

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
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Galatians 3:1-22

1. What had happened to the Galatians after they believed in Christ for salvation?
 - a. They were “bewitched”.
 - b. They started worrying about the law rather than continuing to trust in Christ.
 - c. They had changed the focus of their faith from being close to God to doing the things that they thought Christians should be doing.

2. How had they received the Spirit, according to verses 2-6? _____

3. What, according to verse 3, would it be if, having received the Spirit by faith, they now tried to earn it by works? _____

4. In what way, according to verses 7-9, did God announce justification for Gentiles to Abraham (see also Gen. 12:3; 18:18; 22:18)? _____

5. What do verses 10-13 say about the curse of the law?
 - a. Because it is impossible to follow it all to the letter and if you rely on the law, but miss one piece, you have failed.
 - b. Even in the Old Testament (Habakkuk 2:4), it is said that the righteous live by faith.
 - c. Christ has redeemed us from it.

6. What, according to verse 14, does redemption mean for the Gentiles? _____

7. Which came first, according to verses 17, the law or the covenant? _____
Which, then, takes precedence? _____
How did this promise/covenant with Abraham, then come to the Gentiles, according to verses 16? _____

8. What, then, according to verses 19-20, was the purpose of the law?
 - a. To keep people from straying too far until Christ fulfilled the covenant.
 - b. To let us know that we had strayed from God’s promise (Romans 7:7).
 - c. The law is for those who are not yet living according to the promise (1 Timothy 1:9).

9. Is the law, then, opposed to the promises of God, according to verse 21? _____

10. Can the law impart life, according to verse 21?
 - a. Yes! When somebody tells me what I can and can’t do, I feel so alive!
 - b. No, it makes me feel oppressed and helpless.
 - c. No, I feel helpless to live up to the standards of the law.

11. Do you have life, or are you still in bondage to the law? _____
