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REMOVE THE TRAINING WHEELS

American students have long trailed their international peers in math skills. Disruptions caused by COVID-19 intensified the problem, and educators are scrambling to keep up. One solution being tried is an artificial intelligence tutoring program called Digit, developed by Arizona State University. For middle schoolers doing their math work on a computer, Digit corrects mathematical inaccuracies and provides real-time feedback right as the students are solving the problem. It's individualized, immediate help for every student, something most teachers simply cannot replicate. With middle schoolers, Digit offers hints and game-like rewards. But for high schoolers and college students, the training wheels come off, and Digit instead provides video lectures of why it's imperative that they learn higher math.

REMOVE THE TUTOR

In his letter to the Galatian church, Paul gives a master class on the purpose of the Jewish law in the context of the New Covenant. It was there as a tutor and guardian for the people of God, holding them in check and preparing their hearts to receive their inheritance, which is not through law but by faith. The law was never God's final solution. In the fullness of time, the Lord removed the tutor and presented the Savior.

1. Who or what gave you the most help in learning a new topic or skill?
2. Why do some people see artificial intelligence as a threat? Why do some people see it as a benefit?
3. What tasks of a tutor or guardian did the Old Testament law perform for God's people?

Additional Resources

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Music Video, Traditional: ["Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"](#)

Music Video, Multicultural: ["Blessings" by Theresa Phondo](#)

Music Video, Contemporary: ["A Place for You" by Faithful](#)

[Working Preacher Commentary on Galatians 3:23-29](#)

[Luther's Commentary on Galatians 4:1-7](#)

[IVP Commentary on Galatians 3:26-29](#)