

Father Abraham

Galatians 3:6-9

The Judaizers believed they were the ____ sons of Abraham, just by being _____. They arrogantly bragged about their lineage from him as though it gave them a higher rating with God. Paul, being Paul, took their arrogance, their lineage and took them to the real context of Genesis 15.

I. Abraham Believed and God _____ Him Righteous.

Basically, the Judaizers had been teaching God _____ them for their righteousness, implying the emphasis was on their _____ not their _____. Abraham, actually, wanted a righteousness that no law ever provide. When God reckoned him righteous, he possessed a righteousness but not his own. Paul took these false teachers not to Genesis 17 but to Genesis 15 to speak of the _____ child. God promised him a child, even though he was closer to _____ than 40. God promised him land, but at that point was no landowner. Abraham _____. God counted him righteous.

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Significantly, God counted Abraham _____ before he _____. He was justified as a _____ not a _____.

II. Want to Be a Son of Abraham? Then Be Like Your Dad.

The Judaizers were probably angry when they heard this. Paul very clearly wrote that it's not _____ that saves you. It's not _____ the law that makes you a daughter or son but _____.

The approach of the Judaizers was that the _____ was the supreme character trait of a son or daughter of God. Paul, however, was teaching that the Galatians believers were _____ daughters and sons of Abraham by faith.

III. Conclusion: Those Who are of _____ are Blessed with Abraham, the Man of Faith.

The OT predicted a child would come, a Messiah, and prophesied the way He would save. This way was for all nations, cultures, people.

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Justification was never just for the _____.
When Jesus established the church, the agenda
was simple _____. Guess what? It's
still simple today. Meeting the _____ needs of
a community, a family, a person, is important
but it's not an either or proposition.

Emory, to exist as a local church, must minister
the gospel outside the walls of this facility.
Evangelical churches seem to be falling into a
similar pattern the Jewish people did. We seem
to believe that merely entering a church facility
somehow cleanses us and fulfills Jesus' words of
Matthew 28. Quick Test: If He was grading you
on your fulfillment of Matt 28, how would you
score? If He was grading our church, how would
we score?

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