SMALL GROUP SERMON SUMMARY QUESTIONS

Watch the video summary of the **November 17, 2013 Sermon** (3.5 minutes), "The Gospel of Promise." Please read the sermon passage (Galatians 3:1-14) together out loud.

Small Group Questions (Galatians 3:10-14)

Sermon Outline:

- 1. The Law cannot save (vv.10-12).
- 2. Only Christ can redeem. And he did (13).
- 3. Jew and Gentile are saved together (14).

Small Group Discussion Questions

- 1. The Law teaches us about who God is, it guides us in his ways and it instructs us about what is right and wrong. But it lacks the power to redeem us. It cannot bring life. Discuss how "all those who rely on observing the Law are under a curse."
- 2. Paul quoted from Habakkuk 2:4, "The righteous will live by his faith." The idea here is that one is made righteous (in right relationship with God) by faith alone. In what way are you aware of your faith moment-by-moment? How does it change the way you think, react and live?
- 3. Christ bought us back from the curse of the law by himself becoming a curse for us. He took our curse on himself. He brought an end to the endless and fruitless "doing" and has made our redemption "done." Discuss your gratitude to God for this grace.
- 4. Christ gets your curse. You get Christ's blessing. How does this affect your love for Jesus?
- 5. The plan from the beginning was to bless "all nations" through Israel by bring Jesus into the world through Abraham. We inherit the "blessing of Abraham," namely, faith—not works. Discuss how this plan negates every sinful impulse we have toward racism.