

JESUS + NOTHING = EVERYTHING

A TEACHING SERIES IN GALATIANS

You'll Never Outgrow It

Galatians 3:1-14

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THE GOSPEL YOU SAW...THE GOSPEL YOU HEARD

- We're not only _____ and made right by faith in Christ, we are _____ and continually made new by our faith in Christ.
- Before the gospel tells you anything about what you must _____, it tells you what has been _____.

HUMAN EFFORT?

- Paul is linking the work of the Holy Spirit and the gospel in almost inseparable terms. The Spirit works as you _____ and use the gospel.

GOSPEL RE-DEPICTION

- The way to grow and move forward as a Christian is to continually repent and uproot those self-reliant systems in the very same way that we became Christians – by that vivid depiction (and re-depiction) of Christ's saving work for us, _____ our _____ - _____ efforts to complete ourselves.

MEET ABRAHAM

- This is faith _____ as righteousness. It is not _____ as righteousness.
- What matters is not being a _____ descendant of Abraham; what matters is being a _____ descendant of Abraham.

What does it mean to have faith like Abraham?

1. It means that saving faith is believing the _____ - _____.
2. Saving faith is faith in God's _____, not our _____.

ESCAPING THE CURSE

- Jesus was our _____. He received the _____ we earned so that we might receive the _____. He earned _____.

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You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? Before your very eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed as crucified. ² I would like to learn just one thing from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by believing what you heard? ³ Are you so foolish? After beginning by means of the Spirit, are you now trying to finish by means of the flesh? ⁴ Have you experienced so much in vain—if it really was in vain? ⁵ So again I ask, does God give you his Spirit and work miracles among you by the works of the law, or by your believing what you heard? ⁶ So also Abraham “believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.”

⁷ Understand, then, that those who have faith are children of Abraham. ⁸ Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: “All nations will be blessed through you.” ⁹ So those who rely on faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.

¹⁰ For all who rely on the works of the law are under a curse, as it is written: “Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law.” ¹¹ Clearly no one who relies on the law is justified before God, because “the righteous will live by faith.” ¹² The law is not based on faith; on the contrary, it says, “The person who does these things will live by them.” ¹³ Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: “Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole.” ¹⁴ He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.