

Deep Roots | Galatians 3:1-14 April 20th and 21st, 2024

My Story Questions

These questions/activities help the group know one another and transition to deeper discussion.

- 1) What is one of your go-to verses in the Bible? Why?
- 2) Who do you know that demonstrates the indwelling Spirit most often? How have you seen it?

Study Questions

Big Idea: The Indwelling Holy Spirit is how we begin and live a Gospel-centered life.

Warm-up: Was there anything in the LIO material that prompted a life change for you?

Read Galatians 3:1-5

Principle #1 Life in the Spirit begins by faith in Jesus.

- 1) Where is the Spirit mentioned in the first 5 verses? What do you learn?
- 2) How did the Galatians receive the Spirit? How did the Spirit work in you when you put your faith in Jesus?
- 3) Paul says the Spirit is supplied to those who hear with faith. What did you hear that enabled you to put faith in Jesus? Who shared the gospel with you?

Principle #2 We live each day trusting Jesus by the Spirit's power.

- 4) How were the Galatians confident that the Spirit was indwelling them? (Vs 5) What makes you confident?
- 5) How were they using the flesh to "perfect themselves" after beginning with the Spirit? Give some examples of how people slip into this type of error today.
- 6) How is your daily life impacted by the indwelling Spirit of God?
- 7) How is "Trusting God" more than believing everything will work out? What else does it mean to you?

Read Galatians 3:6-14

Principle #3 This was always the plan!

- 8) What was it that Abraham believed, and how did that make him righteous? (Gen 15:1-5) What's the common misconception about how people were "saved" in the Old Testament? What's the truth?
- 9) What do these three verses have in common - Gal 3:8, Jn 8:56, Gen 12:3. What elements of the gospel were revealed to Abraham? Why are those parts of the gospel significant to you?
- 10) What is the curse of the law? (Dt. 27:26, James 2:10)
- 11) How did Christ become the curse? (See Dt. 21:22-23 and 2 Cor. 5:21) Why did he do it? What does his substitution mean to you?
- 12) How does knowing "the gospel" has been the way of God for all time impact your day-to-day relationship with Him?

Responding to Jesus

Offer these questions for personal reflection before your group prayer time. Practice listening for God's voice.

- 1) Jesus, "How do I need to depend on your Holy Spirit?"
- 2) Jesus, "What do I need to trust you with today, this week?"