

Engage Bible Study Guide Session 4 | Galatians 3:1-25 | September 28, 2020

>> OPEN

- What family rituals, practices, traditions, inherited traits, blessings, curses encourage you to repeat the past?
- Think of one family tradition that you observed as a young person that, moving into adulthood, you were ready to let go. What was that? Was it difficult or easy to release?

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- What are some ways people seek right standing with God other than the way of grace through faith? Why are these ways tempting?
- How was Abraham a representative of the faith way of salvation even though he lived almost two thousand years before Christ? When did God initiate the faith way of salvation?
- When did God decide that salvation should not be given only to Jews but also to Gentiles?
- How does the law lead us to Christ?
- What does it mean that we are all one in Christ? What distinctions have been extinguished? Which distinctions still remain true?

>> APPLY

- Our lives are filled with powerful little moments that define who we are based on a host of external expectations that we've internalized about how we measure up, what we do, or more often than we'd like to admit—what we're unable to do. We often slip into the practice of comparing ourselves with others and we play the "If Only" Game: If only we were taller, shorter, thinner, faster, stronger, smarter, kinder, better. We go through each day measuring ourselves against others—most of the time we don't even realize we're doing it. It's crazy. Why do we do this? How would you help someone break free of this practice?
- The Law brings condemnation and death. But God's grace in Christ brings redemption, salvation, life and more life. How do you know that to be true?