

the work of the Holy Spirit in us

Galatians 5

This discussion guide includes preparation BEFORE the group and some guidance DURING the group meeting. Preparation before the group will help you, your leader, and your group to engage and respond to the living and active Word of God.

PREPARATION BEFORE THE GROUP MEETS:

The aim of this preparation is to encourage good & prayerful observation of the text of God's word and the joyful experience of discovering its truth.

Pray & read Galatians 5

What strikes you about this reading?

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Do you have any questions about this reading?

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How does this reading make you feel?

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What do you think in response to this reading?

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What will you do in response to this reading?

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WHEN THE GROUP MEETS: Pray for your discussion time

read Galatians 1.6-10

- What is the problem in the church at Galatia that Paul is so concerned about?

read Galatians 2.11-21

- How were the Galatians tempted to turn away from the gospel of Jesus?

read Galatians 4.8-20

- What are the symptoms of being enslaved again by laws and rituals?

read Galatians 5.1-15

- What does the Holy Spirit set us free **from**?

read Galatians 5.16-26

- What does the Holy Spirit set us free **for**?

- Why do you think following traditions and laws is attractive to us?

- What traditions or laws could you be at risk of putting in the place of the Gospel? Have you seen this happen? When are you tempted to think someone **must do** something to be Christian?

- Discuss the evidence of the Holy Spirit in your life based on the fruit He is producing in you. Is there any particular fruit of that fruitful harvest that you would like to partner with the group and the Holy Spirit in producing in your life?

PRAY! For the work of the Holy in you and each other to produce good fruit