

Galatians 3:1-14
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Sermon Notes

Galatians 3:3 NLT

How foolish can you be? After starting your new lives in the Spirit, why are you now trying to become perfect by your own human effort?

Completion is found when we:

1. Look to Christ
2. Learn from Christ
3. Live by Christ

Romans 1:12 ESV

that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.

1 Thessalonians 1:5 NLT

For when we brought you the Good News, it was not only with words but also with power, for the Holy Spirit gave you full assurance that what we said was true. And you know of our concern for you from the way we lived when we were with you.

Hebrews 12:2 ESV

looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Learn from Christ:

1. Obedience
2. Perseverance

Hebrews 5:7-8 ESV

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. 8 Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered.

Think of a sin that you regularly commit. What are you worshiping more than Jesus that causes you to decide to disobey Him?

2 Corinthians 5:21 ESV

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Salvation means much more than forgiveness. We do not simply have our slate wiped clean; we also become perfect in God's sight. And we stay perfect in God's sight.

Timothy Keller

What do I live by? What is my life based on? What, if I lost it, would make me feel as if I had no life left?

Philippians 3:8-9 ESV

8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—

We must go back again and again to the gospel of Christ crucified, so that our hearts are more deeply gripped by the reality of what He did and who we are in Him.

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