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Galatians 3:10-14

Series: Justification by faith alone in Christ alone

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Trying to live by the Law produces Curse:

- No one can actually keep everything in God’s law
- No matter how hard we try without faith we fail
- Human pride tries to build a false ladder to God

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Living by faith produces Blessing:

- We get justification – right standing and relationship with God.
- We receive eternal life and the blessing of that life right now.
- We have the blessing of the promised Holy Spirit living in us.

Legalism is a many headed monster and it can take on many different forms, but all of them are _____ to the life of the Spirit.

Be a person who prays. Be a person who reads the Bible. Be a person who serves those around you. Not because you must, but because in Christ and by the Spirit you can now please God.

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