

# Sermon Scavenger Hunt

## Galatians 1:13-2:10



**T**hink about it...Have you ever heard distorted, false versions of the gospel? How did you discover the distorted version was incorrect?

**S**ermon Scavenger Hunt Questions...Listen to the sermon to discover answers to the following questions. Submit your answers for a prize!

1. True or False. Galatians is all about our freedom from having to earn our salvation and the amazing truth we are saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.
2. Despite being a really good monk, Martin Luther never found peace in righteous acts. What truth finally brought Luther peace and set in motion his spiritual awakening?
3. Name one interesting fact about John or Charles Wesley.
4. How have you tried to earn God's approval? Did you know that in Christ we are free from earning God's approval by our works because we already have God's approval through Jesus Christ! How does this truth change your motivation for good works?
5. Read Galatians 1:13-24.

*<sup>13</sup> For you have heard of my previous way of life in Judaism, how intensely I persecuted the church of God and tried to destroy it. <sup>14</sup> I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people and was extremely zealous for the traditions of my fathers. <sup>15</sup> But when God, who set me apart from my mother's womb and called me by his grace, was pleased <sup>16</sup> to reveal his Son in me so that I might preach him among the Gentiles, my immediate response was not to consult any human being. <sup>17</sup> I did not go up to Jerusalem to see those who were apostles before I was, but I went into Arabia. Later I returned to Damascus.*

*<sup>18</sup> Then after three years, I went up to Jerusalem to get acquainted with Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days. <sup>19</sup> I saw none of the other apostles—only James, the Lord's brother. <sup>20</sup> I assure you before God that what I am writing you is no lie.*

*<sup>21</sup> Then I went to Syria and Cilicia. <sup>22</sup> I was personally unknown to the churches of Judea that are in Christ. <sup>23</sup> They only heard the report: "The man who formerly persecuted us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy." <sup>24</sup> And they praised God because of me.*

6. In Galatians 1:11-12, Paul said the gospel message of salvation by grace alone through faith in Jesus Christ did not come from any man but by revelation from Jesus Christ. How does Paul's life goals before knowing Christ add weight to his claim that the gospel message he received was from God?

7. The Judaizers had a strong desire to uphold the Jewish customs and laws for all Christians in the first century, and Paul used to be like them. Share one interesting fact from Paul's conversion story.

8. Read Galatians 2:1-10.

*<sup>1</sup> Then after fourteen years, I went up again to Jerusalem, this time with Barnabas. I took Titus along also. <sup>2</sup> I went in response to a revelation and, meeting privately with those esteemed as leaders, I presented to them the gospel that I preach among the Gentiles. I wanted to be sure I was not running and had not been running my race in vain. <sup>3</sup> Yet not even Titus, who was with me, was compelled to be circumcised, even though he was a Greek. <sup>4</sup> This matter arose because some false believers had infiltrated our ranks to spy on the freedom we have in Christ Jesus and to make us slaves. <sup>5</sup> We did not give in to them for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might be preserved for you.*

*<sup>6</sup> As for those who were held in high esteem—whatever they were makes no difference to me; God does not show favoritism—they added nothing to my message. <sup>7</sup> On the contrary, they recognized that I had been entrusted with the task of preaching the gospel to the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been to the circumcised. <sup>8</sup> For God, who was at work in Peter as an apostle to the circumcised, was also at work in me as an apostle to the Gentiles. <sup>9</sup> James, Cephas and John, those esteemed as pillars, gave me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship when they recognized the grace given to me. They agreed that we should go to the Gentiles, and they to the circumcised. <sup>10</sup> All they asked was that we should continue to remember the poor, the very thing I had been eager to do all along.*

9. What are the names of the 3 original apostles Paul met with in Jerusalem? (Hint: Cephas is another name for Peter, see Gal 2:9).
10. What were the false teachers saying about the gospel? (Hint: See Gal 2:4)
11. Adding rules to the gospel, such as insisting converts receive circumcision, turned freedom in Christ back into slavery to the law. What was the name of the fellow Paul brought with him to Jerusalem to test the Jerusalem Christians' acceptance of true freedom in Christ?
12. True or False. If the Judaizers had their way, we would have to follow the Egyptian Law in order to become followers of Jesus.
13. A 2020 Barna study revealed that 52 percent of people who describe themselves as Christian believe a person can gain eternal salvation by "being or doing good." How have you been tempted to believe this, too?
14. Name one interesting fact that stood out to you about George Whitfield's life?
15. True freedom from sin and forgiveness is available to all who trust in Jesus Christ. You don't have to earn-your-salvation. Pray and ask God to help you remember you already have his approval in Christ!