

1. The foolish Galatians

- a) Galatians 3:1–5
- b) How could we fall into the same trap of trusting in our works of law rather than faith in Jesus?
- c) Why is it so important to fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith? Hebrews 12:2

2. The importance of Scripture

- a) Galatians 3:6–9
- b) Romans 9:17
- c) 2 Timothy 3:16–17
- d) 2 Peter 3:14–16
- e) Galatians 3:6–14
 - i) Genesis 15:6, 12:3
 - ii) Leviticus 18:5
 - iii) Deuteronomy 21:23, 27:26
 - iv) Habakkuk 2:4
- f) What can we learn about Paul’s view of Scripture from this teaching to the Galatians?

3. Reckoned as righteous

- a) Why do you think that Paul first appeals to Abraham to validate his gospel message? Galatians 3:6; Genesis 15:6
- b) Abraham’s faith in God led to obedience.
- c) Think of times when Abraham didn’t obey God. Was he lost at those times?

- i) Lied about Sarah, Genesis 12
- ii) Took Hagar as a wife, Genesis 16

- d) If we are justified by faith, what should we do if we fall into temptation and disobey God?

- i) 1 John 2:1
- ii) 1 John 1:9

4. The Gospel in the Old Testament

- a) Genesis 12:1–3
- b) Other examples in the Old Testament of salvation as a gift of grace received by faith:
 - i) Zechariah 3:1–4
 - ii) Numbers 21:4–9

5. Redeemed from a curse

- a) Galatians 3:9–14
- b) Everyone trying to gain righteousness by works of the law is under a curse.
- c) How did Christ deliver us from that curse?
 - i) Galatians 3:13
 - ii) 2 Corinthians 5:21
 - iii) 1 Peter 2:24

6. Discussion question

- a) Why do so many struggle with the teaching of salvation by grace alone through faith alone?

