SERMON NOTES

WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE?



Galatians 2:15-21

BIG IDEA: Because we are justified by faith in Christ, not by works of the law, we should live a righteous life, not a morally reckless one.

APPLICATION GUIDE

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Why doesn't the gospel make a positive difference in the lives of some professing Christians? What might this tell us about the state of their heart (Mt 7:21-23; 15:7-9)?
How does Paul show that justification by faith does not remove personal responsibility for righteous living?
If we could somehow merit our salvation, what would that mean about the cross? Why?
APPLY
How has the doctrine of justification by faith in Christ made a difference in your life?
How do you still struggle with the old self (Rom 6:6)?
How are you tempted to go back to the law rather than to the grace of the gospel?
What gospel promises can make a lasting change in your life?

COMMIT

Look back at Galatians 2:11-21. Which verse is the most helpful to you right now? Take some time to memorize it.