Proclaiming and Protecting the Gospel

Open with Prayer Requests

Discussion Questions

Read Galatians 3:5-9

- When you think about the word *gospel*, what comes to mind? How would you explain it in your own words?
- Paul reminds the Galatians that they received the Spirit by *believing*, not by *doing*. Why do you think it's so easy to drift from faith toward performance?
- What does Abraham's example teach us about what it means to live by faith?

Read Galatians 3:10–14

- According to these verses, what's the danger of trying to earn God's favor through our works?
- Why is it important to understand that Christ "became a curse for us"? How does that truth impact your gratitude and humility before God?
- Read Romans 3:23–24 and Ephesians 2:8–9. How do these verses reinforce Paul's message?

Read Galatians 3:15–25

- Paul uses a legal example to explain that God's promise to Abraham came *before* the Law. Why is that significant for us today?
- How does understanding the purpose of the Law (to lead us to Christ) help us appreciate grace even more deeply?
- In what ways do we sometimes act as though faith in Christ isn't enough?

Read Galatians 3:26-29

- What does it mean to be a child of God through faith in Christ Jesus?
- How do these verses challenge divisions that sometimes exist within the church?
- What does it mean for your daily life to know that you "belong to Christ" and are an heir of His promises?

Personal Application

- How can we guard our hearts against drifting toward performance-based faith?
- What are some subtle ways we might "add" to the gospel without realizing it?
- Who in your life might need to be reminded that salvation is by grace through faith alone?
- How can this group encourage one another to proclaim and protect the true gospel this week?

Closing Prayer