The Gospel, Abraham, and a curse...

Galatians 3:7-14

- I. Review
 - a. Why written
 - i. False teachers
 - ii. Apostolic credentials
 - b. Chapter 3:1-5
 - i. Personal appeal
 - 1. Experiences
 - ii. Holy Spirit essential
 - 1. Miracles—Rom. 8:11
 - iii. Experiences only get you so far
 - 1. Hearing the Word—Rom. 10:17
 - iv. Paul turns to the Word
 - 1. 2 Peter 1:19-21
 - 2. 2 Tim. 2:15
 - 3. 2 Tim. 3:16-17
 - 4. 2 Tim. 2:14, 16-17
- II. Galatians 3:6-14
 - a. Paul uses the Old Testament—6 quotes
 - i. Positive proof
 - ii. Negative proof
 - iii. Positive Hope in Jesus Christ
- III. Positive Proof
 - a. Gen. 15:6
 - i. Abram (Abraham) believed
 - ii. Abram saved by faith
 - 1. Eph. 2:8-9
 - iii. Salvation always by faith—Hebrews 11
 - iv. Blessings of Abraham
 - 1. National pride in Abraham
 - 2. Being physical son equals being spiritual son

- a. Wrongly interpreted
 - i. Gen. 12:2-3—Gen. 17:10—Lev. 12:3
- 3. All nations must first become Jewish
 - a. Signs that mark them
- 4. Important events omitted/ignored
 - a. Gen. 15:6—Deut. 10:16 (Jer. 4:4)
 - b. Rom. 2:28-29
- IV. Negative Proof
 - a. Cursed-Deut. 27:29-28:1
 - b. Must do all the law
 - i. Not just 10 commandments; 613 Jewish laws
 - Torah: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy
 - c. Law points out sin and curse
 - i. Rom. 3:20
 - ii. Rom. 6:23
 - d. Law is not faith—Rom. 1:16-17
 - e. Righteous live by faith—Hab. 2:4
- V. Positive Hope in Christ—Deut. 21:22-23
 - a. Answer is Christ
 - b. Christ redeemed us from the curse
 - i. Became curse for us
 - ii. Hanging on a tree
 - iii. Just
- VI. How where the Galatians seduced
 - a. Gal. 3:1—bewitched, spellbound—facinated
 - i. Appeals to sense of self
 - ii. Not about us
 - iii. Christ settled the account
 - b. Signs of our new nature
 - i. 2 Peter 1:5-8
 - 1. Be partakers of the divine nature
 - 2. Saved by grace through faith
 - 3. Live by grace—through faith