

Galatians 1:11-2:10

1. Which summer blockbuster are you most excited about?

Read v. 1:11-16

2. What amazes you about Paul's conversion story?

3. From where did the Gospel come? How do other religions typically say that a person can find salvation or fulfillment? How is the true Gospel different?

Read v. 1:17-2:2

4. Why do you think Paul felt it was necessary to share his conversion experience in this letter?

5. Paul's experience of conversion was by grace. In your own process of coming to faith in Christ, where was (and is) grace at work?

6. What do people recognize as changes that God has made in you? What areas are you not living as you should?

Read v. 2:3-10

7. What are some ways we use to measure our relationship with God? Should these "measures" be the result of intimacy with Christ, the means for achieving intimacy with Christ, or not used at all? (Think about attending church, reading the Bible, praying, witnessing, etc.)

8. Watchman Nee once said, "Grace means that God does something for me; Law means that I do something for God." How does this apply to the passage we read?

9. Who can you share your story of Grace with this week? (If there's time, share your story as an example.)

Basic Message Outline:

Main Idea: Paul received and accepted the Gospel of Grace, not from man, but from God. We receive grace freely, not because we've done anything to deserve it.

- I. Origin of Paul's Message
- II. Transformation of Paul's life
- III. Fight against Legalism