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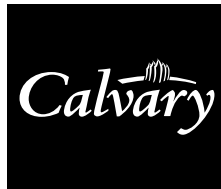
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I have been crucified with Christ.
It is no longer I who live,
but Christ who lives in me.
And the life I now live in the flesh
I live by faith in the Son of God,
who loved me and gave
himself for me.”

— GALATIANS 2:19–20



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Good News from God to Man *Galatians 1:11–24*

INTRODUCTION

Do you realize the Gospel is under attack?

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KEY POINTS

I. The Gospel is not of human origin (v. 11–12)

Where does the Gospel originate?

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Why are traditions and rituals sometimes misleading?

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Why were the false teachers trying to undermine Paul's authority as an apostle and the divine source of the Gospel?

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II. Paul's unique role in the proclamation of the Gospel (v. 13–14)

Why is Paul's background significant as he defends the Gospel against false teachers and legalism?

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After Paul's conversion, how did he learn more about the Gospel? And how does this support the divine origin of the Gospel?

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Have you received the Gospel and become a follower of Christ?

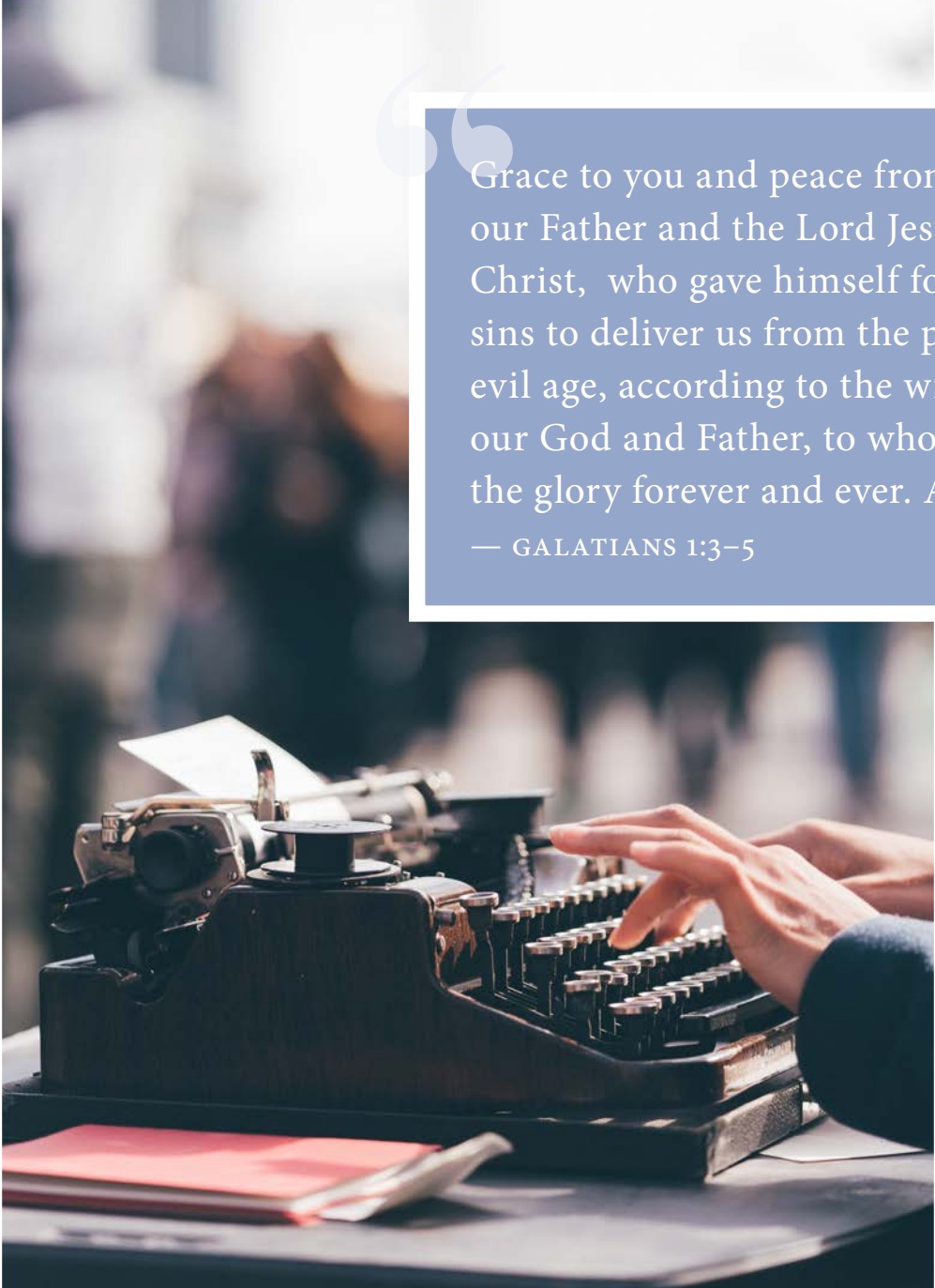
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What circumstances led to your discovery of the Gospel?

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How have you seen the transformation of the Gospel in your life?

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“Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.”

— GALATIANS 1:3-5

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Faith or Works *Galatians 3:1-9*

INTRODUCTION

The role of *works* versus *grace alone* was at the heart of the false teaching in Galatia, which Paul is strongly opposing.

KEY POINTS

I. The Holy Spirit in our lives proves we are justified by faith alone (v. 1-5)

Why is it "foolish" to think that our works are required for salvation?

What role does the Holy Spirit play in the lives of followers of Christ?

In a practical sense, what does it mean to live by faith? From whom does the desire and ability come?

II. The example of Abraham also proves we are justified by faith alone

Why was Abraham such a powerful and compelling example of justification by faith?



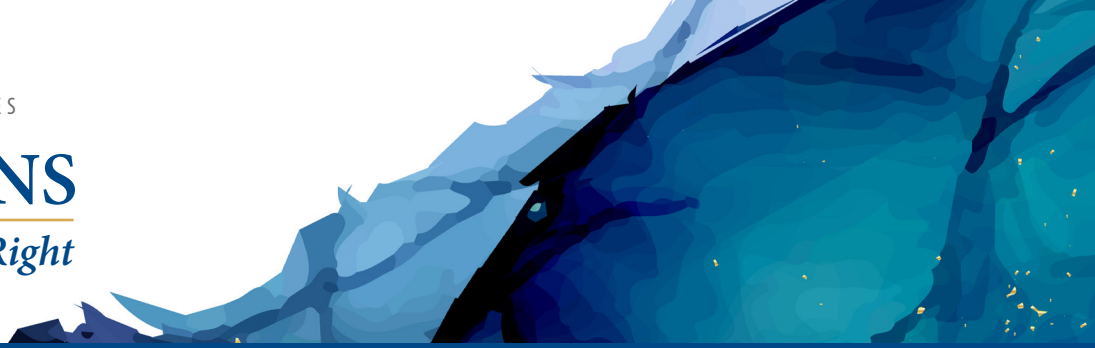
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Are you trying to live the Christian life in your own strength?

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Slaves or Sons *Galatians 4:1–11*

INTRODUCTION

When we are saved, we don't go back to our old way of life.

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KEY POINTS

I. The slavery of the past (v. 1–3)

Why does Paul use an analogy of children subject to the authority of guardians?

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How are we slaves to sin apart from the grace of God?

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II. The sonship of the present (v. 4–7)

How does Paul recap God's perfect plan of redemption?

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In what way is adoption a beautiful picture of our new relationship with God?

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What is the significance of the gift of the Holy Spirit?

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III. Don't go back, but enjoy the freedom of sonship (v. 8–11)

Why would it be so tragic for a believer to revert to life under the Law?

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Are you moving forward in your life with Christ?

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Are you living a life transformed by the Spirit and continuing to grow and mature?

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“You are all one
in Christ Jesus”

— GALATIANS 3:18

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Stand Firm Galatians 5:1–6

INTRODUCTION

Paul gives a practical summary of the impact of God’s grace in our lives and offers encouragement and a serious warning.

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KEY POINTS

I. Christ sets us free (v. 1)

How does Christ set us free?

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Why is approaching God through our own efforts pictured as “a yoke of slavery”?

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II. To return to works of the Law is to deny Christ (v. 2–4)

Why does adding works to the Gospel undermine the redemptive work of Christ?

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Can followers of Christ lose their salvation?

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III. Faith waits and works (v. 5–6)

What does it mean to “eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness”?

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What role should good works play in our lives?

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How are we able to live transformed lives and pursue a life which glorifies God?

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Do you approach following Christ as a life of freedom?

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Called to Freedom Galatians 5:7-15

INTRODUCTION

Spiritual freedom lies at the heart of the universal desire of all people to be free.

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KEY POINTS

I. Don't compromise true freedom (v. 7-12)

Why is it so important to reject and correct false teaching?

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II. Use your freedom wisely (v. 13-15)

What does it mean to exercise freedom in a responsible way?

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True freedom isn't _____.

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True freedom is _____

and the power to _____.

How are followers of Christ supposed to use our freedom?

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How are you currently using your freedom?

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What are some ways that you can use your freedom to serve others in love?

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INTRODUCTION

Often downplayed or misunderstood, the Holy Spirit plays a critical role in the life of the believer.

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KEY POINTS

I. The work of the Spirit in our conversion

Why do we need the Holy Spirit to convict us of our sin?

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How does the Holy Spirit dispel our spiritual and moral darkness?

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Why is true conversion a supernatural event?

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II. The work of the Holy Spirit in all authentic followers of Jesus Christ

What does it mean to “receive” or be “indwelt” by the Holy Spirit?
Who receives it? When do we receive it?

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Why is being “sealed” by the Holy Spirit so significant?

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What do we mean when we refer to the “baptism” of the Holy Spirit?

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Are you living a life in the Spirit?

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How has the Holy Spirit transformed your life as a follower of Christ?

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If we live by
the Spirit, let us
also keep in step
with the Spirit.”

— GALATIANS 5:25



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Caring for Others Galatians 6:1-5

INTRODUCTION

Living by the Spirit includes caring for one another.

Why does Satan love to isolate us?

KEY POINTS

I. When we bear the burdens of others, we are involved in spiritual restoration (v. 1)

How should we respond when one of our fellow believers fall into sin?

What is the concept of restoration?

How is restoration accomplished?

II. When we bear the burdens of others, we are fulfilling the Law of Christ (v. 2)

What does it mean to *bear the burdens* of others?

How is the Law of Christ different from the Mosaic Law?



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Have you given your burdens to Christ?

Are you involved in bearing someone's burden?

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But the fruit
of the Spirit is love,
joy, peace, patience,
kindness, goodness,
faithfulness,
gentleness,
self-control”

— GALATIANS 5:22

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"Where the Gospel is preached, the lives of men and women and boys and girls are transformed. Through His death and resurrection, Christ gives us peace with God, present power for living, and future hope for eternal life." — PASTOR JOHN H. MUNRO



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The Verdict is a daily and weekly radio program featuring the expository Bible teaching of Pastor John H. Munro.

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Each day on The Verdict, listeners are challenged to turn to the Bible and render a "verdict" as they consider their personal response to the truth of God's Word. John Munro presents a clear examination of Scripture, offering insight and application for all backgrounds, from those unfamiliar with the Gospel to mature believers following Christ.

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