

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of September 26 & 27, 2020

Please use these questions to stay connected as a church to meditate on the same sermon preached from God's Word this week. May this be a fruitful time for the building up of our church and for the spread of the gospel.

Sermon Text

Galatians 2:15-21

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Summary

Justification before God comes by grace through faith. This is the central truth of the gospel. Unfortunately, the Jewish Christians in Galatia were being led astray to believe that justification before God came through faith in Jesus AND adherence to the Mosaic law. In today's passage, the apostle Paul continues his arguments against this false teaching by emphasizing that the Christian's only hope is through a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Discussion Questions

- 1. How does justification by grace through faith level the ground between Jews and gentiles, between rich and poor, between black and white, between all people everywhere?
- 2. Why can't obedience to a list of rules and laws, justify a person before God?
- 3. The only way the human heart can change is if a death occurs. Pastor Dan pointed out that our condition is so hopeless that you can't be reformed. In fact, Paul says, "I have been crucified with Christ. It is no

longer I who live but Christ who lives in me." What evidence is there in your life, that you have been crucified with Christ and it is no longer you who lives but Christ who lives in you?

- 4. How much do you believe that Jesus Christ loved you and gave Himself for you? Your degree of trust and faith and belief in God is directly proportional to how much you think He really loves you. How does the way you live your life reflect your understanding of Jesus' love for you?
- 5. Christians, define their lives by their relationship with the One who loves them so very much. What are some practical ways you can nurture your relationship with Jesus Christ?