

Galatians 3:1-14

Study Guide

1. Discuss the big idea, "when you get the cross you get the gospel."
2. The sermon listed behaviors that reflect relying on works over faith: Ritualistic Practices, Moralism, Earning Salvation, Legalism, Prosperity Gospel, Judgmental Attitude, Salvation Anxiety, Equating Busyness with Godliness, Relying on Religious Pedigree. Have you experienced any of these on your faith journey?
3. Abraham's life is an example of the gospel, his trusting God, God crediting him righteousness and the sacrifice of Isaac. Explain.
4. Share a time in your life when you were deceived but then later saw the truth.

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Message Outline

1. 2 Corinthians 13:5: "Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you? - unless indeed you fail to meet the test!"
2. Picture
3. Galatians 3:1-14: "O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified. 2 Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? 3 Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by[a] the flesh? 4 Did you suffer so many things in vain—if indeed it was in vain? 5 Does he who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you do so by works of the law, or by hearing with faith— 6 just as Abraham "believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness"?7 Know then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham. 8 And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "In you shall all the nations be blessed." 9 So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.10 For all who rely on works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, "Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them." 11 Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for "The righteous shall live by faith." 12 But the law is not of faith, rather "The one who does them shall live by them." 13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"— 14 so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the

Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.

4. The 4 Key Points of Galatians 3:1-14
 - a. The Galatians had received the Spirit, not by observing the law but by hearing with faith.
 - b. Abraham, the father of faith, is the prime example. "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." He did not earn it or work for it.
 - c. All who rely on works are under a curse, the Scriptures declare that no one is justified by the law in the sight of God.
 - d. Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us. On the cross, Jesus took upon Himself the weight of our sins and the curse they brought.

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6. Galatians 3:1: "O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified."

7. Point #1: The Galatians had received the Spirit, not by observing the law but by hearing with faith.

8. Point #2: Justification by faith not works: 6 Just as Abraham "believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness"? 7 Know then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham. 8 And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "In you shall all the nations be blessed."9 So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.

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11. Point #4: Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us. On the cross, Jesus took upon Himself the weight of our sins and the curse they brought.

12. Big Idea: When you get the cross, you get the Gospel

13. Time of Reflection

- a. Lord, am I still trying to earn my salvation?
- b. On the cross, Jesus took upon Himself the weight of our sins and the curse they brought. Help me to see the wonder of what you did dear Lord.
- c. Lord, I can't add to what you have done. It is finished. I will simply love, trust and obey for there is no other way.