



Reflection Questions

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The Division of Law and Faith

Galatians 3:1-14

This week we explore the great distinction between the Law and Faith as Paul lays it out in Galatians 3:1-14, and what that distinction means for how we understand salvation and the Christian life.

Reflection Questions:

1. Paul calls the Galatians foolish for abandoning the gospel they had clearly received — in what ways might intellectual laziness or an unwillingness to think critically make believers today vulnerable to distorted versions of the gospel?
2. There are two forces working against the Galatians: their own foolishness and spiritual deception working in tandem — how do you see these two forces operating together in your own life or in the broader church today?
3. Paul points the Galatians back to Abraham, showing that he was justified by faith before circumcision was ever commanded — what does this reveal about the nature of God's plan of salvation and how it was never fundamentally about human performance?
4. We described legalism as having an ugly underbelly of pride disguised as piety — can you identify areas in your own spiritual life where the desire to feel spiritually superior to others might be motivating your religious practices?
5. Paul's rhetorical questions in Galatians 3:2-5 challenge the Galatians to remember that everything they received came through faith, not works — what does it mean practically that the Christian life must be sustained the same way it began?
6. Paul describes Christ becoming a curse for us, bearing the full weight of God's wrath for sins He never committed — how does meditating on the specific nature of what Christ endured on the cross change the way you think about your own sin?
7. There is a sharp distinction between merit being valuable and necessary in the physical world and being utterly insufficient before a perfectly holy God — how does understanding the absolute holiness of God reshape your understanding of why salvation could never be earned?