

CRUCIFIED WITH CHRIST

True Freedom

A Study of Galatians - Part 6

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Galatians 2:15-21

“For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: ‘The righteous will live by faith.’”

Romans 1:17 (NIV)

Justification Means

1. FREEDOM FROM RELIGIOUS PERFORMANCE.

“For when I tried to keep the law, I realized I could never earn God's approval. So I died to the law so that I might live for God.” Galatians 2:19 (NLT)

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.” II Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV)

2. FREEDOM TO EMBRACE A RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” Galatians 2:20 (NIV)

a. We have a new power.

“But you are not controlled by your sinful nature. You are controlled by the Spirit if you have the Spirit of God living in you. (And remember that those who do not have the Spirit of Christ living in them are not Christians at all.) Since Christ lives within you, even though your body will die because of sin, your spirit is alive because you have been made right with God.” Romans 8:9-10 (NLT)

b. We have a new relationship.

“...Is it not clear to you that to go back to that old rule-keeping, peer-pleasing religion would be an abandonment of everything personal and free in my relationship with God? I refuse to do that, to repudiate God's grace. If a living relationship with God could come by rule-keeping, then Christ died unnecessarily.” Galatians 2:21 (Mess)