**Bewitched**

*Galatians 3:1-9*

Several years ago, in undergraduate school, I took a Christian Ethics class. In the course I learned an interesting definition of “sin”.

John C. Dwyer, in his book, *Foundations of Christian Ethics*, implied that “sin” means being deliberately or intentionally U\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

But if we really think about it, that’s what sin is.

Dwyer’s definition of sin seems to describe Paul’s sentiments concerning the sinful and M\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ beliefs of the Galatian Christians adequately and appropriately.

The issue at hand had to do with – How does one become saved?

At the beginning of Chapter 3, Paul launches into a stern, harsh, and tough-love R\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Galatian Christians because many of them were on the wrong theological road.

He begins with the particle, “O” – “O” is an emotive particle that reinforces the apostle’s mood of indignation and concern.

“Foolish” = lacking intelligence, S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, stupid, silly.

J.B. Phillips interprets it this way – **“Oh, you dear idiots of Galatia … surely you cannot be so idiotic.”**

However, when Paul calls the Galatians “foolish”, he does not mean to imply that they lacked intelligence; their problem was that they were not thinking S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Paul draws upon this Greek superstition and says to the Galatians, **“You act like someone has a S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on you! You act like you have been brain-washed!”**

He essentially says, **“S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ out of it!**  Come to your senses! Use your head! Stop letting other people think for you!”

1. **Know Who Jesus Is and What He Did to Save You** (v1)
2. **Know the Meaning of C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
3. **Know the Meaning of the C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
4. **Know Who the Holy Spirit Is in Relation to Your Salvation**

Their experience with the indwelling Holy Spirit was P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that they were saved. (Romans 8:9; I Corinthians 12:13)

1. **Know What God the Father Has Done in Your Salvation** (v5)
2. **Know What the S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Says About Your Salvation (**(v6 – 9; Genesis 15:5-6; 12:3; 17:24)

Everyone who has ever been saved (in both the OT and NT) were saved by faith.

In Revelation 12:10, Satan is called the “A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the brethren”.

\*\* But I’m glad 1 John 2:1 says, “If anyone sins, we have an advocate…”