THE LETTER

## GALATIANS

THAT SAVED THE CHURCH

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Galatians 4:12-14 (NIV 2011)

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Galatians 4:15-16 (NIV 2011)

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Galatians 4:17-18 (NIV 2011)

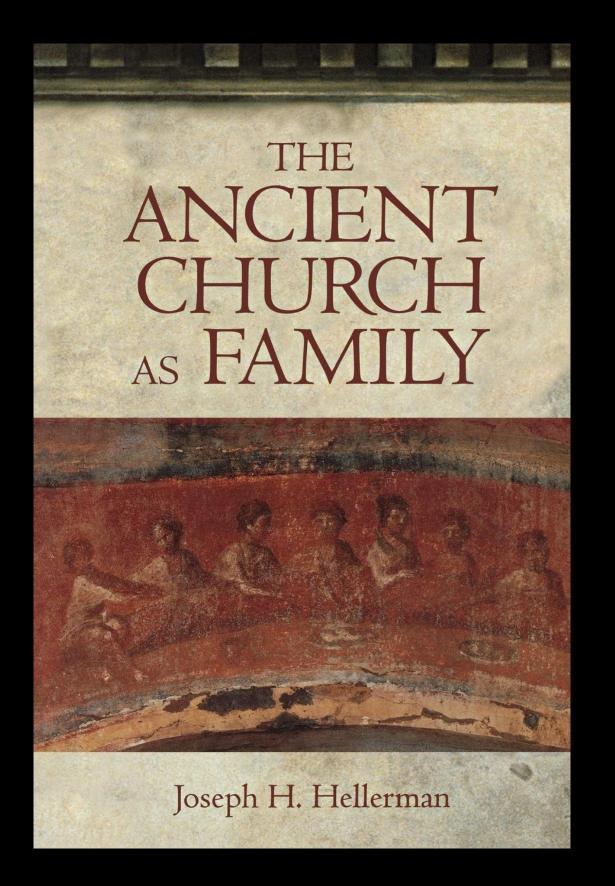
<sup>19</sup> My dear children, for whom I am again in the pains of childbirth until Christ is formed in you, <sup>20</sup> how I wish I could be with you now and change my tone, because I am perplexed about you!

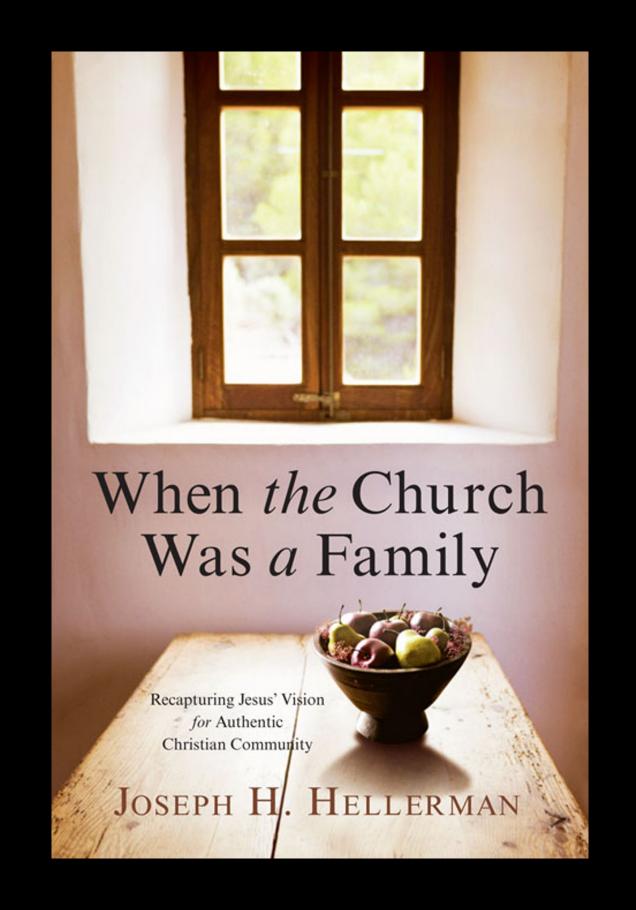
Galatians 4:19-20 (NIV 2011)

<sup>33</sup> "Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked.

<sup>34</sup> Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup> Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."

Mark 3:33-35 (NIV 2011)





## 1. We take care of each other

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Galatians 4:18a (NIV 2011)

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