# SERIES ON GALATIANS

# Law & Gospel

GALATIANS 3:15-22



# ORDER OF WORSHIP | October 6, 2024

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#### **SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION**

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

My All In Thee

#### CALL TO WORSHIP | Romans 8:5-8 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. 8 Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

#### **PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION**

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Ephesians 2:1-5 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved.

#### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

Grace

#### **PRAISE & CELEBRATION**

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

Just As Good Only A Holy God

#### KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - Kindergarten)

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

#### GREETING

#### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION**

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

#### PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, Founding & Teaching Pastor

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

#### **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

*The Apostles' Creed:* I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The ritual meal of Communion is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. That is, it symbolizes the work Christ did for our salvation (sign) and communicates the grace and mercy we have been given (seal) as a result of His death and resurrection.

#### SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

How Great Is Your Love

#### **BENEDICTION**

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace, both now and forevermore. Amen.

# **SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE**

Proclamation of God's Word Text: Galatians 3:15-22 (ESV) Title: Law & Gospel Teacher: Tim Rice

15 To give a human example, brothers: even with a man-made covenant, no one annuls it or adds to it once it has been ratified. 16 Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many, but referring to one, "And to your offspring," who is Christ. 17 This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void. 18 For if the inheritance comes by the law, it no longer comes by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise. 19 Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made, and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary. 20 Now an intermediary implies more than one, but God is one. 21 Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. 22 But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

INTRO: How does the relationship of the law to grace get difficult?

**THERE'S NO CONFLICT** 

Why is it unthinkable that God's Word would ever conflict with itself?

**BUT GRACE IS ALWAYS A GIFT** 

How is one principle greater than the other?

#### YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

- 1. Worship the LORD for His kindness to free sinners like us from our sin and wreckage. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that He takes people like us from prison to His palace as His children!
- 2. How have you lived blind to your captivity in sin, and really preferring this world than you would want to be with the Lord? Confess your sin and foolishness to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and heal your heart.
- 3. Give thanks to Jesus for bearing the curse we deserve in His death. And thank Him for His success in loving His Father perfectly, and giving us His Spirit so that we can become loving and faithful to His Father as a true son.
- 4. Who do you know that might try to live "a good life" but they do so in the power of their own effort? Pray for them, asking the Lord to open their eyes to their need for *Him*, and His saving grace.
- 5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love, joy and goodness. Pray for His help to live in light of the gift of His dwelling in you, trusting Him to enliven you to live out His design and will with joy and gratitude.

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# Communication

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## Seeing Jesus Together Seminar

October 25, 6-8:30p & October 26, 9a-12p Contact <u>Brown Peterson</u> for details.

## **Renew Polk Worship Service**

October 27, 5:30p at The King's Church Contact the church office for details.



Renew Polk worship service

# **2nd Grade Bible Presentation** October 27, during the first service.

Contact <u>Callie Sandman</u> for details.

## Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

October 7-12, 2024

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

Monday	Mark 12 Job 25	Joshua 14 Hosea 10
Tuesday	Mark 13 Job 26	Joshua 15 Hosea 11
Wednesday	Mark 14 Job 27	Joshua 16 Hosea 12
Thursday	Mark 15 Job 28	Joshua 17 Hosea 13
Friday	Mark 16 Job 29	Joshua 18 Hosea 14
Saturday	Psalm 93	Psalm 41 Psalm 135

# Scripture Memory for the Week:

# Galatians 3:21-22 (ESV)

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# **Office Hours:**

Mon - Fri | 8:30a - 5:00p Sunday Worship | 8:45a & 10:30a 301 N Florida Ave, Lakeland, FL 33801 863-603-7777 | <u>trinitylakeland.org</u>

# Mission

A city transformed: Loved by God the Father, saved by Jesus His Son, empowered by His Spirit, called by God to reach our city with His love.