

CRUCIFIED WITH CHRIST

LIVING BY FAITH IN THE SON OF GOD

Sermon Questions

1. What's it called when our beliefs on paper don't match our beliefs in practice? _____
2. Which apostle's practice was contrary to his profession? _____
3. We need to understand three things to know what it means to be "crucified with Christ":
 - i. The _____ can't justify.
 - ii. The penalty of sin is _____.
 - iii. The gospel hinges on the substitution of Christ's _____ for our sin.
4. "Christ living in us" refers to the new birth or new life enjoyed by those who have faith in Christ. (Yes/No)
5. Living by faith means we are free from working for God's _____.
6. Give two examples of those who can live under the bondage of working for God's grace:

7. Living by faith means we are free from _____.
8. List three ways in which the gospel keeps us from sin:
 - i. We know the _____ of sin.
 - ii. We know the costly _____ paid by Christ.
 - iii. We know Christ's _____
9. Living by faith means we are free from the _____ of others.

Discussion Questions

1. In Galatians 2:20 Paul says, “I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.” What does it mean that we have died with Christ, and how does this change the way we think about our old life, the law, and our standing before God?
2. The sermon opened by noting how easily our profession of faith can be out of step with our practice (as it was with Peter). Where do you see the greatest gap between what you say you believe about the gospel and how you actually live—especially in relationships, pride, or the fear of others’ opinions?
3. Paul warns that seeking to be justified by works nullifies the grace of God (v. 21). In what ways are you still tempted to earn God’s acceptance or the acceptance of others through performance, religious activity, or rule-keeping? How does resting in Christ’s finished work free you from that burden?
4. The new life is described as living “by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” How should the costly love of Christ (seen especially in Gethsemane and the cross) reshape your motivation to turn from sin and to love others—even when it costs you approval or comfort?
5. What was your most significant take-away from this passage and sermon?

Discussion Questions for Children

1. Paul says, “I have been crucified with Christ.” What does it mean that Jesus died on the cross for us? How does knowing Jesus took our punishment help us stop trying to be “good enough” for God?
2. The Bible says, “It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.” When we trust Jesus, he lives in us by his Spirit. How can remembering that Jesus loves us and is with us help us say “no” to sin or stop worrying so much about what other people think of us?