



Week 6 – Re-Tuning to the Gospel

ARRIVAL / CONNECTING and SNACK: (15 minutes) Spend time catching up and socializing with one another. Follow up on prayer requests and any action steps from your last time together.

SHORT OPENING PRAYER FOR YOUR TIME TOGETHER: (2 minutes)

SCRIPTURE: (10 minutes) We are reading a fairly large (for group time) passage of Scripture. Sometimes it helps everyone stay engaged if you switch readers every few verses or every paragraph. Open your Bibles to **Galatians 4**. Read the entire chapter slowly enough for everyone to enjoy and reflect quietly for a few moments. Keep your Bibles open as you talk. Re-read passages as appropriate.

OBSERVATION and REFLECTION: (30 minutes)

Galatians 4:1-11

- Someone in the group sum up or restate this in your own words.
- What does it look like to walk in the grace of Christ daily? (vv 4:4-7)

Galatians 4:12-20

- Look at verse 12 and look up **1 Corinthians 9:20-22**. How does Paul's approach in ministering to people compare to the approach of those preaching the law?
- How have you seen churches or individual Christians whose "gospel" is more like that of the Judaizers than the Gospel Paul preached? *(Be brief and don't turn this into a rant. The goal is for God to search our own hearts, show us any offensive way in ourselves, and lead us in the way everlasting. – Ps 139:23-24)*

Galatians 4:21-31

- Someone in the group, explain the analogy of Sarah vs. Hagar?
- What does it mean to be "children of promise" as believer's in Christ?

DISCUSSION: (30 minutes)

- Can you personalize the main theme Paul is driving towards in this chapter?
- In your relationship with God, do you ever mingle law and grace? Or have you in the past? Share a brief story if you are willing.

SURRENDER: (10 minutes)

- What is God specifically saying to you in light of today's discussion?

PRAYER: (10 min) Pray for one another and encourage each other forward in your journey of faith.