

The Gospel in Galatians Applied

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Galatians

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The Joy of Doing God's Will

- the Spirit is both the cause of our faith & result of our faith Tit 3:5-7; 1 Cor 6:19; Rom 8:11
- We are to live by faith in the Spirit Gal 5:16-17
- Live in the victory Jesus purchased for you!
- Live in the power that Jesus' Spirit guide you with!

The Joy of Life in the Spirit

Law Gal 5:1-12	License Gal 5:13-15	Life in Spirit Gal 5:16-25
I am ruled by law	I'm ruled by selfish desires	I'm ruled by the Spirit
I obey because I feel I ought to, even though I don't want to.	I don't obey because I don't want to.	I trust Christ as my Savior and Lord.
I replace Christ as my Savior	I replace Christ as my Lord	I trust Christ as my Savior and Lord
As a result, my freedom is lost because I'm ruled by the law.	As a result, my freedom is lost because I'm ruled by selfish desires.	As a result, my freedom is truly enjoyed because the Spirit enables me to choose what is good.

- Allow the Gospel to shape your thinking in everyday life!
- Remember you are an Adopted Son, NOT a slave
- Consider:

The Gospel & Human Authority:

The Gospel & Politics & Culture:

The Gospel & Human Dignity & Worth:

The Gospel & Dealing with Conflict:

The Gospel & Guilt:

We are the family of God as believers (Eph 2:19-22; 1 Jn 3:1-2) What does the Gospel show us as a church?

How we minister:

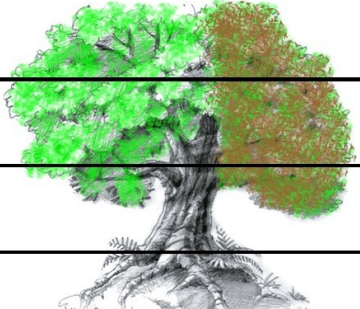
How we worship:

How do we keep this Gospel focus in life?

• Remember the 4 G's:

- God is Great, so I don't have to be in control.
- God is Glorious, so I don't have to fear others.
- God is Good, so I don't have to look elsewhere.
- God is Gracious, so I don't have to prove myself

From Fruit to Root Exercise: Gal 5:19-21 (unbelief); 22-25 (gospel)

Area of Unbelief or Struggle →	<i>Write or talk it out in all its gory detail</i>
What am I doing or experiencing right now?	
In light of that, what do I believe about myself?	
What do I believe God is doing or has done?	
What do I believe God is like?	

From Root to Fruit Exercise:

Area of Unbelief or Struggle →	
Who is God?	List as many things as you can about God's identity that relate to your area of unbelief or struggle: God is love, just, etc.
What has God done?	How has God proven each answer to the previous question in his work in the world and thru the person and work of Jesus?
Who am I in light of God's work?	List as many true statements about who you are that you can think of
How should I live in light of who I am?	What beliefs are you experiencing in light of the first 3 questions? How do you see them changing you?