

Sunday, June 16, 2019 - "Free - Week 7 - When The Father Speaks to Your Soul" - Dr. Martin Sanders

Key Passages: Galatians 1:6-7, Galatians 3:26-29, Galatians 4:15

- Feel free to read the passage(s) out loud as a group
- Allow the group to share freely about what stood out to them from the passage or from Sunday's message

#### Main Ideas

- Paul is almost saying to the Galatians "I am the father of your souls, and I want you to reconnect with the true Father"
- The father's voice in Galatians
  - Gives warnings...but is validating and hopeful
  - Corrective, strong and almost cheeky
  - The tone changes throughout / Paul us confused (once you were free but you've gone back to a religious spirit
- Galatians 1-3
  - Religiousness overrides relationship
  - Astonishing when we leave our first love and return to the duties of "religious" forms
- Galatians 1:6-7
  - Paul is asking, "what are you doing?"
  - They started off in the spirit but went back to the works of the flesh
  - Paul uses the imagery of a race: Look at what's ahead. Don't look back, don't go back
- Galatians 3:26-29
  - God doesn't keep the same distinctions that we have
  - In Christ we no longer make distinctions that have felt very real and important to us
  - We are ONE in Him...Christ is the great equalizer of humanity
- We need to update our perspectives
  - Jesus welcomed people THEN took them through a transformation process
  - We are called to see people in the way He sees them
  - What they can become nit what the used to be
- Hear the Father's voice
  - He wants you, your heart, your will
  - "Abba Father" the most personal name for our father
  - "Remember, you are children of promise"
- Your Spirit: Dark side VS. The Spirit
  - Be honest about your shadow/dark side
  - Live into the fruit of His Spirit
  - Live out this fill life in community, not by yourself
- We need to take an honest look at our souls and make the necessary adjustments
- Walk with Him - In Step...with the Spirit

Questions (Feel free to use all of these, some of these, or none of these)

1. What does the Father's voice sound like to you? Give some examples of when and how you heard it
2. Where is God calling you to look ahead instead of looking or going back?
3. What have been some of the things that have stood out to you during this Galatians/Free series?
4. How does it impact you that God wants you, your heart and your will?
5. How can you tell when you are walking in step with the Spirit and when you are not?
6. How is God calling you to grow in walking in step with his Spirit?
7. What is God inviting you into as a result of this passage or sermon?

**\*\*15 Minutes with God Reading Plan-**

**Mon: Hebrews 1 Tues: Hebrews 2 Wed: Hebrews 3 Thurs: Hebrews 4 Fri: Hebrews 5**

**Songs from the weekend:[The Way - Pat Barrett] - [Goodness of God - Bethel Music] - [You Know My Name - Tasha Cobbs]  
- [Yes & Amen - Housefires]**