

Discussion Questions for Message on 1-19-25

Two Paths – to God's Blessing or Curse.

Scriptures Referenced in Message: Gal. 3:6-14; ; Deut.27:26; Hab. 2:4; Lev.18:5; Eccles.7:20; Romans 3:10,23; James 2:10; 1 Peter 2:24; 2 Corinthians 5:21

OPEN: Choose one or more of these:

1. Was there ever a time when you were lost as you were driving or hiking? How did you get lost?
2. Did you ask for directions? Why or why not?
3. What are the best ways to keep from getting lost as you travel? Are there any parallels to that advice in the Christian's walk?

WORD

Intro: Galatians 3:6-14 shows the disaster that can happen when people go down the path of Lawkeeping in order to find righteousness or acceptance before God.

Read Galatians 3:6-14 together.

4. What part of this short passage impacts you the most, and why?

REFLECT: (choose some, skip some if you like)

5. In what ways do we sometimes try to earn God's favor by what we do?
6. What "Christian rules" seem to be important in your circles?
7. Why is it easier for Christians to live by rules and traditions than by faith?
8. What rules do you tend to follow, to assure yourself that you are walking with God?
9. When you are around others who live by a legalistic code of conduct, how does it make you feel? How do you think it makes the non-believer feel?

APPLICATION: In the future, how can you show courage in resisting well-meaning Christians who want to live by, or impose their own rules on others?