

† FREEDOM

A NINE-PART SERMON SERIES ON THE BOOK OF GALATIANS

DISCUSSION GUIDE WEEK 2 (October 12-18) THE TRUE SOURCE OF THE GOSPEL

WELCOME.

Welcome to our DGroup! This is week 2 of our series, FREEDOM. This Thanksgiving Week, we take time as a nation to recall the goodness of God and thank Him for all the blessings we receive this year. One of the things we should always be grateful for is our salvation in Jesus.

WORSHIP.

Sing: *I THANK GOD (Elevation)*

WORD.

Introduction: The gospel comes from Jesus and is not subject to our opinions in the same way as other areas of our life. Instead of being influenced by our opinions, the gospel acts as an influencer of how we understand life and the world and learn to live and respond to everything according to the gospel that shapes us. In this passage, Paul asserts his apostolic authority, emphasizing that his gospel came directly from God, not from human sources.

Scripture: GALATIANS 1:10-24

Dig Deep into God's Word:

1. In verse 10, Paul begins by saying that his calling was not please people but to serve God. Discuss briefly what people-pleasing does and how that attitude could be a hindrance to preaching the gospel.
2. According to Paul, how did he receive the gospel? Read verses 11-12.
3. Why is it important that the gospel Paul preached was not of human origin?
4. In verses 13 to 24, Paul shares his personal journey of faith and how he became an apostle.
 - What was his life like before he became a follower of Jesus?
 - How did he come to know Jesus?
 - What did he do after he became a believer?
 - What does his testimony teach us about how God calls people into His service?

WORK.

Apply God's Word:

1. The source of the Gospel is God Himself. What does *1 Thessalonians 2:13* say about how we should receive it?
2. The goal of the Gospel is God's glory. What does *Ephesians 2:4-7* say about how the gospel changes our lives and how our lives play a part in the goal of the gospel? Read *Matthew 5:14-16*.
3. The message of the Gospel is salvation by grace through faith. It is His good news of salvation for humanity, and apart from it, there is no salvation. What does *Romans 1:14-17* say about our role in the gospel?
4. Who will you share the gospel with this week?