

GROWTH GROUP

Study Guide

How Not to Be Saved – Galatians 2:15-21

My Story

1. In what areas of life are we sometimes asked to justify ourselves to others? Why is the impulse to earn favor, or prove ourselves to others (and to God), so deeply ingrained in our hearts?

Digging Deeper

2. If we are not justified by works, but only by faith in Jesus Christ (v.16), what role do works play in the life of the believer? What do the following passages reveal: Eph. 2:8-10; James 2:14-18?
3. Read Rom. 6:1-7. How does this passage explain and amplify Paul's statement in Gal. 2:20?

4. How does seeking to be justified by obedience to God's law nullify the grace of God (v.21)?

Reflection

5. How would you explain the difference between being moral and being a Christian to someone who thinks being good makes them acceptable to God?
6. In what ways do you find yourself tempted to rely on your own efforts/works rather than trusting in Jesus in your Christian life?

SERMON NOTES

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Taking the Next Step

Are there areas of your life where you are still living in the flesh or relying on self-righteousness? “Crucify” those areas and seek to rely on Christ’s strength and guidance.

Praises / Prayer Requests

