

**Gospel Lighthouse Church**  
**12/28/25**  
**Reflection—Birth of the Savior**  
**God's Model Plan**

**Text:** *Galatians 4:4, 6:9.*

"But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law..."  
Galatians 4:4. (NKJ)

**Introduction:** As we reflect on Christmas, the birth of the Savior reveals profound truths about God's nature and His faithfulness. It is much like viewing a model home, you see the character of the builder and the quality of the work. It serves as a statement of what you can expect. In the same way, Galatians 4:4 gives us a model that helps us understand and trust the promise found in Galatians 6:9: "And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart" (NKJ). Threefold reflection:

**1. The model — Galatians 4:4.**

"But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law..."

- a. **"Fullness"** means completion, ripeness, or the exact right moment.
- b. This phrase points to God's perfect timing—the precise moment in history He prepared for the arrival of Jesus. Consider the following:
  - **Historical readiness:** A shared language, established road systems, and relative political stability under Roman rule made the rapid spread of the gospel possible (a view commonly noted by scholars).
  - **Spiritual need:** Humanity's inability to be justified by the Law was fully revealed, preparing hearts to receive God's grace.

**2. The message in the model — Galatians 6:9.**

"And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart" (NKJ).

- a. **Persevere in doing good.**
  - Supporting one another in the community.
  - Bearing each other's burdens.
  - Remaining loyal to the gospel of grace.
  - Living by the Spirit rather than by the flesh.
- b. **Perfect timing:** Just as God sent Jesus at exactly the right time, we can trust that He is at work in our lives today. Our good works will bear fruit in His appointed season.
  - **Purposeful living:** Both passages reveal that God is always working toward a greater purpose. When we align ourselves with His plan, we can trust Him to use our faithful actions—just as He used the coming of Christ—to accomplish His will.

**3. The movement toward harvest because of the model — Galatians 4:4; 6:9.**

- a. The birth of Christ marked the beginning of God's promised harvest of salvation.
  - Because God fulfilled His saving work through the birth of Jesus at the right time, we are encouraged not to grow weary.
  - As we trust God's timing and continue doing good, we move forward in faith, confident that "in due season we shall reap."

**Summary:**

- **The model:** God's perfect timing revealed.
- **The message:** Do not grow weary, persevere—trust God's timing.

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