



Sermon Questions

Date: *October 22, 2023* | Scripture: *Galatians 4:1-11*

1. Read the passage from the sermon together. What do you find convicting? What do you find challenging? What do you find confusing?
2. How often do you think about God as your Father? Is that an easy image for you or not? Why?
3. How does each Person of the trinity participate in God's plan of redemption? How is that a source of comfort for believers?
4. How does the concept of being sons and heirs of God relate to the freedom we have in Christ?
5. What does this freedom look like in practical terms in your daily life as a believer?

Inward Grace in Action

Paul speaks about the Galatians' return to observing "days, months, seasons, and years." This is likely a reference to the pagan religion the Galatians would have once been accustomed to. In short, the Galatians are being tempted to approach Christianity the same way they've always done religion. Paul says frankly, that old way of doing religion is slavery to false gods. Christianity is wholly different.

- In what ways can focusing on religious rituals and legalism hinder our sanctification process?
- How can we strike a balance between Christian disciplines and avoiding legalism?

ACTION: It is important that the Lord's prayer starts with "Our heavenly Father." Jesus instructed us to address God as Father first and foremost. Before we bring any confession of sin, commitment to action, or request for help before God we must first remember him as Father and ourselves as children. Take some time as a Community Group to use the Lord's prayer as an outline for prayer time, and come back to the Lord's prayer through the week.