

## Galatians 3:1-5

### Don't Be Foolish...Like the Galatians

Paul wrote Galatians and divided it his spiritual autobiography in chapters 1-2, the doctrinal chapters 3-4, and the ethical chapters 5-6. In our passage this morning, Paul basically accuses the Galatians of assaulting the Trinity. His passion is clear as he violates rhetorical principles by calling them \_\_\_\_\_. One translation is "you dear \_\_\_\_\_ of Galatian." This was not a choice of two less desirable things. Paul's contention was that they were \_\_\_\_\_ and acting without \_\_\_\_\_. One last translation: Galatians...you are \_\_\_\_\_.

#### I. Are You \_\_\_\_\_?

Paul had an idea that the believers were spellbound, so spellbound that they couldn't see the obvious. The verb, bewitched, is used only here in the NT. It means "to \_\_\_\_\_." It was as if a magician had them under his \_\_\_\_\_ influence. Those most affected were probably new believers. These false teachers had done their job so well that these Galatians believed Jesus + \_\_\_\_\_ = Salvation/Justification.

#### II. He Was Vividly \_\_\_\_\_.

The Romans, by law, would have to display a law in the Forum for 3 days before it could be voted upon. It would be placed on large boards so people could see it. The word Paul uses here is the idea that implies an open proclamation. Notice the use of the word \_\_\_\_\_ as though Paul refers to these believers needing to refocus their gaze on Jesus, alone. By the time Paul finished preaching there at Galatia, the only thing the believers there could see was the living body of Jesus nailed bloody to that cross.

It was as though Paul had payed for a huge, magnificent billboard only to find that someone had come in and wrote \_\_\_\_\_ all over it just to make it perfect.

#### III. How Was Your Faith \_\_\_\_\_?

Paul's question shows only two avenues: by works or by grace through faith in Christ. So he asks the question was it by a rigorous \_\_\_\_\_ to ceremonial ordinances that they came to Christ or by the \_\_\_\_\_ of faith in Christ? These two are \_\_\_\_\_

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opposed. Remember, again, there are only two religions in the world: \_\_\_\_\_ achievement, or divine \_\_\_\_\_. Paul reminds them, if they are Christians at all, that they received the Holy Spirit when they came to Christ.

His other question here is this: Are you so, foolish, so stupid, to think that being redeemed by grace through faith, you'd be \_\_\_\_\_ by works?

IV. How are You \_\_\_\_\_?

These false teachers were preaching that you must let \_\_\_\_\_ finish what \_\_\_\_\_ had begun. Jesus + anything = \_\_\_\_\_. Imagine receiving an autograph, genuine and authenticated. You see the autograph is by Babe Ruth or Hank Aaron. You notice the autograph is faded so you decide to get a pen and trace the lines. Has that helped increase the value?

V. Is Justification Just for New Believers?

Justification is for the \_\_\_\_\_.

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Justification is a great doctrine to \_\_\_\_\_ with but it's an even better one to \_\_\_\_\_ with.