

Finding Freedom - Week 1 - The Gospel

Galatians 1:1-10

Also: Galatians 5:1; Ephesians 2:4-10; Acts 16:30-31 (See last question, below)

Discussion Questions

1. What has challenged you, changed you or confused you from this week's sermon or the Scriptures in it?
2. What was the danger Paul was writing against in Galatians 1:6-10?
 - Did Paul think it was a serious offense?
 - Why or why not?
3. What are some ways that the Church today tends to add to the Gospel?
 - How would you tend to add to the Gospel?
 - Would you tend to add different things depending on who you're thinking of or talking to?
 - What is the danger in adding to the Gospel?
 - Do you take it as seriously as Paul did?
4. During the sermon, the statement was made that "A church will try to change you from the outside - in, but the Holy Spirit will change you from the inside - out."
 - Have you experienced a church trying to change your outward behavior rather than aiming for the heart?
 - How did that go?
 - What is the danger in doing that?
 - What about parenting? Does biblical parenting focus only on the outward behavior, or only the heart? Or should it be both?
 - What about the education system or the government? (These can be really big topics with lots of disagreement, so use at your discretion.)
5. Where do you have a tendency to weaken or add to the Gospel?

Spend some time reminding yourself of the truth of the Gospel. You can use one (or several, or all!) of the following Scriptures to help: Ephesians 2:4-10; Isaiah 53:5; Mark 10:45; John 3:16; Acts 10:43; 13:38-39; Romans 4:25; 5:8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-6; 2 Corinthians 5:19-21; 2 Timothy 2:8; Titus 2:14; 3:4-7; Hebrews 9:28; 1 Peter 2:24; 3:18; 1 John 4:10.