

Otisville Church of Christ
Bible Study Guide for September 2-8, 2012
Galatians 3:1-4:7 and Psalm 18:25-50

Sunday – Read Galatians 3:1-4:7

1. What did you find most profitable in these scriptures? Why?
2. What did you find most profitable in today's sermons? Why?
3. How will you apply what you learned?

Prayer focus: For wisdom to understand God's word and to apply it to your life.

Monday – Read Psalm 18:25-50

1. What is the theme of this section of the psalm?
2. What was the writer experiencing?
3. How did God rescue him?
4. How does obedience to God play a role in this psalm?
5. How do you need God to deliver you?

Prayer focus: For greater faith.

Tuesday – Read Galatians 3:1-4:7 (3:1-9)

1. What does Paul point out as one of the central aspects of the gospel that was received by the Galatians?
2. How did they receive the Spirit, and why is this important to Paul's point?
3. How is Abraham used as an example?
4. How does one find blessing as foretold by God in scripture when the gospel was preached to Abraham?

Prayer focus: To hold firm to the gospel we have received without wavering.

Wednesday – Read Galatians 3:1-4:7 (3:10-18)

1. Why is there a curse on those who rely on works of the law?
2. What does Paul mean by "rely"?
3. What does scripture proclaim as the way one is justified before God?
4. How have we been redeemed from the curse of the law, and how does this connect with the promise to Abraham?
5. What came first, the promise to Abraham or the law? Why is this important for Paul's point?

Prayer focus: To rely on faith and not our own "works."

Thursday – Read Galatians 3:1-4:7 (3:19-29)

1. What is the reason the law was added?
2. How does the way it was put in place indicate that it is inferior to faith?
3. How did the law act as a guardian?
4. How does the law function now that faith is here?
5. How do we become sons (children) of God? (two parts)
6. How does faith connect to the promise to Abraham?

Prayer focus: For your faith and trust in God to grow and deepen.

Friday – Read Galatians 3:1-4:7 (4:1-7)

1. How does Paul's example of the heir work?
2. How does this correspond to the enslavement Paul says we experienced as children?
3. How does Paul describe the gospel in this section?
4. What is the effect of the gospel on those who have faith?

Prayer focus: To become stronger and more courageous in faith.

Saturday – Read Colossians 1:1-20 and Joshua 3-4

1. What are the main themes of these sections of scripture?
2. How do these sections of scripture develop and extend the teaching from the earlier sections you studied this week?
3. How do they help you prepare for Sunday worship?

Prayer focus: To be prepared to hear the word of the Lord on Sunday.

Notes