

GALATIANS 3:1-14

Galatians 3:1

*Oh, **foolish Galatians!** Who has cast an **evil spell** on you? For the **meaning of Jesus Christ's death** was made as clear to you as if you had seen a picture of his death on the cross.*

NOTES

Galatians 3:2-3

*Let me ask you this one question: Did you receive the Holy Spirit by obeying the law of Moses? Of course not! **You received** the Spirit **because you believed the message** you heard about Christ. How foolish can you be? After starting your new lives in the Spirit, why are you now **trying to become perfect** by your own **human effort**?*

We must know our own RESCUE STORY!

God's Presence came by GRACE not FEELINGS or WORK.

NOTES

Galatians 3:4

Have you experienced so much for nothing? Surely it was not in vain, was it?

Galatians 3:5

*I ask you again, does God **give you 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.*

Miracles happen

God's power comes by grace not works

The Message + FAITH = SALVATION

Galatians 3:6-9

*In the same way, "**Abraham believed** God, and God counted him as righteous because of his faith." The **real children of Abraham**, then, are **those who put their faith in God**. What's more, the Scriptures looked forward to this time when God would make the*

Gentiles right in his sight **because of their faith**. God proclaimed this good news to Abraham long ago when he said, "All nations will be blessed through you." So **all who put their faith in Christ** share the **same blessing** Abraham received **because of his faith**.

What really matters?

FAITH

Galatians 3:10-14

But those who **depend on the law** to make them right with God are **under his curse**, for the Scriptures say, "Cursed is everyone who does not observe and obey all the commands that are written in God's Book of the Law." [Deuteronomy 27:26] So it is clear that **no one can be made right with God by trying to keep the law**. For the Scriptures say, "It is through faith that a righteous person has life." [Habakkuk 2:4] This way of **faith is very different from the way of law**, which says, "It is through obeying the law that a person has life." [Leviticus 18:5] But **Christ has rescued us** from the curse pronounced by the law. When **he was hung on the cross**, he took upon himself the **curse for our wrongdoing**. For it is written in the Scriptures, "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree." [Deuteronomy 21:23] **Through Christ Jesus**, God has blessed the Gentiles with the **same blessing** he promised to Abraham, so that we who are **believers might receive the promised Holy Spirit** through **faith**.

Suspicious

Offended

Crazy Excited!

There's Blessing for YOU!

Now Live for HIM!

Talk about it

1. Who are some of the most influential people in your life? Why?
2. What's your rescue story? Where/when did you meet Jesus... for

real.

3. Why does it seem so hard to accept salvation by Grace and nothing more?

4. This week... Can you help someone understand the simple truth of grace and the gospel? Maybe connecting with someone who seems to have a complicated or poor picture of salvation.