

Living in freedom

Galatians 3:1-19

The overview of the book of Galatians

Galatians 3:1-5

We received the Spirit by believing.

We didn't receive it by keeping the law.

Galatians 3:4-5

Scripture teaches that justification, salvation, and sanctification come through faith.

Galatians 3:5-19; Genesis 3:1-6; Romans 3:21-31; Genesis 12:1-3;

Deuteronomy 27:26; James 2:10; Romans 7:10; Habakkuk 2:4;

Deuteronomy 21:23; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Isaiah 53:6

Considerations for the week

Consider a particular activity and how someone could undertake it with mere human effort and/or with the Spirit's power. Explain what that might look like. When might the source of power be obvious, and when might it be subtle or imperceptible?

Why wouldn't it be better if God's kindness and favor were conditioned on how hard we work for His blessings?

Consider how you live daily. What part does needing to accomplish good things have in how you live? Distinguish between needing good works to be accepted and how knowing you are already accepted could result in good works.

Think back upon the time you became a Christian. How were you saved?

Tell about a few specific ways your life would be different were you to live daily on the same basis by which you were saved.

Paul says believing what you hear is the key to seeing God's power (v. 5). As you read the Bible this week, notice not-so-much what it says you should do, but what it says God will do. Thank Him and be ready to see His work.

Please use these considerations for personal reflection, small group discussions, and with friends and family.



**For by grace you have been saved through faith.
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,
not a result of works, so that no one may boast.**

Ephesians 2:8-9, ESV

Scripture read today
during worship:

Luke 6:32-35

Romans 15:5-6

Prayer today

Members will be praying for us during the service today and also during the week. Please email us at prayer@rtbchurch.org to let us know how we may pray for you.

Rice Temple Baptist Church

Today's order of service

Prelude

Call to Worship

Hymn, *Awake My Soul*

Hymn, *Blessed Be Your Name*

Hymn, *Lord I Need You*

Offertory

Reading

Special music

Praise Before My Breakthrough

Youth camp reflections

Message

Observance of the Lord's Supper
Special music, *Who Else?*

Hymn of response, *Love of God*

Benediction

Postlude

Weekly events

Today after benediction, Cookies & Coffee, in parlor

Young adults fellowship, Monday at 6:45pm. Dinner and discussion for those in college or starting careers

Mom's Day Out, Tuesday and Friday, 9am – 2pm
pre-registration required

Wednesday

Dinner served, 5:30-6:30 pm – Menu: spaghetti and meatballs, veggie, bread, salad, dessert

Prayer, 6:30 pm in the prayer room

Ladies' international Bible class (Zoom), 6:45 pm

Sermon discussion on Zoom, 7 pm

Choir rehearsal, 7:45 pm

Will resume in the fall:

BLAST! Children's Bible study and fun

Kids' Music Class

Joy Program: conversational English classes, Bible study, crafts, handbells – will resume Thursdays in the fall

Young internationals Bible study, Saturday at 7 pm

Men's Bible study, every-other Saturday at 8 am.
Meets next week, August 9.

Sunday morning

Adult Bible study, 9:30 am

Worship, 10:45 am

Children's Church at sermon time

The church office has information on events.

Phone: 713.559.6875 Email: office@rtbchurch.org

The office is open Tuesday - Friday, 9am-4pm

We will observe the **Lord's Supper** today.
The bread served will be gluten-free.

BLAST! and Mom's Day Out
Registration is now open for our children's programs for the new school year.

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online giving



Church Conference There will be a regular church conference held in person at the church on Sunday, August 24, 2025, at 12:45 pm. Please contact the church office for information.

All-Church Pool Party August 10, 5-8 pm
Contact the church office for details.

Please be advised that our services are livestreamed to the internet. Your participation in the service serves as your consent to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your participating minor children.