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Galatians Lesson

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1. Last week I taught Gal 5:6 in part and when time expired I was reviewing the **Doctrine of Agape**.
2. Before continuing, I want to give you opportunity to use 1Jo 1:9 as may be necessary.
3. Here is an expanded translation of Gal 5:6.

**Expanded Translation**

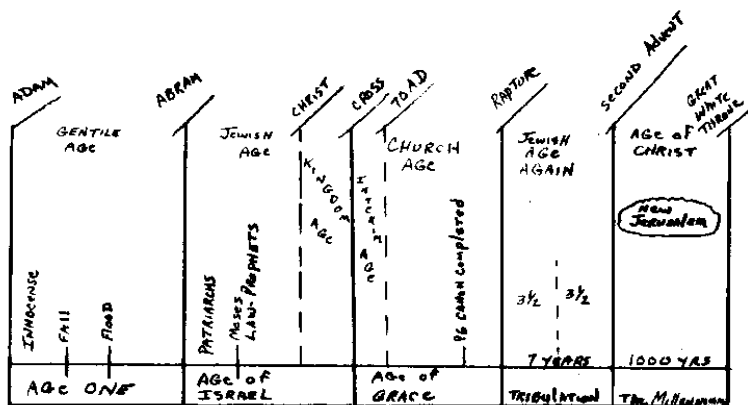
**Gal 5:6 For when we place our faith in Christ Jesus, there is no benefit in being circumcised or being uncircumcised. What is important is faith operating through and by means of doctrine resident in our souls.**

4. I want to review some of that learned and then resume the study of the *Doctrine of Agape*. We will review points 1-6 and then begin new material at point 6.1 on page three.

**Doctrine of Agape**

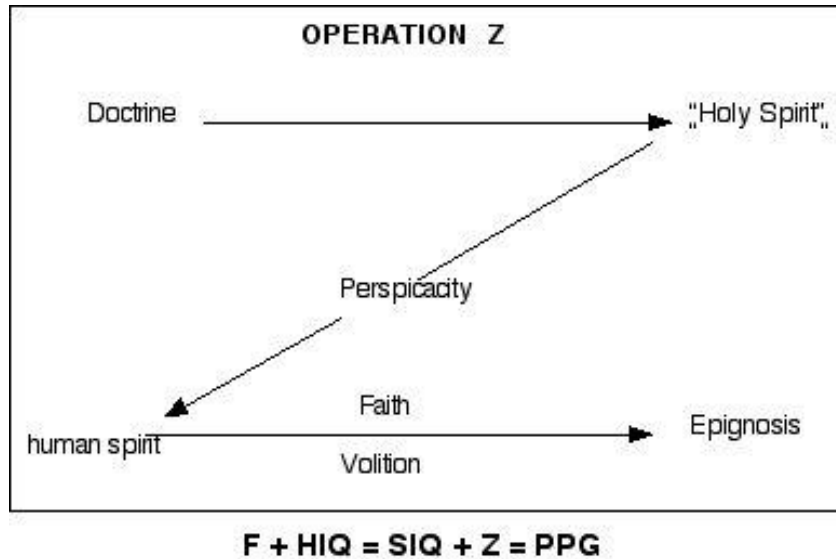
1. **Agape** love is commanded in Scripture. Here we find its power is contrasted with the impotence of circumcision and façade of law keeping. We learned last week of the many differences between the two Greek words translated “love.” The two words analyzed were **Agape** vis-à-vis **Philos**.

3. Think of yourself today on the time line in the Age of Grace. All the “divine good” displayed in time is **Agape**. So, you arrived, you learned and you performed as doctrine in your soul demanded: that is **Agape**. Keep in mind you were taught by God the Holy Spirit



3. God has provided subtle differences between the two New Testament words for love. Joh 21:15-17

4. Here is a question? How does any believer accept Christ when an unbeliever cannot learn doctrine for he has no indwelling of the Holy Spirit? Let me answer that with a chart and an explanation.



5. Ok, so now I am saved, what next? the source of all divine good is Bible doctrine in the soul: Let's see what Scripture has to say re: the source of divine good—the answer Scripture.

Jam 1:19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

Jam 1:20 For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.

Jam 1:21 **Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.**

Col 1:6 Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; **and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it,** and knew the grace of God in truth:

Isa 55:11 **So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please,** and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

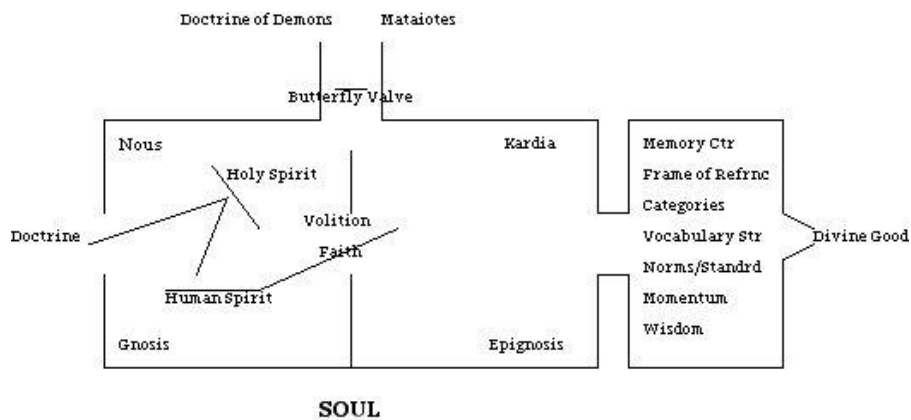
2Ti 3:16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,  
 2Ti 3:17 so that the man of God **may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.**

2Pe 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, **through the knowledge of him** that hath called us to glory and virtue:

2Pe 1:4 **Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.**

6. The love poured out in our hearts is a result of God's wonderful grace which provides equality to all believers. Eph 3:17-18

6.1 Thus the formula: Filling + Human IQ = Spiritual IQ + Z = Protocol Plan of God



**7. Next week I will teach how Paul used several academic metaphors to teach the rest of our verse. See you next week.**

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