

“Don’t Mess with the Message”

Galatians 1:1-5

Galatians 2:16 know that a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So, we too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified.

Justification is the judicial act of God whereby He declares righteous the believing sinner at the moment of salvation.

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“This is the truth of the gospel. It is the principal article of all Christian doctrine ... it is most necessary, therefore, that we should know this article well, teach it unto others, and beat it into their heads continually.” – Martin Luther

BEAT IT



GALATIANS

This letter stirred the fires of the Protestant Reformation.

1. Martin Luther said, "the little book of Galatians is my letter; I have betrothed myself to it; it is my wife."
2. John Wesley said he found lasting peace from a sermon on Galatians.

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A study by Ligonier Ministries and LifeWay Research revealed that 43% of US evangelicals believe Jesus was a great teacher, but he was not God.

In our society, we use the same vocabulary, but we have a different dictionary.

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Galatians 1:1 Paul, an apostle—sent not from men nor by a man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead—² and all the brothers and sisters with me,

To the churches in Galatia:



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³ Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴ who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, ⁵ to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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- We have a sin problem

Romans 7:24 What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death?

Paul's Letter to the Galatians

I'm free! I'm free!

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- We live in an evil age

Paul's Letter to the Galatians

THE *God*
OF THIS AGE HAS
BLINDED
THE MINDS OF
UNBELIEVERS
2 CORINTHIANS 4:4

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- We need to be rescued

Colossians 1:13 For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves,¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.



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- Jesus gave himself to save us

