experience God's protection**
- 7) **Boldly confront witchcraft**
- 8) **Raise the dead**
- 9) **Follow visions from God**
- 10) **Partner with other believers**
- 11) **Listen to & honor prophets**
- 12) **Testify to national leaders**

This is how you'll **KNOW** the Latter Rain is here. Many modern ministries actually do walk in **all 12** of these.

The ones that do not will soon have to 'choose sides' and either become like the angry, jealous Pharisees of old, or join in and see the supernatural power of God as the Church enters the 'days of Elijah.'

Bible Allegories

There are many **ALLEGORICAL** parables & visions in the

Old Testament

(for example:

Judges 9:8-16—Trees Choose a King;
Jeremiah 21:1-12—Potter & the Clay;
Ezekiel 17:1-24—Eagle & the Vine)
and in the

New Testament

1 Corin. 12—Christ's Body=the Church
Romans 11:16-27—Israel=Olive Tree

Galatians 4:22-31* (*see back page*) says
Hagar ('Agar') is Mount Sinai (in bondage)
Sarah ('Sarai') is Jerusalem (free)
and that these represent
God's **TWO COVENANTS** with man

Perhaps Peter & Paul's travels recorded in the book of Acts represent the **TWO DISPENSATIONS** alluded to by the two feasts in Esther and the former & latter rain of Joel 2:23. That's the thesis of this brochure.

Peter & Paul BOTH...

1) QUOTED THE OLD TESTAMENT
to Jews—defending the Gospel of Jesus

2) HEALED a crippled man

3) TESTIFIED to High Priests

4) CONFRONTED PHONY 'ALLIES'

5) CARRIED GOD'S POWER

6) were SUPERNATURALLY FREED from prison

7) CONFRONTED SORCERERS
and cursed them

8) RAISED THE DEAD (*which only Jesus, Elijah, Elisha, Peter & Paul did*)

9) were LED by VISIONS

10) TRAVELED with OTHERS

11) WARNED by the PROPHET AGABUS

12) TESTIFIED TO A HEROD
(Herod Antipas executed Jesus)

PETER (1st dispensation)?

Acts 2:14–40, 10:34–35
He quoted Joel & David
(& was later directed to go to Gentiles)

Acts 3:2–10
@Beautiful Gate, 'fastening his eyes'
(lame man at the Temple)

Acts 4:6–18
Annas
(religious leaders told him to shut up)

Acts 5:1–11
Ananias & Sapphira lied
(pretending to offer all their profits)

Acts 5:15–16
Peter's **shadow** healed people
(anointing required close proximity)

Acts 5:18–25, 12:4–11
Angel opens prison doors 2 times!
(visible angels deliver him)

Acts 8:9–24, v. 20
Simon's **finances** cursed
(for trying to buy the anointing)

Acts 9:40
Tabitha/Dorcas raised
(sick, died & placed in an upper chamber)

Acts 10:3
saying 'go to Cornelius'
(sent to a family)

Acts 11:12
6 went with Peter

Acts 11:27–28
foretelling of a local famine
(to warn a region)

Acts 12:3
King Herod Agrippa I
(died in pride in Acts 12:21)

PAUL (2nd dispensation)?

Acts 13:16–43, 46
He quoted Moses & David
(rejected by Jews, went to Gentiles)

Acts 14:8–9
@Lystra, recognizing his faith
(‘impotent in feet’)

Acts 23:2–9
Ananias (*NOT the Ananias in Acts 5 or in 9:17*)
(religious leaders took a vow to kill him)

Acts 16:17
Demon-possessed girl flattered
(pretending to be a follower of Christ)

Acts 19:12
Paul's **handkerchiefs** & aprons healed
(anointing can be carried afar)

Acts 16:26
Earthquake opens prison doors
(nature provides deliverance)

Acts 13:6–12, 19:13–19
Barjesus/Elymas cursed w/**blindness**
(not repeated—& it may have alienated Mark)

Acts 20:7–12
Eutychus raised
(slept, fell from an upper chamber & died)

Acts 16:9
saying 'go to Macedonia'
(sent to a nation)

Acts 13:1, 20:4
5–7 went with Paul

Acts 21:10–12
foretelling Paul's imprisonment
(to warn Paul)

Acts 25–26:28
King Herod Agrippa II
(last Herod, was 'almost persuaded')