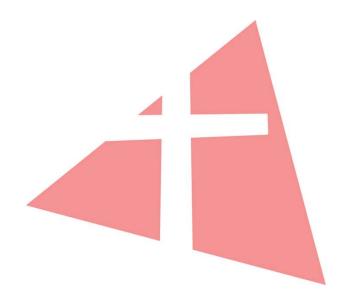
# BEING GALATIAN OR BEING ABRAHAM?

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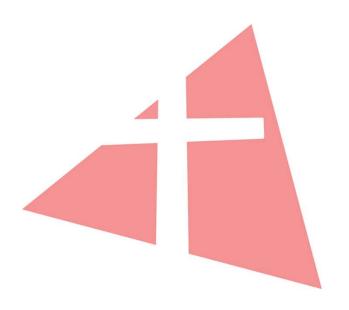
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# **TODAY'S FOCUS**

• Being Galatian or Being Abraham?



# THE GALATIAN CHURCH

Church of Jewish people who believed that the OT law was still binding

#### THE FOOLISH GALATIANS

**Galatians 3:1** O foolish Galatians, who has bewitched you, that you should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ has been openly set forth, crucified among you?

#### THE WORKING OF THE SPIRIT

Galatians 3:2-5 This only would I learn of you, Received you the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Are you so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are you now made perfect by the flesh? Have you suffered so many things in vain? if it be yet in vain. He therefore that ministers to you the Spirit, and works miracles among you, does he it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

# **ABRAHAM**

Galatians 3:6 Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.

#### **ABRAHAM**

**Galatians 3:7-9** Know you therefore that they who are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In you shall all nations be blessed. So then they who are of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

#### THE LAW

Galatians 3:10-12 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continues not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them. But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith. And the law is not of faith: but, The man that does them shall live in them.

#### **CHRIST'S WORK**

**Galatians 3:13-14** Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangs on a tree: That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

#### THE LAW

Galatians 3:15-18 Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannuls, or adds thereto. Now to Abraham and his descendant were the promises made. He says not, And to descendants, as of many; but as of one, And to your descendant, who is Christ. And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before by God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of no effect. For if the inheritance is of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise.

#### THE LAW

Galatians 3:19-25 Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the descendant should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator. Now a mediator is not a mediator of one, but God is one. Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law. But the scripture has consigned all under sin, that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe. But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed. Therefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. But after faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

#### **FAITH ALONE**

Galatians 3:26-29 For you are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then are you Abraham's descendants, and heirs according to the promise.

### **DO OUR WORKS NOT MATTER?**

James 2:24 You see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

- Our works are evidence of Faith
  - Our works show that we are already right with God
- We cannot use our works as a means to believe that we are right with God

# **BEING GALATIANS**

• Anytime I think that I will get something from God because of what I'm doing!

#### WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

#### How can I know the difference between

- Doing good works because I am right with God?
- Doing good works in order to get something from God?

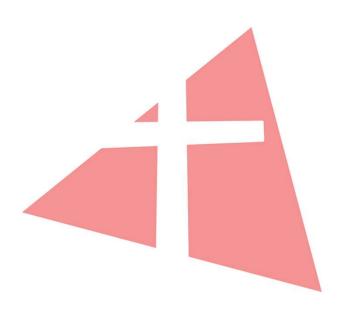
**Psalms 139:23-24** Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

# THE POWER OF THE CROSS

• The Power of the Cross is only available by Faith, not by our works!

# WHAT DOES THIS HAVE TO DO WITH HEALING?

• We will only receive "Inner Healing" by Faith



# RECEIVING HEALING

- Let's stop trying to "earn" anything from God
- Let's simply accept God's gifts, and live in them

