



SERMON GUIDE

BELIEF AND BELONGING

Galatians 3:1-9; 26-29 | Pastor Tim Prince

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted every Friday in the News & Blog section of our website. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your Bible studies!

***QUESTIONS FOR KIDS!** Questions most suitable for children are marked with an asterisk.

Conversation Questions

1. Share about a time when you were a part of a team or a group where you experienced a real sense of belonging. Why do you think you experienced that sense of belonging?

2. Read Galatians 3:1-9 and 26-29. What verse or phrase stands out to you most? Why?
 - a. Note: for more on Abraham's story...

3. How does Paul say that we receive the Spirit (v.2,5) and become children of Abraham (v.7,9)? Why do you think he wants to remind the Galatians of this? What were they being tempted to trust instead?
 - a. After saying yes to Jesus, what are we sometimes tempted to trust other than him? What kinds of things to Christians sometimes boast about or divide themselves over?

4. Looking back on the story of Abraham (Genesis 12-25) Paul says, "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness," even though there were times when Abraham clearly did not act in faith. How is this good news for us today?

5. Paul teaches the Galatians that through their faith they are "children of Abraham" (v.7) which means that they are a part of the family of God. This leads Paul to conclude that the people of God are not defined by status, race, gender, etc. (v.28).
 - a. Why would being justified by faith alone diminish the divisive power of these distinctions and increase our sense of belonging?

Faith in Jesus is all that's needed to be a part of God's family. How might you help your church or home become a place where people experience a greater sense of belonging? Take some time to pray and ask God to help you do this. Pray as specifically as you can.