

Your Works vs God's Work **Galatians 3:1-9 / Sunday, July 1st**

- 1.) The big lie: "You have to become a _____ before you can become a Christian".
- 2.) Where is the balance between grace & law? Where is the balance between receiving a gift and paying for a gift? There is none! If you _____ for it, it's not a gift!
- 3.) Righteousness (being right before God) is a _____ received through _____ in Christ!
- 4.) It wasn't that Abraham just believed "in God". Abraham "believed God". Those who only believe in God, in the sense that they believe He exists, are only as spiritual as _____.

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Growth Group Discussion Questions (Complete at home on separate sheet of paper if needed)

- 1.) What do you know about the other world religions? What's the difference? How do you see Christianity as set apart from the rest?
- 2.) Do you know a person belonging to a different religion? Have you ever tried to share your faith with them? What has been your experience? What seems to be your biggest obstacle?
- 3.) What was the Apostle Paul's greatest obstacle in dealing with the legalistic Jews of his day? What might be the modern-day equivalence to this?
- 4.) Read Sunday's text (Galatians 3:1-9). Identify Paul's five questions he asks the Galatian believers here and discuss what the appropriate answers should be.
- 5.) The quotation from Genesis 15:6 is one of the clearest expressions in the Old Testament of the truth of salvation by grace, through faith alone. It is the gospel in the Old Testament, quoted four times in the New Testament (Romans 4:3, Romans 4:9-10, Romans 4:22 and here in Galatians 3:6). Look up and discuss the meaning behind these verses in their context.
- 6.) Is there anything in today's text that troubles or confuses you? Discuss.