

Here are some talking points to start using to get your group talking to each other and to start generating meaningful conversations. Remember, you want others to do most of the talking.

**Start Talking.** Find a conversation starter for your group.

**Start Thinking.** Ask a question to get your group thinking. Which part of the message was most impactful to you and why?

**Start Sharing & Talking About the message.** NOTE: Pastor may not cover all points in all services.

**Setting/Open:** The big question to the Galatian believers is – Do you realize what you’re doing by turning to the Law for salvation? The Law can’t save; it can only point to the need for a Savior. Whether Jew or Gentile, they faced the same temptation, and Paul’s encouragement is to resist that temptation to be in bondage to the Law and to rely on Jesus only. Grace is enough. **Heb 13:22**

1. In **Hebrews 10:1-4**, what does it say that the Law provided? A. A shadow of the good things to come. And confirmation that the sacrifices of animals could never take away sin and make a person holy or perfect. (v4).
2. Regarding sin, what did the Day of Atonement do? It reminded people that their sins were covered but that they were not perfect and still sinners. **Lev 16:22**
3. **Heb 10:5:** We see the incarnation of Jesus. **Phil 2:5-8** The “type & shadow” has now come in the form of Jesus, in human flesh.
4. **Heb 10:10** What sanctifies us once and for all? A. The offering of the body of Jesus Christ. The types & shadows have been fulfilled. **Psalms 40**
5. What is an imperative for holding fast to the truth of Jesus and grace as sufficient for our salvation? A. The Bible – read it, study it, meditate on it, memorize it, trust it.

**Galatians 4:21-31 – A spiritual analogy or allegory highlight the need for grace.**

V21 What does the Law say? A. If a person trusts in the Law, they must keep every point. Miss one – miss them all and stand guilty before God. What does human effort lead to? A. Frustration and failure. We can’t keep the law (be perfect) by our own efforts.

6. Pastor Ed referred to false teachers - what do they cause? A. Confusion leading to being deceived and believing lies. Sometimes we cause our own confusion. The correct approach is found in **Proverb 3:5-6**.
7. V22-23 The Jews took pride in being descendants of Abraham. But was that enough for salvation? A. No **Matt 3:9** Read also **John 8:37-44** for background to Abraham having two sons, Ishmael and Isaac.
8. V24-31 The symbolism of the two sons. 1. The women: Hagar (the slave) and Ishmael represent the flesh or human effort and bondage; Sara and Isaac represent the spirit, the promise and freedom. It is Law versus grace.  
Application: We are children of the spirit and the promise – don’t go back. God does not need our help to fulfill His promises. **Phil 2:13**
9. According to **2Cor 5:14-15** what is our motivation to live for God? A. Love “compels” us.

**Start Praying & Start Doing.** Talk to your group about (1) creating profiles on the Calvary App so your group can create a group chat on the app. Let Pastor Josh know so he can set your group up for you. (2) Encourage your group to read ahead. (3) Please remember to fill out the LIFEgroup meeting assessment form after your meeting. Here is the link: <https://bit.ly/LIFEgroup-Assessment>

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Grace is the Only Way to Live

Gal 4:21-31 & Heb 10:1-10

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