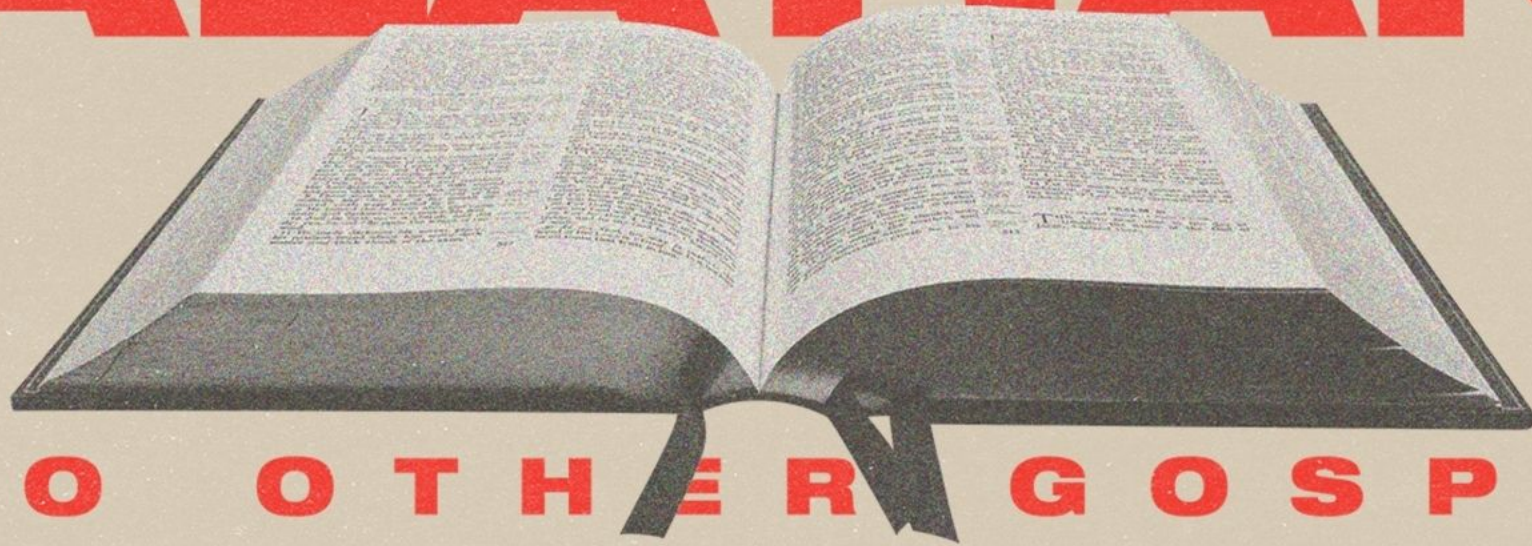


GALATIANS



NO OTHER GOSPEL

An open notebook is shown against a dark wooden background. The left page is a light-colored, textured paper with seven handwritten entries in cursive script, each crossed out with a horizontal line. The entries are: "Kept the commandments", "Gave to charity", "Went to church", "Avoided sin", "Served faithfully", "Prayed daily", and "Loved others". The right page is a ledger titled "HEAVENLY LEDGER" and "ACCOUNT OF GRACE" in gold capital letters. It includes a volume number "VOL. 1" in the top right corner. The ledger has three columns: "DATE", "DESCRIPTION", and "BALANCE". The word "RIGHTEOUS" is printed in large, bold, gold capital letters in the center of the ledger. Below it, the phrase "CREDITED IN FULL" is printed in gold capital letters. A red circular stamp with a gold cross in the center and the words "PAID IN FULL" around the border is located in the bottom left of the ledger. To the right of the stamp, the text "Authorized by" is printed in gold, followed by the signature "Jesus Christ" in cursive script. At the bottom of the ledger, the text "LEDGER OF GRACE • ETERNAL RECORD" is printed in gold capital letters.

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Galatians 2:20-21

²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me. ²¹ I do not treat the grace of God as meaningless. For if we could be saved by keeping the law, then there was no need for Christ to die.

Galatians 3:1-9

¹You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? Did God not open your eyes to see the meaning of Jesus' crucifixion? Was he not revealed to you as the Christ? ²Let me ask you this one question: Did you receive the Holy Spirit by trying to keep the Jewish laws? Of course not, for the Holy Spirit came upon you only after you heard about Christ and trusted him to save you. ³After starting your new lives in the Spirit, why are you now trying to become perfect by your own human effort [the flesh]? ⁴Have you suffered so much for the Gospel for nothing?

⁵I ask you again, does God give you the power of the Holy Spirit and work miracles among you because you obey the law? Of course not!

It is because you believe the message you heard about Christ.

⁶Abraham had the same experience-God credited him as righteous only because he believed in God. ⁷Understand, then, that those who have faith are children of Abraham. ⁸And the Scripture prophesied that God would justify the Gentiles by faith. God told Abraham about this long ago when he said, “I will bless those in every nation who trust in me as you do.” ⁹So then those who are people of faith are blessed and favored by God along with Abraham.

Rapid Fire Questions

- Who bewitched you?
- Wasn't He revealed to you as the Christ?
- Under what circumstances did you receive the Holy Spirit?
- Why are you trying to return to "earning your salvation" by the flesh?
- Has all your suffering for the true Gospel been for nothing?
- Did you receive the power of the Holy Spirit to perform miracles by works, or by your faith?

2 Corinthians 5:21

For God took the sinless Christ and poured into him our sins.
Then, in exchange, he poured God's goodness into us!

Romans 4

³Listen to what the Scriptures say: Because Abraham believed God's words, his faith transferred God's righteousness into his account. ⁴Now to the one who works, wages are not credited as a gift but as an obligation. ⁵But no one earns God's righteousness. It can only be transferred when we no longer rely on our own works, but believe in the one who powerfully declares the ungodly to be righteous in his eyes. It is faith that transfers God's righteousness into your account!

10 Under what circumstances was it credited? Was it after he was circumcised, or before? It was not after, but before!

¹⁸Against all odds, when it looked hopeless, Abraham believed the promise and expected God to fulfill it. He took God at his word, and as a result he became the father of many nations. God's declaration over him came to pass: "Your descendants will be so many that they will be impossible to count!" ¹⁹In spite of being nearly one hundred years old when the promise of having a son was made, his faith was so strong that it could not be undermined by the fact that he and Sarah were incapable of conceiving a child.

²⁰But Abraham never doubted. He believed God, for his faith and trust grew ever stronger, and he praised God for this blessing even before it happened. ²¹He was fully convinced that God is able to do whatever he promises. ²²This is why “it was credited to him as righteousness.” ²³The words “it was credited to him” were written not for him alone, ²⁴but also over us. For when we believe and embrace the one who brought our Lord Jesus back to life, perfect righteousness will be credited to our account as well. ²⁵He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

We declare today that we are in Christ, and therefore heirs of the promise given to Abraham. We align ourselves with the blessing spoken by God, fulfilled in Jesus, and applied to us by the Spirit.

We receive the blessing of righteousness by faith.

We receive the blessing of belonging to God's family.