

“Fullness of Time” **Galatians 4:4-5**

I. For _____ years God did not speak to the children of Israel

- A. God’s people commanded His _____ not to prophecy. Amos 2:11-12

- B. The hearts of God’s people became _____ and they would not listen. Zech. 7:11-12

“In essence, they stopped listening and God stopped talking – for 400 years!”

II. During those 400 years, God had not forgotten His _____ and was _____.

A. Conditions in Israel prior to the coming of Christ

- 1. Language –

- 2. Travel –

- 3. Government –

- 4. Religion –
 - Places and Governing Powers of the Jewish Religion

 - Religious Parties or Sects

 - Messianic Hope –

- 5. Moral Status of Israel (which included the entire Roman Empire) –

B. Two Primary Ramifications of a “famine of hearing the words of the Lord”.

1. Insecurity in their _____ before God. – God’s chosen people
2. A _____ to hear God’s Words again.

“God used a silence to prepare hearts and the world for His Son.”

“But when the _____ of the time was come, God _____ forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, _____ them that were under the law, that we might receive the _____ of sons.” Galatians 4:4-5

“fulness of the time” –

“God sent forth his Son,” –

“made of a woman,” –

“made under the law,” –

“To redeem them that were under the law,” –

“that we might receive the adoption of sons.” –

Application to Believers:

1. Though God seems silent in our lives, in reality He is working for our good.
2. Do you have a hunger to hear from God? You have His Word---Read and Study it!