

Sermon Discussion Questions

Galatians: Experiencing Grace – Matt Slocum

1 October 2023

Sermon Text: Galatians 3:1-7

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

If we allow ourselves to focus only on the truth of the gospel or focus only on the Spirit, we become unbalanced. This week Matt explores how we are supposed to worship in both Spirit and in Truth in his message, **Experiencing Grace**.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (35-45 min)

1. What is something that stuck out to you from this week's message?
2. The first four weeks of Galatians have focused on the concept of Grace. What specific thing has God been showing you about Grace? Has your understanding of Grace grown or changed in any significant way?
3. In Galatians 3:5-6, Paul reminds us that our experience with God is not based on our works (good behavior) but solely on God's gift of Grace. Have you ever struggled with believing that if you were a better person or Christian, God would do more miraculous, significant things in your life?
4. This week's message was about experiences with God. What experiences with God have you had in the past? Have you had any recent experiences with Him?

APPLICATION

Think about your spiritual life and consider if you might be unbalanced in your worship. (Focusing more on one element: Spirit or Truth). If your worship is unbalanced, try to think of some practical ways to bring it back into more balance. Share what you came up with in your small group.

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. If you could be an expert at any one thing, what would it be? Why?
2. What is the most interesting or unique pet you ever had?
3. What is the best piece of advice you have ever received?

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.

Men's Retreat, 13-14 October, New Wine Church, 7102 N. Prospect Ave, Gladstone, MO. For more information and to register, go to: <https://subsplash.com/newwinechurch/lb/ev/+h675tkg>

Baptisms, 12 November, 9 and 11 am, Oak Park High School, 825 NE 79th Terrace, Kansas City, MO. Baptism class will be held on 15 October at 1030 in the High School library. To sign up go to: <https://nwckc.com/baptism?sapurl=Lytxdm56L2xiL2NhLy0Y2ZoZmN4P2VtYmVkJmJyYW5kaW5n>

FINAL THOUGHT

We worship in Spirit and in Truth.