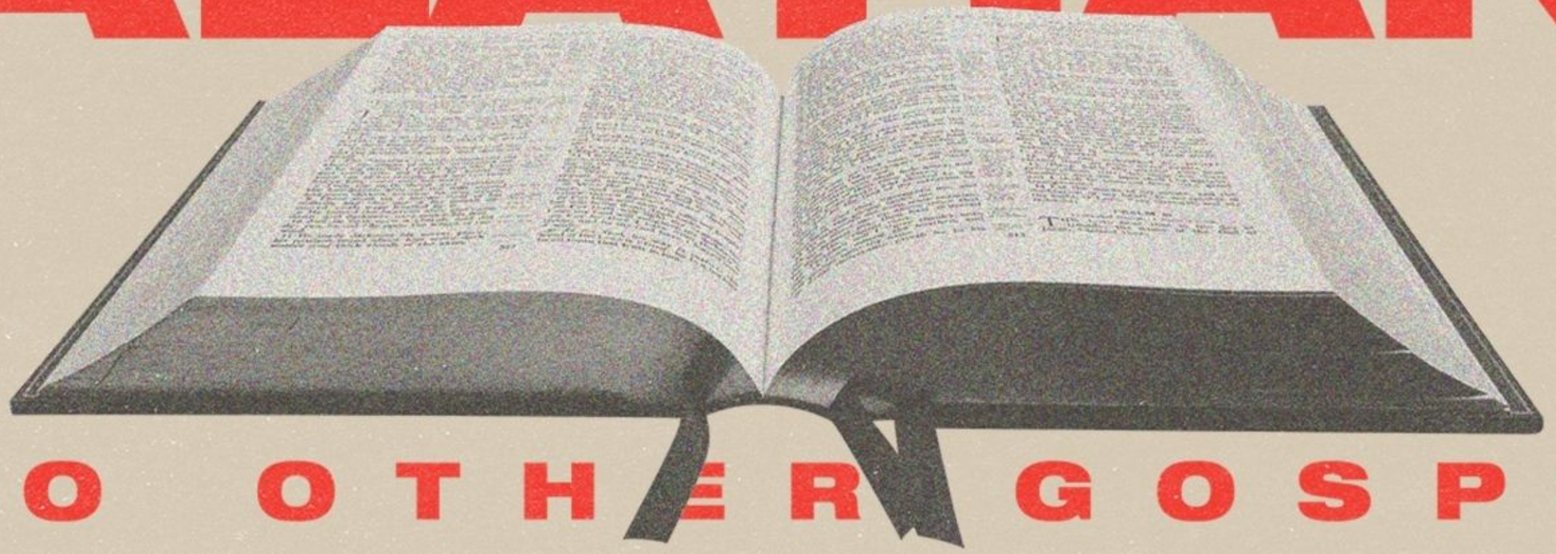
GALATIANS



NO OTHER GOSPEL

A Short Review

Galatians 2:21 (NASB95)

21 “I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness comes through the Law, then Christ died needlessly.”

A Short Review

1 Corinthians 15:10 (NASB95)

10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God with me.

Walk by the Spirit! (Part 2)



What is Your Life Producing?



Galatians 5:16-18 (Last week’s text)

16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not
carry out the desire of the flesh. 17 For the flesh
sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit
against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one
another, so that you may not do the things that you
please. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are
not under the Law.

Galatians 5:19-21 (NASB95)

19 Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which
are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, 20 idolatry,
sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of
anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, 21 envying,
drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of
which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you,
that those who practice such things will not inherit
the kingdom of God.

Types of Deeds of the Flesh

1. Sexual Sins

2. Spiritual Sins

3. Relational Sins

4. Sins of Excess

Satan offers “IMPOSTERS or COUNTERFEITS”

We must emphasize that the negatives only highlight the <u>importance</u> of the positive side of these things.

The negative deeds, turned around and doing the opposite, have a positive outworking which is part of “Walking in the Spirit”

Introduction (From last week)

We have a command to walk by the Spirit.

1. Paul does not say to “try harder”.

2. Victory over the flesh does not come by greater self-effort. We know that doesn’t work.

3. Victory comes by daily surrender to the Holy Spirit which is the foundation of walking in grace.

Introduction

Paul says the deeds of the flesh are evident or obvious.

The flesh never stays hidden - eventually it produces visible works or deeds.

Sin starts in desires, thoughts, attitudes, and appetites, but if continually fed, it eventually produces behavior.

What we feed privately eventually shows publicly.

Introduction

What is filling your sails?

Which side of the Bridge of Sanctification are you feeding?



Feeding the spirit side



Feeding the flesh side

Spirit



1. Communication With God
2. Conscience

Flesh



1. Physical Senses
2. Appetites

Soul

Spirit

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2. Conscience



Soul

1. Intellect
2. Emotions
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Deeds of the Flesh

(Galatians 5:19–21)

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Fruit of the Spirit

Galatians 5:22–23

Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control.

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This human spirit is starving



This human spirit is fed godly food.

Introduction

Paul is saying, “There are two influences seeking to move our lives - the flesh and the Spirit.

Galatians 5:16–18 — What is filling you?

Galatians 5:19–21 — Here's what the flesh produces.

Galatians 5:22–23 — Here's what the Spirit produces.

Introduction

What is the wind behind my life?





I. The Desire

The flesh wants control.

Galatians 5:17 - For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, …

II. The Evidence

Galatians 5:19–21 - Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, 21 envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, …

II. The Evidence

Sexual sins - immorality, impurity, sensuality

II. The Evidence

1. πορνεία (porneia) — “immorality”

A general umbrella term for sexual conduct outside of God’s design - marriage between a man and a woman.

Sex in marriage is holy. Sex in marriage can be considered worship to the Lord.

The command in 1 Cor. 7 is to only be apart for prayer and fasting and then the couple is to come back together.

This is why satan seeks to pervert.

II. The Evidence

2. ἀκαθαρσία (akatharsia) — “impurity”

The word literally means uncleanness, impurity, or filthiness.

If porneia points to the sinful act, akatharsia points to the moral condition, the inner pollution, the uncleanness of thought, desire, imagination, motive, or character.

II. The Evidence

Porneia is the deed; akatharsia is the dirty heart atmosphere that produces the deed.

God is not only concerned with sinful acts, but also with the inner uncleanness that feeds them.

II. The Evidence

3. ἀσέλγεια (aselgeia) — “sensuality”

It refers to unrestrained sensuality, debauchery, licentiousness, or shameless self-indulgence.

This is not merely temptation, and not merely desire. It is desire that has thrown off restraint and no longer cares what anyone thinks — including God.

A person marked by aselgeia is not simply falling into sin; he is brazen, open, reckless, and without moral restraint.

II. The Evidence

3. ἀσέλγεια (aselgeia) — “sensuality”

Aselgeia is sin with the brakes removed.

It is not only doing wrong, but doing wrong without shame

In other words, the flesh does not stop with temptation. It moves from sinful acts, to inner corruption, to open shamelessness.

II. The Evidence

“The Spirit wants to do more than change what you do; He wants to change what you want.”

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Spiritual Sins - Idolatry and sorcery

- Idolatry is not merely bowing before a statue. An idol is anything that takes the place in our lives that belongs to God.
- What do I look to for what only God can truly give me, security, identity, significance, peace and control?

II. The Evidence

The flesh doesn’t always reject worship;
sometimes it simply redirects worship.

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Relational Sins - Hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions, and envy.

- Paul spends a huge portion of this list talking about **how we treat other people**.
- We can appear morally disciplined and still be deeply fleshly in the way we treat other people.
- What if the greatest evidence of carnality is not what happens in private, but in how we behave when someone disagrees with us?

II. The Evidence

Sins of uncontrolled appetite

- Drunkenness, Carousing (orgies) “And the like.”
- This is not meant to be an exhaustive list
- What appetite is demanding to be satisfied rather than submitted to Christ?

III. The real issue is who is governing your life?

The question isn’t merely: “Have I ever committed one of these sins?”

The real question is: “Which nature am I continually yielding myself to?”

The flesh has desires - v .17

Those desires produce works or deeds - vv. 19-21

The Spirit produces fruit - vv. 22-23

Conclusion

Galatians 5:21 (NASB95)

21 … and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

The key word is practice. Practice is regularly doing something with intention and forethought. It has a date set because it is valued more than obeying God.



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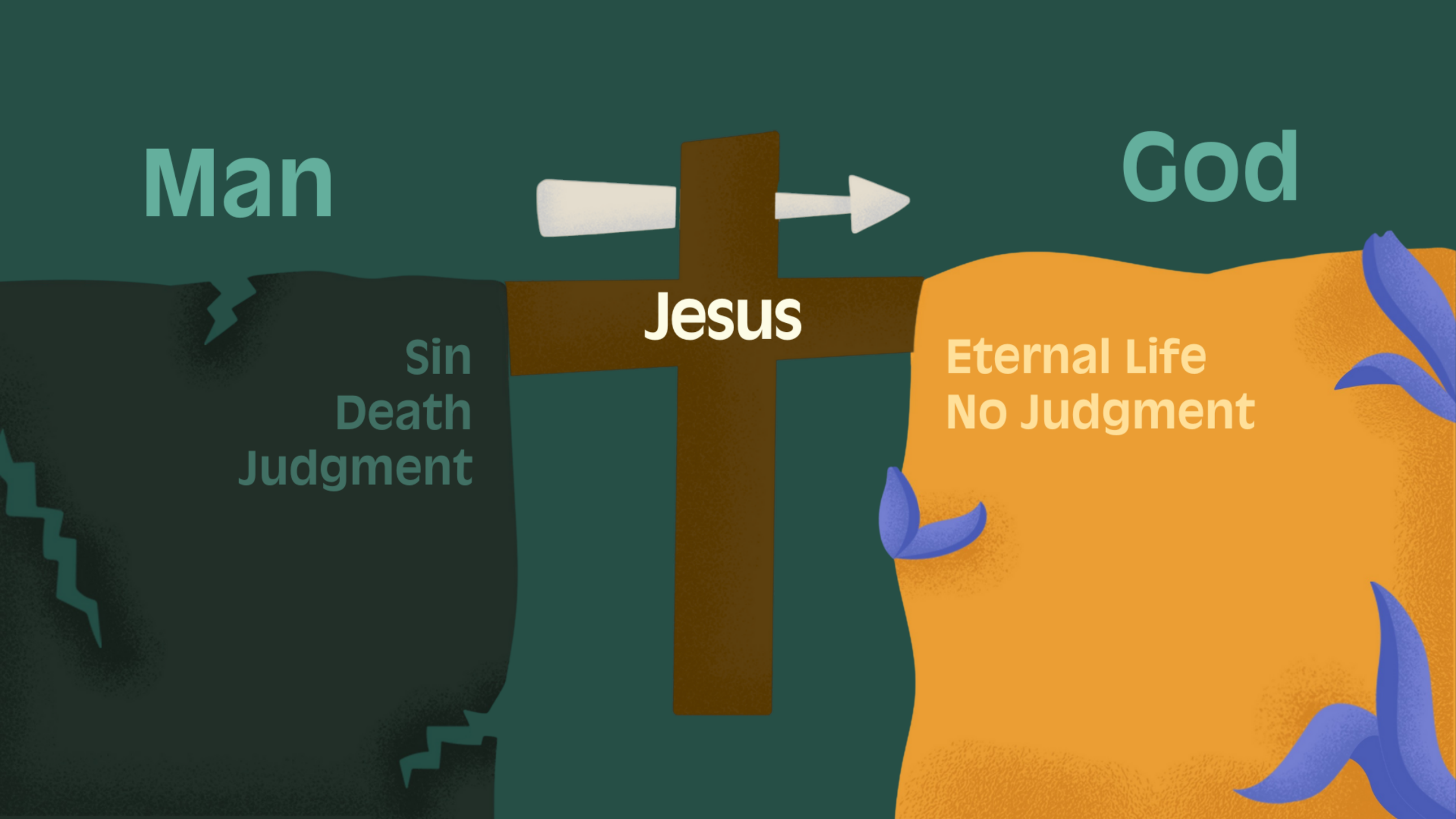
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Man
God
Jesus
Sin
Death
Judgment
Eternal Life
No Judgment

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