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Galatians 3:7-9

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Vs 2 "Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith?"

Vs 3 "Are you so foolish? <u>Having begun (saved) by the Spirit</u>, are you now being perfected (sanctified) by the flesh?

"Know then" – "believing God" counting it to him as righteousness. It was not Abraham's works of obedience that made him holy.

- His works were his belief in God put to action. James 2:21-24
- His works gave evidence of His trust in God. He shows us his faith.
- His belief bearing the spiritual fruit of obedience to God. Rom 6:22

Those of faith in God are sons of Abraham. Sons of the promise God gave to Abraham. We are co-partakers and benefactors of Jesus perfect life, and sacrificial act. Rom 4:9-12; 20-25

## Are you someone who can say that you are of the faith – in Jesus Christ?

<u>Faith</u>: Heb 11:1 "the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."; belief; a trust that is fully convinced; impossibility of failure or something that absolutely will come to pass; 100% confidence that is seen in your response's words and actions.

- 1. Vs 7 Those who believe God, by hearing with faith, are God's chosen family. Eph 1:3-5, Rom 1:16-17; 4:13
- Vs 8 God in His mercy extends His grace, beyond Abraham and the Israelites, offering to all mankind through the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Eph 1:6-10, Rom 4:16

- God would justify all mankind through their hearing with faith in Jesus. He took their place to pay for their sins.
- Jesus' death imputed (assigned) His righteousness to those of faith.

## The Gospel:

Jesus in my place – Gal 3:13, Rom 5:8-11. Jesus in me – Col 1:27-29. Eph 3:7. Jn 15:1-17 Jesus through me – Gal 2:20; Jn 15:5.

- Christians are <u>united with Jesus for the glory of God</u>, and the further proclamation of Jesus to the World. Jesus in *your place*.
- 3. Vs 9 God's blessings of and from salvation are available to all who truly believe in the Gospel.
  - Rejoice! Rom 5:1-5, 11
  - Obey James 1:22; Jn 14:15; James 2:17

## Q. Are you one who has responded in faith to the hearing of the Gospel of Jesus Christ?

- **Yes?** In view of the Gospel, what is the Lord asking you to believe today that doesn't reflect trusting in Jesus? Are you like the Galatians having begun by the Spirit, are you attempting to be perfected by the flesh?
  - Abide in Christ, and Him in You. Let faith produce it's Godhonoring fruit of obedience.
- **Not yet?** Today, won't you consider God's love for you shown through the Gospel (good news) of Jesus in your place?
  - Confess your sins.
  - o Repent, turn from your selfishness to Jesus.
  - Believe in Jesus as God saving you from paying for your sins.
  - Trust in God that in Christ you are justified and declared righteous
    based on what Jesus has done.
  - Go and sin no more.
  - o Tell others about Jesus. Him in their place.
  - o Make disciples continually throughout your lifetime.