



GROUPSDISCUSSION GUIDE

WEEK Oct 30 – Nov 5

MAIN IDEA

Staying seated at the table of grace.

CHECK IN (HIGHS & LOWS) 15 min

A great, quick way to catch the highlights of what is happening in the lives of the people in your group is to take turns quickly sharing the “highs & lows” of your week/holidays. High: What was your biggest highlight since we last met? Low: What was the low point during this time?

SETTLE IN (ICE BREAKER) 10 min

What crowd did you run with in high school? (Jocks, nerds, etc.)

DIG IN (UNDERSTANDING) 15 min

1. Read Galatians 2:11-14. Why did Paul confront Peter (Cephas)? Why was Paul so bothered by Peter’s behavior?
2. Why does Paul call Peter’s behavior hypocrisy? What were the effects of Peter’s behavior?
3. Read Galatians 2:15-18. The word “justified” is a legal term. Imagine a judge swinging the gavel and saying, “not guilty.” What are the categories that make someone feel like a “good person”? How do you think people are naturally inclined to judge themselves based on those categories?

4. Why is deeming ourselves “justified by following the law or rules” insufficient?
5. How does receiving our justification through Christ change the game? How does it or could it change our perspective of God and ourselves?
6. Read Galatians 2:19-21. Some powerful verses! Which one sticks out to you and why?
7. Based on verse 21, why is holding to grace instead of righteousness by works so important for Christians?

GEAR UP (APPLICATION) 20 min

1. How do you relate to the phrase, “I no longer live, but Christ lives in me”?
2. How can you protect yourself from “setting aside the grace of God”?
3. We discussed a lot of philosophical realities. What’s one tangible takeaway for you?

STEP UP (HOMEWORK) 5 min

Let’s immerse ourselves into the book of Galatians during this study. You can join our church-wide reading plan called “Live Free” on the YouVersion Bible app. Spend some time in the devotion everyday and share some of your reflections with your group.

Note: You can easily find the plan by making Summit Christian Church your home church on the YouVersion Bible app. Log in to the app and then type our church name in the “discover” section and click on our logo.