

WEEK 2

## Fighting for Grace

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## **Key Verses**

I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you by the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel— which is really **no gospel** at all. GALATIANS 1:6-7A [NIV]

Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to **pervert the gospel** of Christ. GALATIANS 1:7

Are you so foolish? After beginning with the Spirit, **are you now** trying to attain your goal by human effort? GALATIANS 3:3

It is for **freedom** that Christ has set us **free**. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of **slavery**.

GALATIANS 5:1

	The biggest enemy of grace:
	Adding man-made rules or expectations to the gospel; the simple message of grace.
Fiv	ve results of legalism:
1.	Drains
	What has happened to all your joy? GALATIANS 4:15A
	A little yeast works through the whole batch of dough. GALATIANS 5:9
2.	Doesn't
	I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness could be gained



na Go <b>or</b> i	merly, when you did not know God, <b>you were slaves</b> to those who bure are not gods. But now that you know God — or rather are known bl— how is it that you are <b>turning back to those weak and miserab nciples?</b> Do you wish to be <b>enslaved by them all over again?</b> ATIANS 4:8-9
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s t	ose people are zealous to win you over, but for no good. What they wan o alienate you from us, so that you may be <b>zealous for them</b> . ATIANS 4:17
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, 0	ı have fallen away from grace. GALATIANS 5:4
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_	If legalism is out, then how do I grow?  But by faith we eagerly await through the Spirit the righteousness for which we hope. GALATIANS 5:5  So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the

## **Pre-Conversion** Conversion Focus is on my own efforts Focus is on the grace of God and the simplicity of salvation **Post-Conversion** The "Light Legalism" **Graceless** In an attempt to be a "good Christian", I adopt a few Spiral: legalistic practices. But they don't satisfy. In an effort to recover that SPIRITUAL QUICKSAND initial sense of joy in Christ, I slip further into... "Heavy Legalism" I begin to reason, "If I just worked harder or changed this, then I'd rediscover my joy." Those who stay Those who leave Disenchanted Christians: Christians (REV. 2:2-4) "I tried it and I failed." Substituting accomplishment for real joy Christians (MATT. 15:8) Substituting ritual for real joy Christians (GAL. 4:15) Substituting "conviction" for real joy

## **Daily Meditations**

For daily readings tied into this weekend's message, please pick up a Grace Immersion book in the lobby, or go online to www.GraceImmersion.com



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GALATIANS 3:3 [NIV]