

Discussion Questions for 2/2/25 Message

Msg. #15 - The Life Lived under Grace -Galatians 5:5-6

Scriptures Referenced in Message: Galatians 5:5-6; Philippians 1:6; Hebrews 10:14; 6:17-20; 1 Peter 1:13; Romans 7:4-6; 1 John 3:2-3.

This Week's Text: Galatians 5:5-6 (NIV)

5 *But by faith we eagerly await through the Spirit the righteousness for which we hope.*
6 *For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.*

1. What contrasts do you see between the person who falls from Grace into Law-keeping (Verses 2-4), and the person who continues to walk under Grace? (Verses 5-6)
2. Romans 5:1 says that we who have believed have already been declared righteous ("Justified"). How would you explain the *apparent* contradiction between Romans 5:1, which says we have righteousness, and Galatians 5:5, which says we are waiting in faith and hope for righteousness?
3. What reasons do we have to wait for righteousness "eagerly"?
4. What do you think it means to "wait for righteousness in Hope"?
5. From verse 6 (and looking at the present context), how would you explain to someone how in Christ Jesus "neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value"?
6. (V.6) What does have value in Christs eyes?

7. How does verse 6 serve as an antidote to those who think their freedom in Jesus gives them a license to do anything they want?

8. What role does the Holy Spirit play in helping believers live a righteous life while waiting for their final righteousness?

9. (V.6) What are some practical ways believers can let their faith express itself through loving others?

10. How does 1 John 3:2-3 expand on Paul's description (v.6) of our "waiting"?

11. What is the thing you most eagerly await, when you think of entering your eternal future?