

**A study in Galatians**  
**A Few Questions**  
**Galatians 3: 1-6**

Let's recap.

**A Few Questions...**

- **Who \_\_\_\_\_ you?**
- **How was divine \_\_\_\_\_ received?**
- **Is your standing in \_\_\_\_\_?**
- **Was the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit by works?**

**A Few more questions...**

1. **What's your \_\_\_\_\_ of growth?**
2. **Are you seeking a \_\_\_\_\_ way to God?**
3. **Who is \_\_\_\_\_ your growth?**

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**Message Application:**

I grew up on well water. Let me rephrase that statement. I grew up on some “nasty” well water. When my parents purchased the farm in the early 60s the water was so rusty that the bath tube was a dark orange. Thanks to *Bar Keeper's Friend* and a whole lot of elbow grease my mother was able to bring back the white. My father installed a water softener and some filters which help; but the water we bathed in and cooked with and drank was not what you would call high quality.

Years later the well dried up and there had to be another one dug. We were told that there was a way, if my dad wanted to pay for it, that the well guys could dig down deep enough to hit a table of water that would be like an artesian spring. There was a

possibility to have a source of refreshment that was there for the taking; but my father passed because of the cost.

My friend, what are you depending on as your life source? The Galatians were believers who had been “bewitched.” The spell was cast that caused them to look for something more than the Gospel of Christ. It is easy to fall into the same spell today.

Grace is free. *24...all are justified **freely by his grace** through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.* Romans 3:24.

Romans 6:23 reminds us that, *23 For the wages of sin is death, but the **gift** of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

The salvation by works appeals to our sinful nature; but the Holy Spirit power comes through faith alone. Faith is the factor that brings us into God’s family and faith is the factor that will bring a deeper walk with God and victory over this world.

This week ask yourself:

Am I trusting in Christ alone? Do I have the peace that Jesus brings or am I going through the storm alone in my own power? I’m I measuring my growth by works or by fruit (more about that when we look at chapter 5)?

Meditate then act. We were always mean to pludge deep in the Spirit of God through faith, not to drowned is the murky water of self works and man made standard

Peace & Grace,

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