

UP, IN, OUT:

Have you ever had a friendship or other relationship melt down because of religious differences? If so, please share with the group.

OPEN:

Share about when you first heard or understood the Gospel. Who shared it with you? What was hard to understand? What questions did you have about the Gospel? What questions do you still have about the Gospel?

DIG:

Next Sunday, Scot Bruns will give us a high level overview of the book of Galatians. He will helping us understand the true Gospel as compared to other competing gospels. Today, we'll look at some key passages of Galatians to get ready.

Read Gal 1:1-5

- Based on the opening 5 verses, what can we already know about the author, recipients, and purpose of this letter?
- Do a little research and share the back story of the book of Galatians. If you have a study Bible, there's probably an introductory essay before the book starts.

Read Gal 1:6-7

- How would you describe Paul's tone here?
- What is he concerned about? What does he think the Galatians are doing?
- He blames their confusion on a group of people. Based on your research, who are these people, and what was their message?

Read Gal 1:8-10

- According to Paul, what should happen to someone who preaches a false gospel?
- How do you feel about this?

Read Gal 3:1-6

- What are the works of the law that Paul is referring to?
- Try to put Paul's basic argument into your own words. What's his main point here?

REFLECT:

In Gal 1:10, Paul speaks of the difference between living to please God or men. When have you struggled with pleasing men instead of God? Is there an area of your life where you are struggling with this currently?

APPLY:

What area of your life do you need to more thoroughly believe and apply the Gospel?

PRAY: