

## Good News! Galatians 1:1-5

**Bad News** – The present age is evil and we are all part of it.

*“...this present evil age...” Galatians 1:4*

- Galatia in the first century –
- Our current day –
- Our sin –

**Fake News** – The solution to sin is to keep the law.

*“Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?” Galatians 3:3*

- The false gospel of works and behavior modification as a means to salvation.
- This was not just a heresy of the first century.  
This is one of the easiest heresies for well-intentioned people to fall into.
- Jesus + Nothing = Everything

**Good News** – Jesus rescues us!

*“Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for our sins so that He might rescue us from this present evil age.” Galatians 1:3-4a*

- The gospel of freedom – We are RESCUED from the evil age.
- Jesus and His Kingdom.
- We are saved by the gospel and we live by the gospel.

Calvary Church seeks to be a church family that is better together, being changed by the gospel to love like Jesus across all cultures and generations.

## LifeGroup Discussion:

1. How do you see the “bad news” playing out in your own life? How do you experience the temptations of the world? How do you see our age as “evil?”
2. Has the “fake news” of salvation through good works crept into your mindset at times? Why do you think we still struggle with this after a couple thousand years since this was written?
3. Spend some time trying to articulate out-loud the gospel of Jesus. Practice saying what you think the good news is to each other and sharpen one another so you can be clear in describing the gospel of Jesus and His Kingdom.

## Next Steps:

1. **Respond to the good news of Jesus Christ.** Come to the Prayer Points or find any leader at Calvary Church to pray with you about taking a next step toward surrendering to Jesus and living for His Kingdom.
2. **Jesus rescues many of us out of some difficult life circumstances.** Calvary’s Care Ministries have various ways for you to experience spiritual, mental and emotional healing. Learn more at [calvarylife.org/care](http://calvarylife.org/care)
3. **Share this good news with others!** Receive biblical insights and practical tools on how to share the good news of Jesus with others by joining us at these upcoming Equipping Classes:

### **HELPING OTHERS DISCOVER JESUS: Sundays, April 30 – May 21 · 9:00 am · Room W-209**

Come be equipped to reach out, make disciples and help others discover how to live and love like Jesus. You’ll learn how to prepare and use your testimony in witnessing for Christ, how to witness without your Bible, helpful verses to commit to memory so you can share at any moment, and more! Learn more at [calvarylife.org/reach](http://calvarylife.org/reach)

### **DISCOVER YOUR PURPOSE: Wednesdays, May 17 – 31 · 7:00 – 8:30 pm · Room W-209**

In this class, you’ll explore your unique God-given spiritual gifts through taking insightful personality tests. You’ll also learn what the Bible has to say about purpose and be equipped to make a difference at Calvary, in our community and around the world. Learn more at [calvarylife.org/purpose](http://calvarylife.org/purpose)