

# Gospel Transformation

**Galatians 1:3-5** - Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>4</sup> who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, <sup>5</sup> to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**BIG IDEA:** We are made right and kept right with God by faith alone in the work of Jesus Christ alone empowered to live a life like Jesus by the Holy Spirit alone.

## I. The Gospel and God

### A. The will of the Father – Authoritative Source (1:1-5).

1. The Gospel was His plan (1:4).
2. This Gospel comes by His power (1:1, 5).
3. He calls people to Proclaim the Gospel (1:6, 12,15).
  - a. Paul as an Apostle (1:1,11-24)
  - b. Each of us by His grace (1:4,6)

### B. The work of the Son – Atoning Sacrifice (1:4; 2:16; 3:26).

1. It is only by His work that one is declared right with God (2:16).
2. It is only by His work that we have a demonstration of what “right with God” looks like (2:19-20)

### C. The work the Spirit – Active Sanctifier

1. The Spirit is involved from the beginning – regeneration (3:2-3).
2. The Spirit leads in ways that are opposed to the flesh (5:16-21).
3. The Spirit cultivates fruit in those sowing to Him (5:22-23; 6:8).

## II. The Gospel and us

### A. We have been warned with serious concerns that still apply today.

1. There are still others distorting the Gospel of Christ and God still condemns this teaching (1:7-9).
2. We cannot gain access, approval or acceptance from God by our works (1:4, 10; 2:16-21; 3:1-9,14,22-26; 5:5-6).

If we are still operating this way of “our works” then...

- a. This keeps me under the curse of the law (3:10).
  - b. This makes Christ of no advantage to me (5:2).
  - c. This severs me from Christ (5:4).
  - d. This takes me off the pathway of grace (5:4).
3. Pleasing man more than God results in bondage (1:10; 2:11-14).
  4. God is not to be taken lightly (6:7).
  5. Sowing to the flesh reaps corruption (6:8).

### B. We are encouraged by our calling as believers. WHY?

1. Grace is available.
2. Redemption is God’s plan.
3. Freedom is promised.
4. Incarnational living is possible and expected.
5. The Hope of righteousness is in sight
6. The Holy Spirit seals the deal leading us and empowering us.

## III. Where do we go from here?

### A. Our motivation is the cross. “He is worthy”

### B. Our mode of living must be crucified living.

When we have the proper motivation based in the person and work of Jesus Christ we can only respond with... “I will worship”

### C. Our mission should we accept – serve one another in love

“I will be a “witness of His love” for me by how I love others!”

**Conclusion:** Jesus plus NOTHING equals EVERYTHING. We are made right and kept right with God by faith alone in the work of Jesus Christ alone empowered to live a life like Jesus by the Holy Spirit alone. The Gospel Changes Everything!

Rescue Mission  
Galatians 1:3-5

