



Paul, His Life and Teachings

Paul's Letter to the Galatians

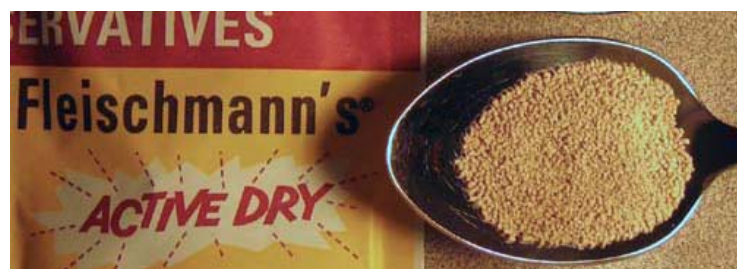
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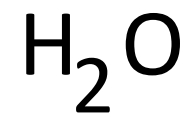
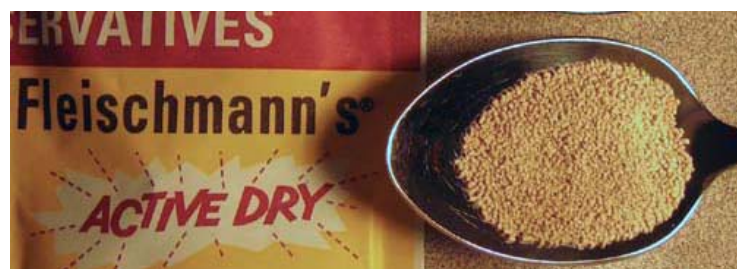
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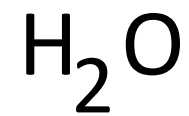
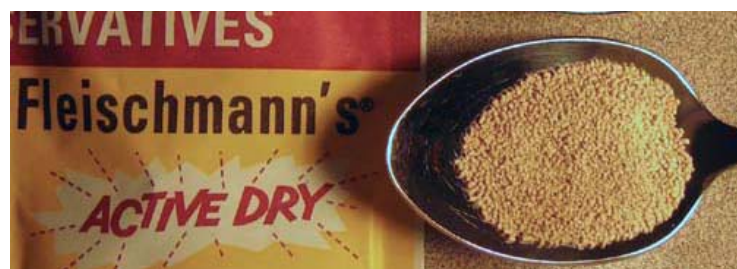
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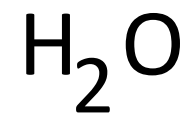


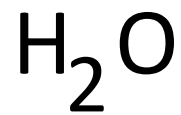
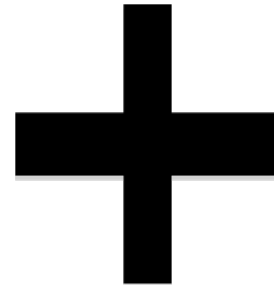












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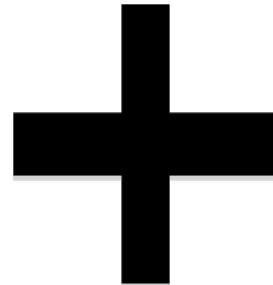


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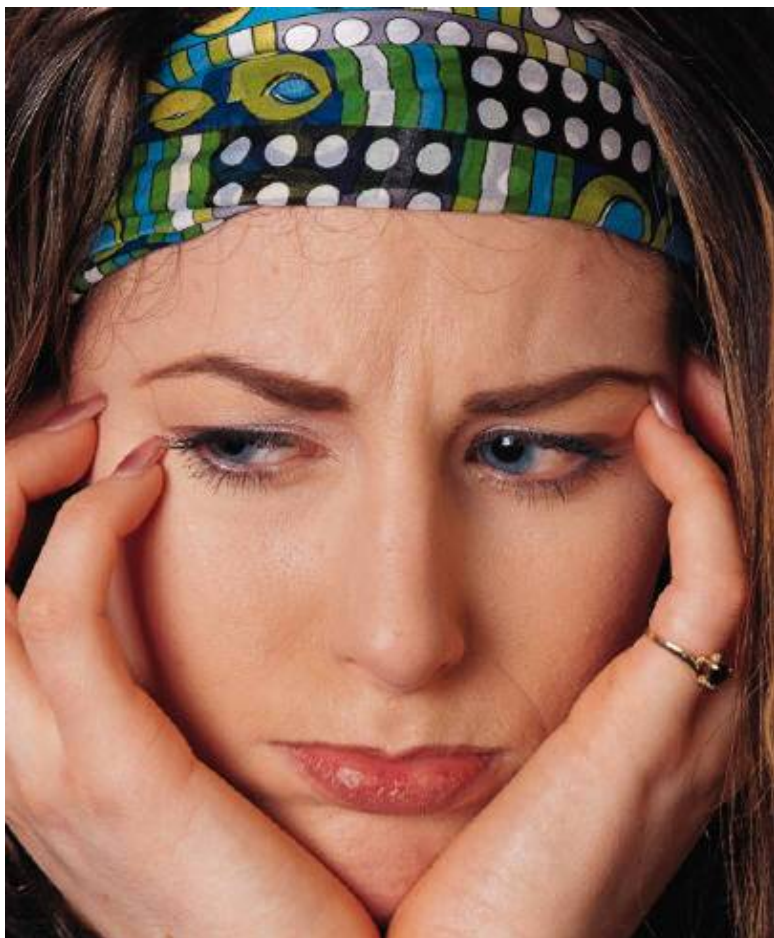
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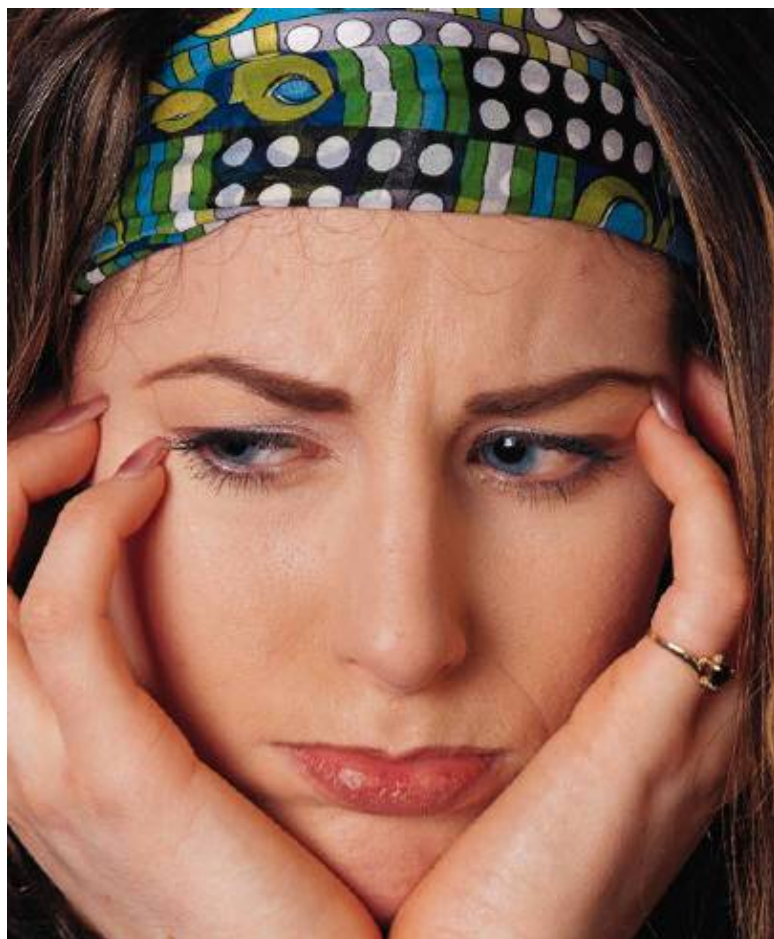
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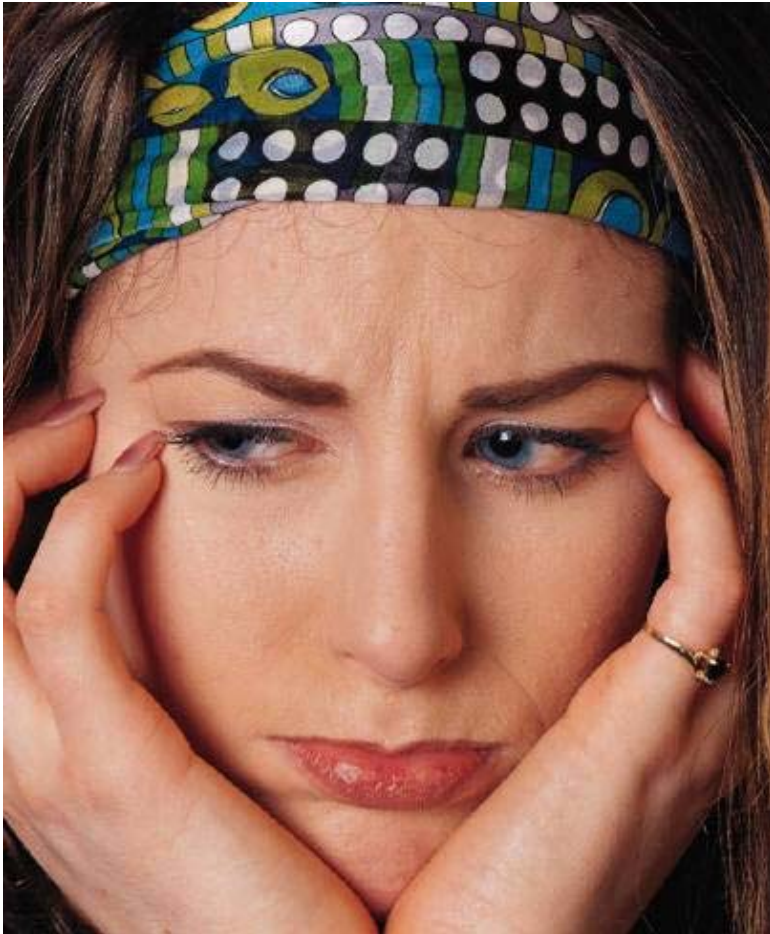


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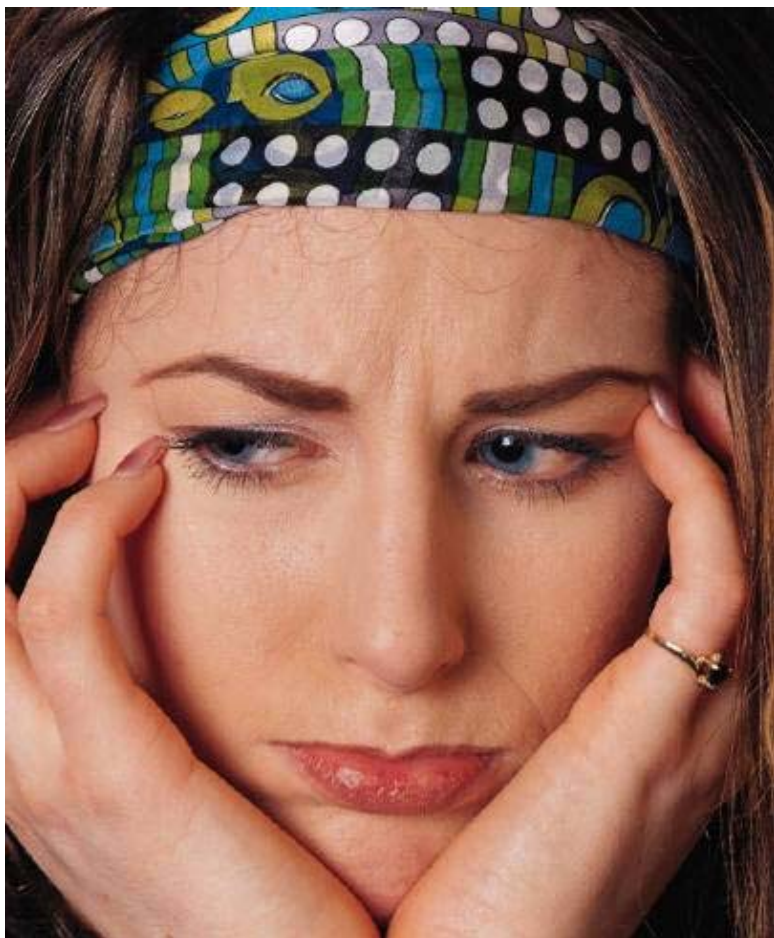
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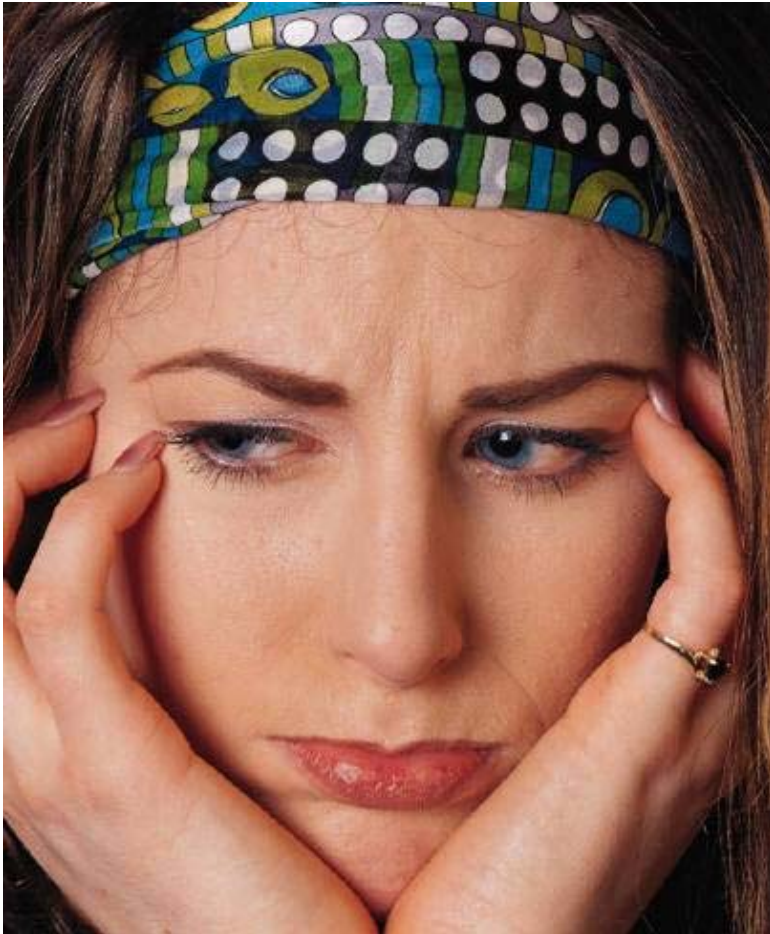


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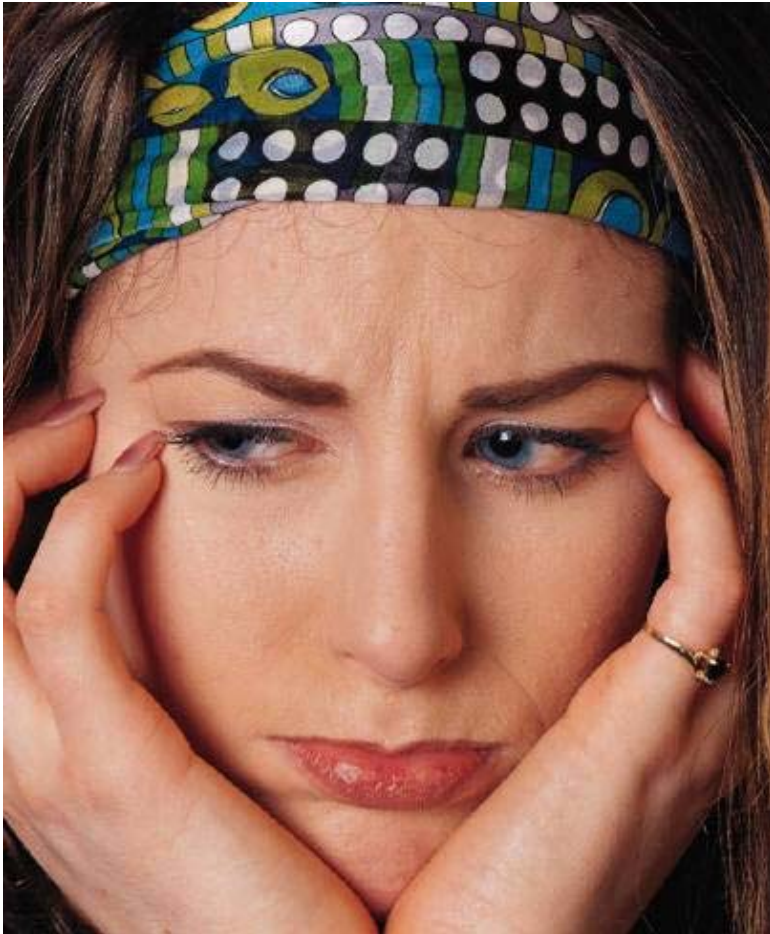
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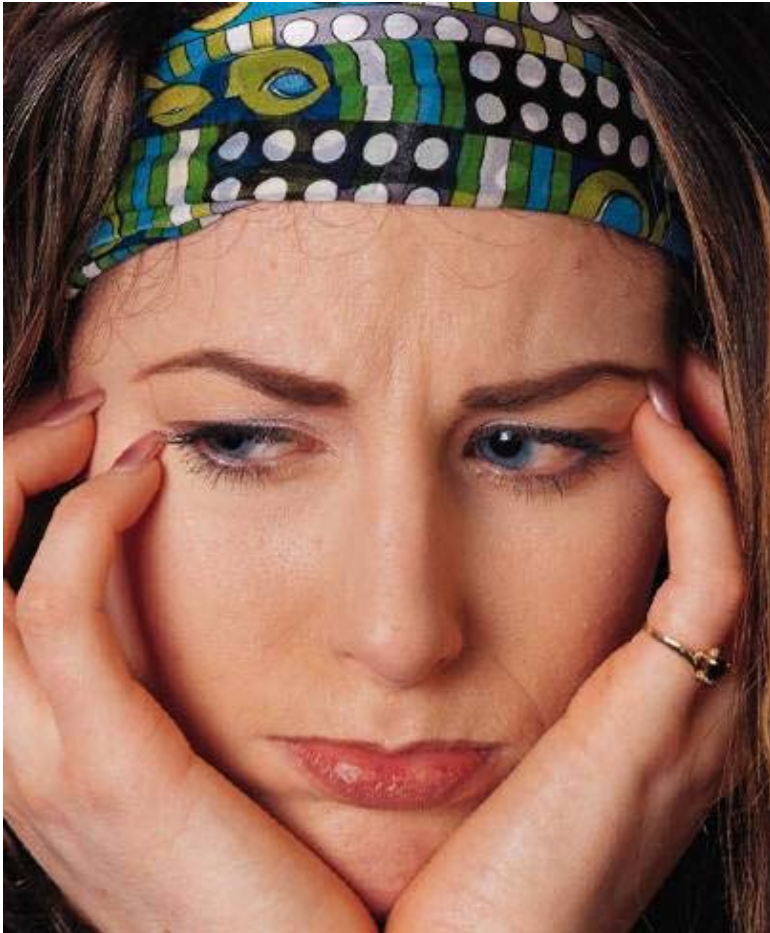
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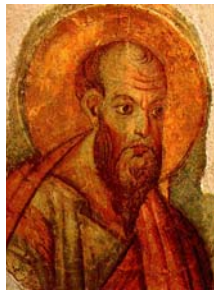


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Why? (The “Occasion”)



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1:6 “I am astonished
that you are so
quickly deserting
him who called you
in the grace of Christ
and **turning to a
different gospel.**”

Why? (The “Occasion”)



1:7 “There are some
who trouble you and
want to **distort the
gospel** of Christ.”

Why?

(The “Occasion”)



3:1 “Oh foolish
Galatians, **who has
bewitched you?** It was
before your eyes that
Jesus Christ was
publically portrayed as
crucified.”

Why? (The “Occasion”)



3:3 “Are you so foolish?
Having begun by the
Spirit are you now being
perfected by the flesh?”

Why? (The “Occasion”)



4:9 “**Now** that you have
come to know God, or
rather to be known by
God, **how can you turn
back?**”

Why? (The “Occasion”)



5:7 “You were running well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth?”

What?

What?



Catch the flow of Paul's thought

Official ID

Name: Saul Paul

Occupation: Apostle

Religion: Christian



“Paul, an apostle – not from men nor through man, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead.” (1:1)

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“and all the brothers who are with me.” (1:2)

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“I would have you know, brothers, that the gospel that was preached by me is not man’s gospel ... I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.”
(1:11-12)

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God “set me apart before I was born ... in order
that I might preach him among the Gentiles.”
(1:15-16)

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“I went up again to Jerusalem ... and set before them the gospel that I proclaim among the Gentiles” James, Peter and John “perceived the grace that was given me ... gave the right hand of fellowship that we should go to the Gentiles” (2:1-9)

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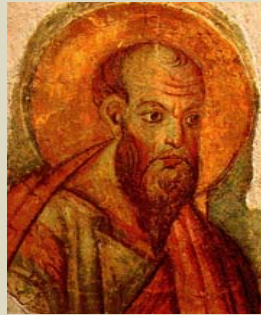
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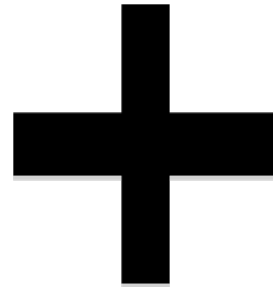


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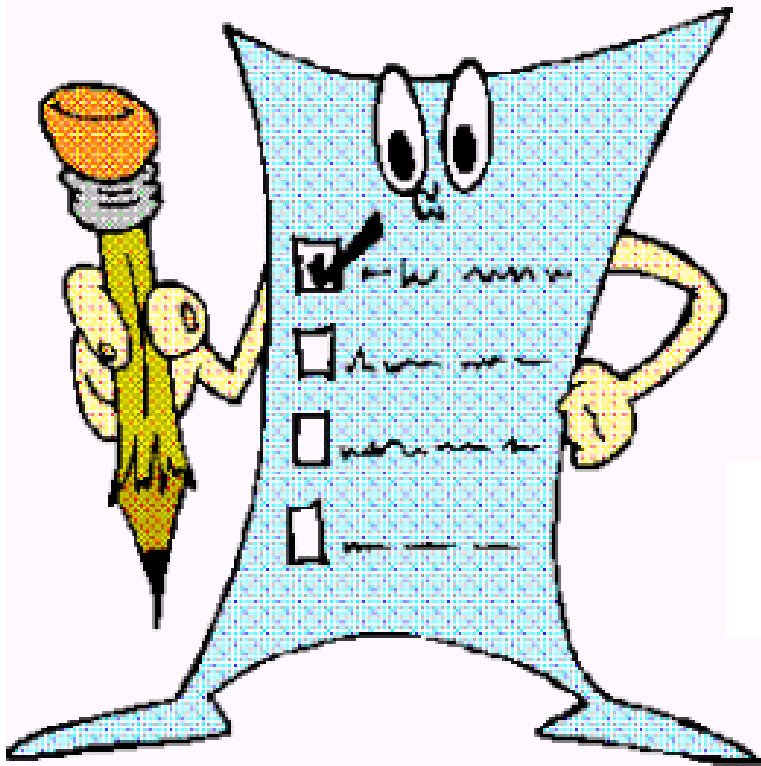
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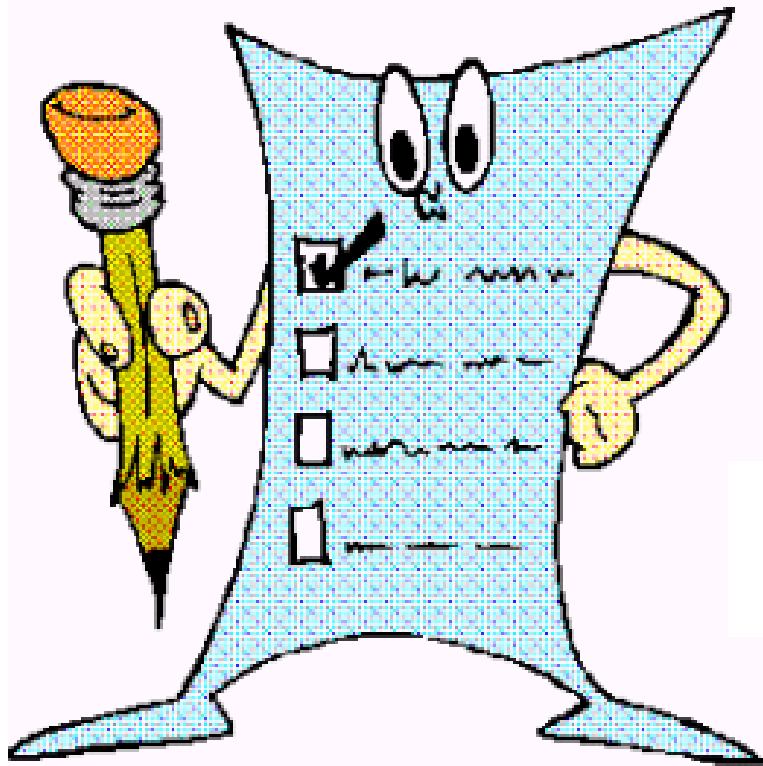
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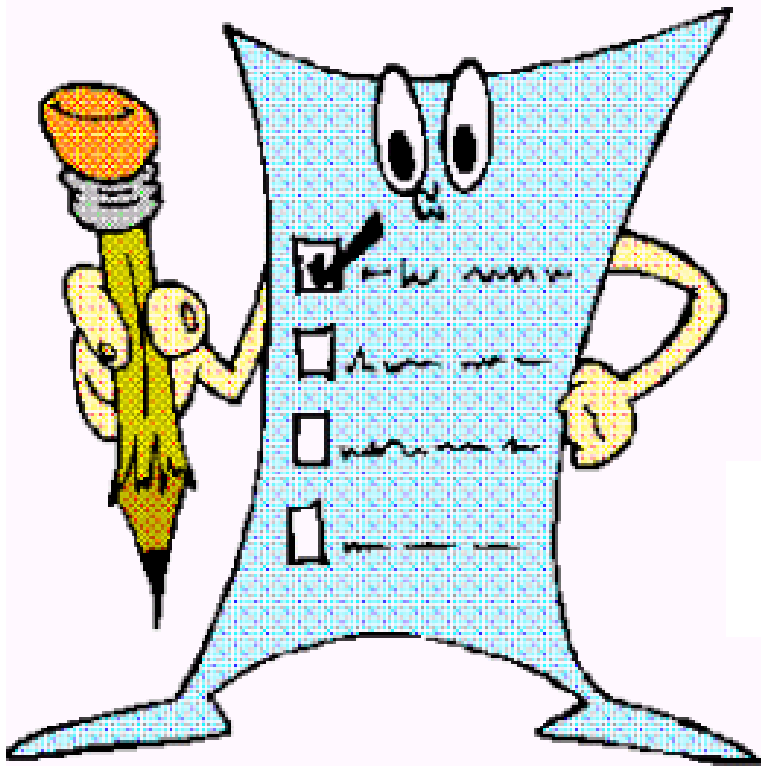


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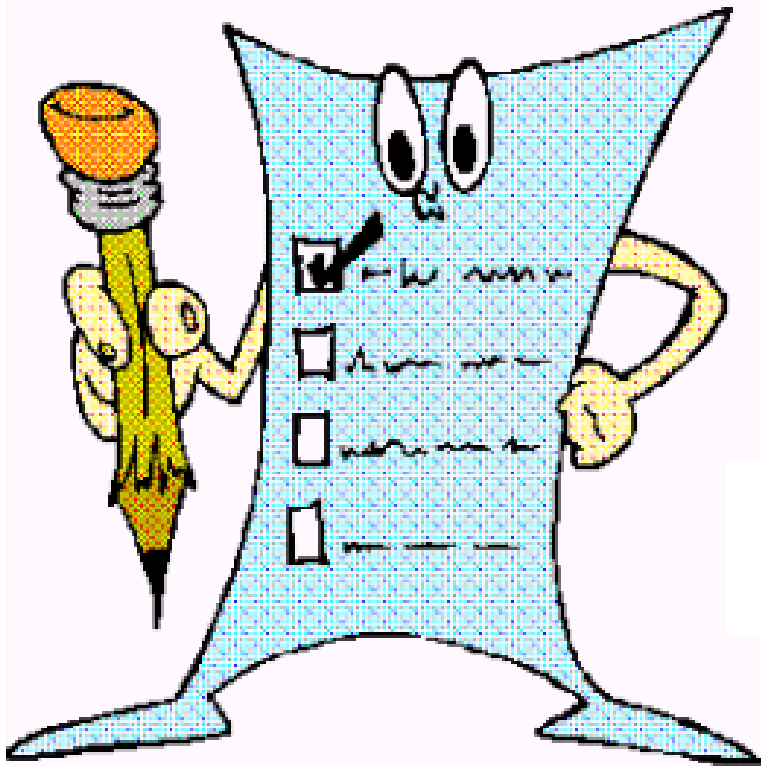
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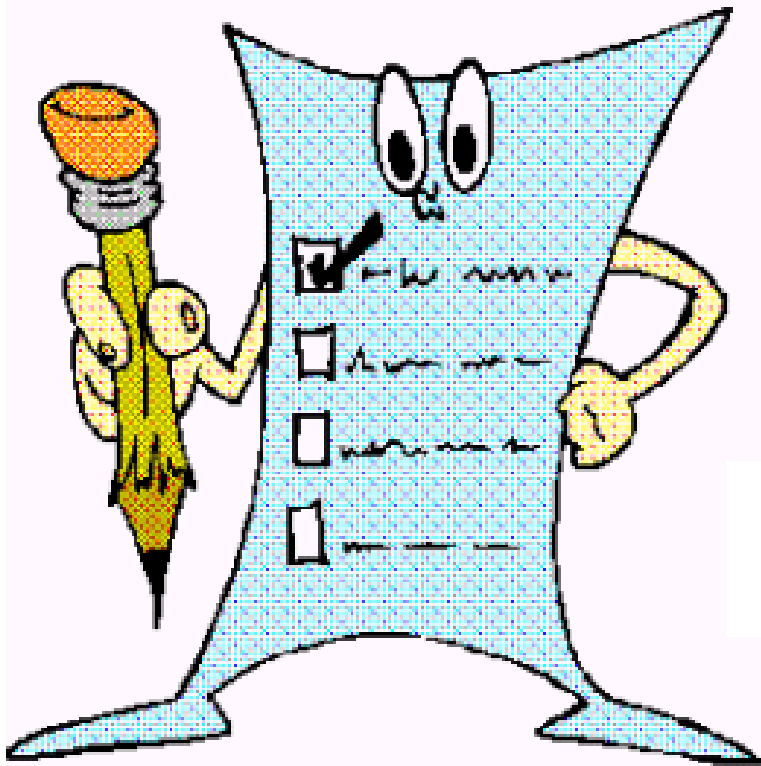
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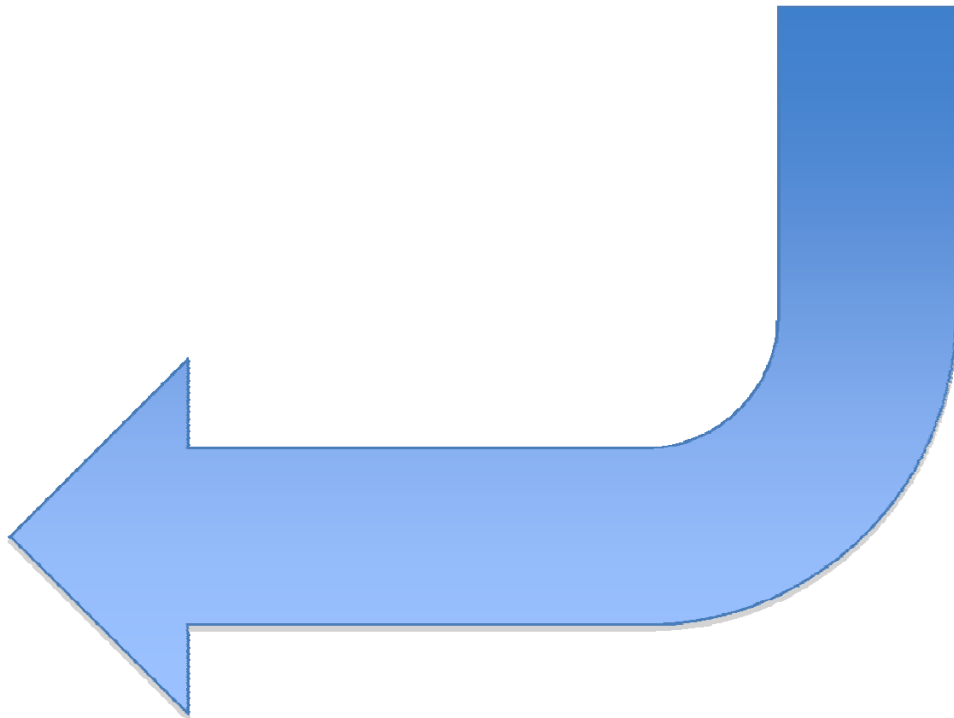
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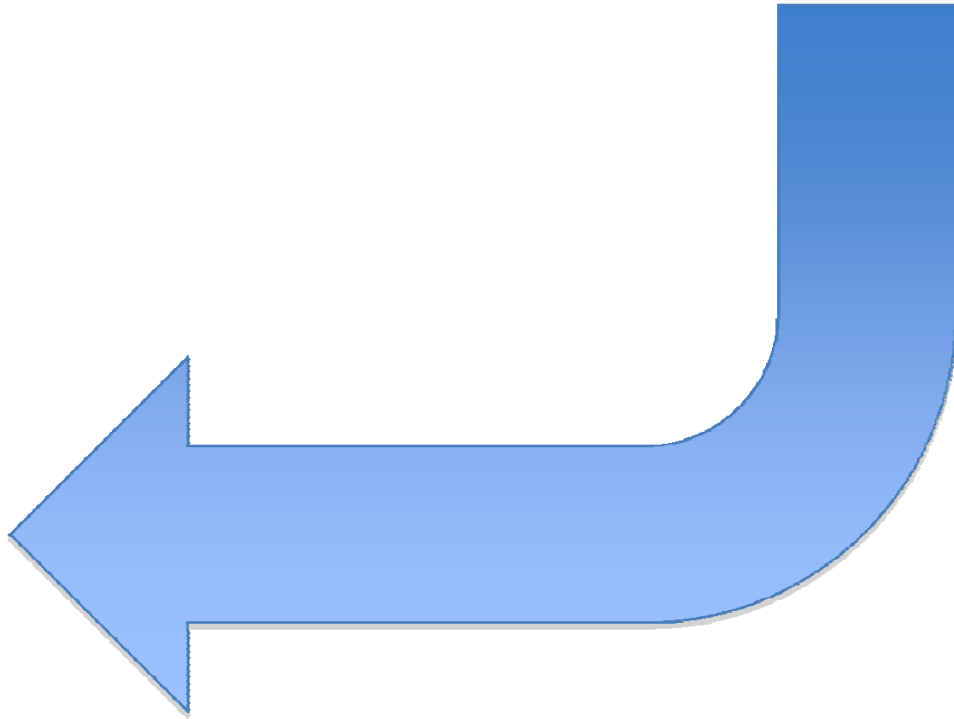
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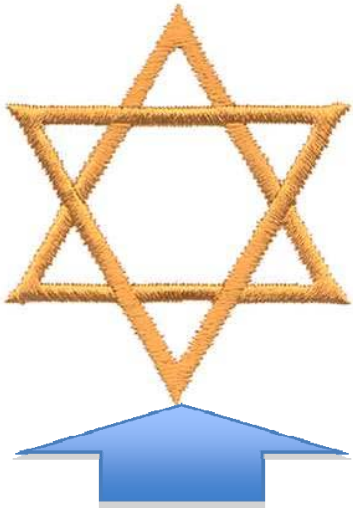
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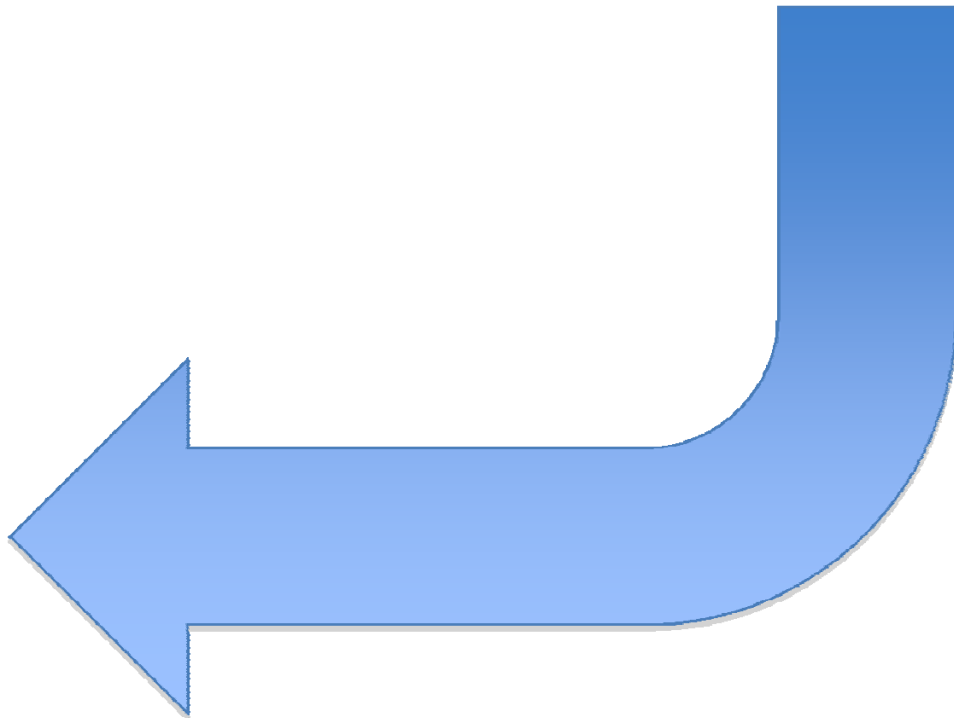
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Think of a contract



A deal is a deal

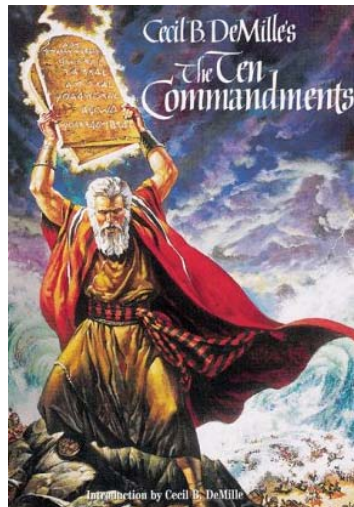
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**430
years
later**



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- To help society

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- To help society
- To show Jesus

So why did the law come?



- To help society
- To show Jesus
- To lead us to Jesus

The Galatians were about to take their new freedom in Christ and get into something much worse!



Consider the irony



Hagar the slave



Sarah the free

Consider the irony



Hagar the slave

The Law



Sarah the free

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Hagar the slave

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Sarah the free

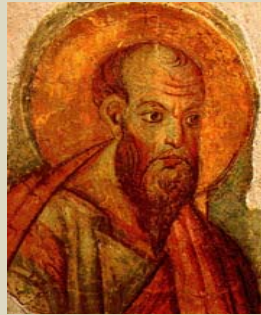
**Free in
Christ**



“For freedom
Christ has set us
free; stand firm
therefore, and
do not submit
again to the
yoke of slavery.”
(5:1)

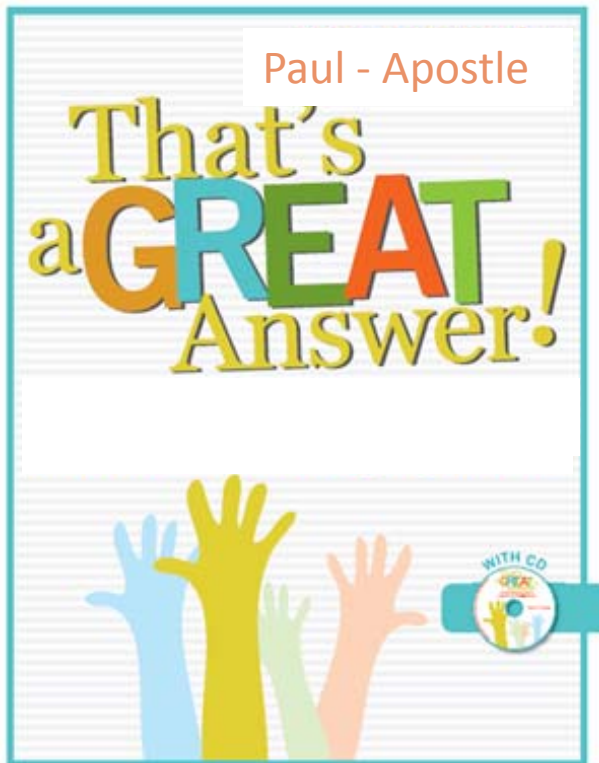
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Love, joy, peace,
patience, kindness,
goodness, faithfulness,
gentleness, self-control

Points for Home



Don't add to
the gospel!

Points for Home



Use your
freedom to
grow and love,
don't live as a
slave!

Point for Home



Don't get a big
head!

May I never boast
“except in the
cross of our Lord
Jesus Christ”
(6:14)