

Sermon Discussion Questions

Galatians 3:10-14 // Redeemed from the Curse

- Paul says those who are "of faith" in 3:9 are blessed, and those who are literally "of works of the law" in 3:10 are under a curse. What do you think of when read "cursed"?
- Have you ever "cursed" someone for not living up to God's standards? Have other ever cursed you because you didn't measure up?
- According to 3:10, why are those who are "of works of the law" under a curse?
- Paul elsewhere affirms that God's law is good, right, and holy. How does it become a curse for us, then? What does it mean to "rely on" works of the law?
- What laws or practices do we tend to make boundary markers for who's "really" a Christian? What does Paul say in 3:11 is the only basis for being justified or righteous before God?
- How did Jesus become a curse for us (3:13)?
- Pastor Jeff said one definition of grace is "giving people space to not be me." How does faith in Jesus redeem us from the "curse of the law"?
- What performance-based fear or pride do you need Jesus to redeem in your life?
- How does faith in Jesus' sacrifice for you change how you look at or measure other people's performance?
- What is the "blessing of Abraham" that comes to us through faith in Jesus (3:14)?

• Paul says that Jew and Gentile alike are part of one family because we have all received the promised Holy Spirit. How has the Holy Spirit demonstrated his presence and work in your life to assure you that you belong to Jesus? How have you seen the Spirit's work in others?

