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Discussion Questions

Week of: September 20, 2026 // Sermon Text: Galatians 1:10-24

Sermon Overview

The gospel of rescue by grace alone is a gospel revealed by God alone.

Three lines of evidence:

- I. Paul's motivation: to serve Christ, not please people (v. 10)
- II. Paul's transformation: from persecutor to preacher (vv. 11-16a)
- III. Paul's isolation: he was taught by God, not the apostles (vv. 16b-24)

Ice Breaker

Have you ever seen a really dramatic change in someone? What did it look like?

Digging Deeper

Paul's motivation: to serve Christ, not please people (v. 10)

1. Brett preached, "Pleasing people, the fear of man, is one of the primary barriers to living in the freedom God intends for us. Proverbs calls it a snare, a trap."
Where does fear of man show up in your life right now? What would it look like to get free?

Paul's transformation: from persecutor to preacher (vv. 11-16a)

2. In verse 12, Paul wrote, "I received [the gospel message] through a revelation of Jesus Christ." God chose to reveal the gospel to Paul, and to us. **What does that say about the kind of person God is?**
3. Paul was an archenemy of the gospel before he was transformed. Jesus tells us to love and pray for our enemies. **Does anyone come to mind?**
4. Grace radically transformed Paul. **Are there any areas in your own life where you would like to see dramatic transformation?**

Paul's isolation: he was taught by God, not the apostles (vv. 16b-24)

5. God isolated Paul, sending him to the desert (Arabia), to teach Paul some important truths. **Has God ever isolated you, or sent you into some kind of a “desert,” to teach you something? Are there any ways that He might be doing that in your life right now?**
6. Brett preached, “Now, faith is essential.... But it's not blind faith. We have reasons. There's evidence.” **What evidence for the truth of the gospel is most persuasive to you? Why is that?**

Prayer