

# Sermon Discussion Questions

Galatians-The Gospel of Grace – Matt Slocum  
10 September 2023  
Sermon Text: Galatians 1:1-24

## AGENDA

- People arrive, talk, snack, and icebreaker – 5 min
- Worship – 5-10 min
- Prayer/Ministry Time – 20 min
- Discussion Questions – 35-45 min

## PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME (20-30 min)

Ask for prayer requests. Ask for specific needs of group members.

## MESSAGE INTRODUCTION

This week we began a sermon series on the book of Galatians. Pastor Matt lets us know that Grace is the essential message of the Gospel. And as we move through the book of Galatians, we will continue to unpack the idea that the main goal of being a Christian is not to go to heaven, but that the Kingdom of Heaven has coming to earth. The church is meant to be a pocket of heaven on earth. Let's get started in Galatians with the message entitled, Galatians – The Gospel of Grace.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (35-45 min)

1. What is something that stuck out to you from the message this week?
  
2. With the understanding that we are to function as people who bring the culture of heaven to earth. How can we do that as a small group, as individuals, in our families, work environment, etc.?
  
3. We tend to leave the Gospel of Grace for more familiar structures of thought and behavior. Where are areas of your life where you see this happening? How can we consistently check ourselves to ensure our Gospel (good news) is the good news of grace?
  
4. Paul is clear there are other "gospels" that are false. Discuss these questions from the end of the message.
  - Does this Gospel cause me to fix my eyes exclusively on Jesus?
  - Does this Gospel empower me to overcome sin?
  - Does this Gospel release Joy and Peace?
  - Does this Gospel set free?

## Icebreakers

Pick one of the icebreaker questions below and go around in a circle (starting with the leader) and have everyone answer. (If you have new members or guests have each person introduce themselves.)

1. Do you decorate your house for Fall? Halloween?
2. When is the last time you roasted marshmallows over a fire and made s'mores?
3. What is one activity you would encourage everyone to try? Why?

## **APPLICATION**

Continue to think about these final questions this week and see if the Holy Spirit shows you any place in your life where you might fall short when answering any of these questions. Pray for the Holy Spirit to work in your life to keep you focused on the true gospel. The gospel of grace.

## **COMING UP**

To join a small group or find out more about what is going on at NWC, go to <https://nwckc.com> or the New Wine Church Community Group Facebook page. Study materials are also available on the website or Facebook page.

**Financial Peace University**, 5 Sep-14 Nov, Tuesday Evenings, 6-8 pm, New Wine Church, 7102 N. Prospect Ave, Gladstone, MO. Sign up at: <https://subspla.sh/b38mww2/>

**Spaghetti and a Show**, 17 September, 6-8 pm, 825 NE 79th Terrace, Kansas City, MO.

Get tickets at: <https://subsplash.com/newwinechurch/lb/ev/+cwr7dsx/register>

**Night of Worship**, 22 September, 7-8:30 pm, Oak Park High School, 825 NE 79th Terrace, Kansas City, MO

**Men's Retreat**, 13-14 October, New Wine Church, 7102 N. Prospect Ave, Gladstone, MO (more details to follow)

## **FINAL THOUGHT**

**If we want to step into a new reality, we need to leave the old one behind.  
We can't remain in both.**