

Review:

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## Moving Backward Galatians 4:1-11

*Freedom in Christ includes benefiting from God's promises now. When Christ followers cling to God's law in order to be made right with him, we forsake the freedom which grace affords. We are moving \_\_\_\_\_.*

**Discussion 1. How does it impact our testimony as Christ followers if we talk and teach about freedom in Christ but do not choose to live in that freedom? To you, what does living "free from the law" look like?**

*God's timing is always perfect. He chose the perfect time to send Jesus into this broken world, and He chose the perfect time to place Jesus on your (and my) radar screen. We each then have a choice: \_\_\_\_\_ to this world or \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ.*

**Discussion 2. How did God's perfect timing play out in your own story about starting to follow Jesus? Looking back on it, can you see a way in which the timing was perfect?**

*When we, as Christ followers, make choices and live our lives as if God does not exist, we \_\_\_\_\_ into the lostness and brokenness of a world without God and we forsake the freedom we had once found in Christ.*

**Discussion 3. Under what kinds of circumstances do you think we, as Christians, are likely to make choices or live as if God does not exist? What kinds of spiritual disciplines have you found helpful so that you do not "regress" this way?**

*To know God and be known by God is a call to holiness, i.e., to be set apart from the world...NOT by our works or our efforts and NOT for our own comfort, but by living in \_\_\_\_\_ and all the freedom that brings.*

**Discussion 4. How would you explain to a 6-year-old that, when the Bible says, "Be Holy" it is NOT about our works or our efforts, but about our faith? How would you teach this?**