

The case of Galatians 3:28



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Modernists and feminists and leftists in trying to promote women to the pulpit, present this solitary verse: [There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. \(Galatians 3:28 AV\)](#) as absolute proof thereof. To note that the correspondent verse does not have [there is neither male nor female](#): [Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond \[nor\] free: but Christ \[is\] all, and in all. \(Colossians 3:11 AV\)](#)

They contend that with Gal 3:28 the different roles, relations, functions between man and woman given by God have been abolished because in Christ there is no male or female for we are one (unisex?). This presumed meaning is extracted out of the verse only by reading into it far more than what it says, without taking care of the contextual context. But the Apostle exhorts those who want to be faithful disciples of Christ, to preach the Gospel as it has been given and to defend it from errors: [Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort \[you\] that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. \(Jude 1:3 AV\)](#). We must preach the Gospel in Its integrity, in sound doctrine, not only in what tickles this evil generation and forgetting not: [For I am the LORD, I change not; \(Malachi 3:6 AV\)](#)

Many modernists base their arguments on what man has done since Adam, on feelings and on what they would like to see in action, but not on what actually the Bible says on the subject. Truly, it seems as we actually are in the last days, where the Word of the Lord warns us to be on guard and vigil for the very many heresies around us. [Professing to be wise, they became foolish \(Romans 1:22 \) For a time will be when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own lusts, they will heap up to themselves teachers tickling the ear; and \[they\] will turn away the ear from the truth and will be turned aside to myths. \(2 Timothy 4:3-4 \)](#)

It is interesting to note that [Gal 3:28](#) is usually quoted by itself as a solid proof without also mentioning these verses, for example:

[For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. \(Romans 1:16 AV\)](#)

[\[Is he\] the God of the Jews only? \[is he\] not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also: \(Romans 3:29 AV\)](#)

[Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles? \(Romans 9:24 AV\)](#)

[For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. \(Romans 10:12 AV\)](#)

[For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether \[we be\] Jews or Gentiles, whether \[we be\] bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit. \(1 Corinthians 12:13 AV\)](#)

[That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel: \(Ephesians 3:6 AV\)](#)

Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether [he be] bond or free. (Ephesians 6:8 AV)

Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond [nor] free: but Christ [is] all, and in all. (Colossians 3:11 AV)

All these verses, including Gal 3:8 refer that now, **in Christ**, ALL (male / female, Greek / Jew, circumcision / uncircumcision, Barbarian / Scythian, bond / free) have access to the Throne of God's Grace signifying by this that animal sacrifices are not needed anymore with sprinkling of the blood on the Mercy seat by the High Priest because through the blood of Christ, our Eternal High Priest, all the called one have access to God, the Father (i.e. salvation). Rev 5:9.

where Jesus entered as forerunner for us, having become a High Priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek. (Hebrews 6:20 LIT)

by which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. (Hebrews 10:10 LIT)

The solitary reference to male / female is obviously given to clarify that also the woman, as the Greeks, the Jews, slaves or free, have access to God through Christ, that is partakers to salvation as anyone else in Christ. Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with *them* according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered. (1 Peter 3:7 AV)

It is clear that Gal 3:28 does not refer to a change in functional relationship between man and woman, but rather to access to salvation of those that God has called to Himself, undependably of sex, race and social position. This was a huge revelation to the Jews as the following verses demonstrated that salvation in Christ is applicable also to the Gentiles: And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning. Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost. Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God? When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life. (Acts 11:15-18 AV)

This was the catalyst from which the Gospel of Christ began to be offered and preached to the Gentile also. The testimony of the Holy Ghost in descending also upon the gentiles in Cornelius' Home was irrefutable proof that could not be denied. The Jews had no intention whatsoever to extend to Good News to the Gentiles for they were considered no better than dogs. Even the great Peter, was reproached by Paul for returning to his old convictions of being separated from the gentiles Gal 2:11. (interesting to note that it was Peter that brought the Good News to Cornelius' household) Paul had to continuously combat the Jews for they wanted to keep the Gospel to themselves or at least they wanted the gentiles to also keep Moses' law. The Jews have always believed to be the chosen people, and they are, but the Scriptures entrusted to them were not only for their own private use, as evidenced by God that He would bless all nations through the Jews' witnessing, a thing they have not done much.

Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? (Genesis 18:18 AV)

And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice. (Genesis 22:18 AV)

Even in the NT we see Jesus confirming the concept "for all the people": *And he taught, saying unto them, Is it not written, My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer? but ye have made it a den of thieves. (Mark 11:17 AV) which refers to: Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people. (Isaiah 56:7 AV)*

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. (Luke 2:30-32 AV)

Gal 3:28, with the other verses, were Paul's corrections to confirm that salvation in Christ was applicable to all: Masters / Slaves, Jews / Gentiles, men / women through faith in Christ Jesus. In particular, these verses refer to the Jews and the Gentiles where through faith in Christ they are now one people for Jesus has demolished the wall of division as Paul says in Ephesians 2:11-22, specifically in Eph 2:14: *For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; (Ephesians 2:14 AV)* This unity in Christ is saying that, through Him all those called according to His purpose, in faith, Jews/gentiles or masters/slaves, men/women all have access to be joined in His Body. Clearly Gal 3:28 is referring to salvation and not to functional relationship.

Moreover Jesus said that he has not come to change the Law till all is fulfilled: *For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. (Matthew 5:18 AV)*

And here is proof:

Servants, be obedient to your masters in all fear, not only to those good and forbearing, but also to the perverse ones. (1 Peter 2:18)

Let as many servants as are under the yoke count their own masters worthy of all honour, that the name of God and his doctrine be not blasphemed. And they that have believing masters, let them not despise them, because they are brethren; but rather do them service, because they are faithful and beloved, partakers of the benefit. These things teach and exhort. (1 Timothy 6:1-2 AV)

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord. (Colossians 3:18 AV)

Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam was first formed, then Eve. And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. (1 Timothy 2:11-14 AV)

But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God. (1 Corinthians 11:3 AV)

As clearly seen, after Jesus nothing has changed in the relations between man and woman.

The whole context of Galatians 3:28, indeed the whole chapter, the whole book speaks of the adoption of those God has called in the family of the Lord, through Christ Jesus in the sense that these are:

Equally justified through faith vs. 24

Equally free from the law of sin vs. 25

Equally sons of God by faith in Christ vs. 26

Equally clothed in Christ vs. 27

Equally saved by Christ vs. 28

Equal heirs of Abraham's promise vs. 29

By adoption, the believer is justified and heir in the family of God, with all the rights and privileges, thus Gal 3:28 simply says that salvation and unity in Christ is by adoption and transcends all distinctions, these being: ethnics, social, sexual as far as it concerns salvation.

For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. (Romans 10:12 AV)

For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit. (1 Corinthians 12:13 AV)

Let us be joyful that the Lord has not left Himself without reliable witnesses for He has reserved a residue "seven thousand" men that have not bowed the knee unto Baal, even in the present era of feminism.

Yet I have left *me* seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him. (1 Kings 19:18 AV)

But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to *the image of* Baal. Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace. (Romans 11:4-5 AV)