

Message Notes

Spot the Difference!

Scripture Passages

(taken from the NIV or ESV)

Introduction – 3 Sundays remain!

Why I like Martin Luther

New Message Series:
Jesus + Nothing = Everything
A study of Galatians

Today's Message: Spot the Difference
Galatians 1:6-9

Recap from last week - Galatians 1:1-5

- Paul, an apostle
- 3 missionary journeys
- The Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us

Paul's Thanksgiving in other letters

- Colossians 1:3-6
- 1 Corinthians 1:4-9

Galatians 1:6-9

In REVERSE order

#3 - Perverting the gospel of Christ
Galatians 7b-9

To pervert means to reverse

What does it mean to be under God's cursed, or accursed? Romans 9:1-5, Romans 8:1

#2 - Turning to a "different gospel"
Galatians 6b-7a

SPOT THE DIFFERENCES!

Hebrews 5:11-14

#1 - Deserting the one who called you
Galatians 1:6a

Isaiah 55:1-3
John 5:39-40, 6:4

6 Ways We Internally Resist the A to Z Gospel

Gospel Application –

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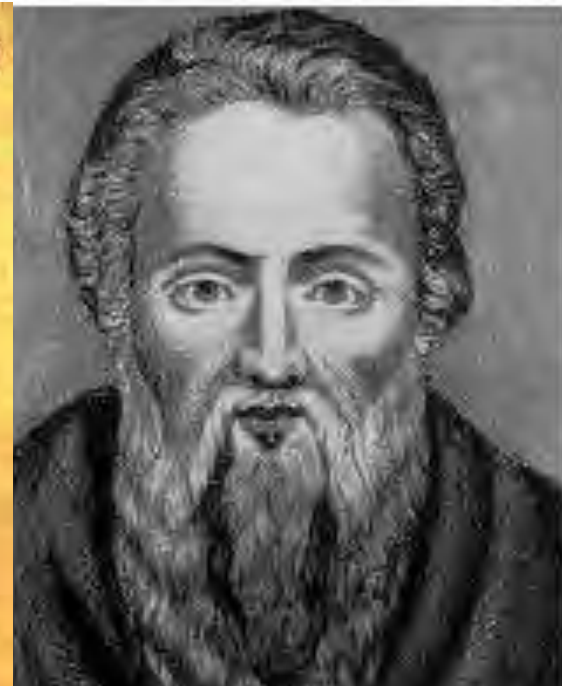
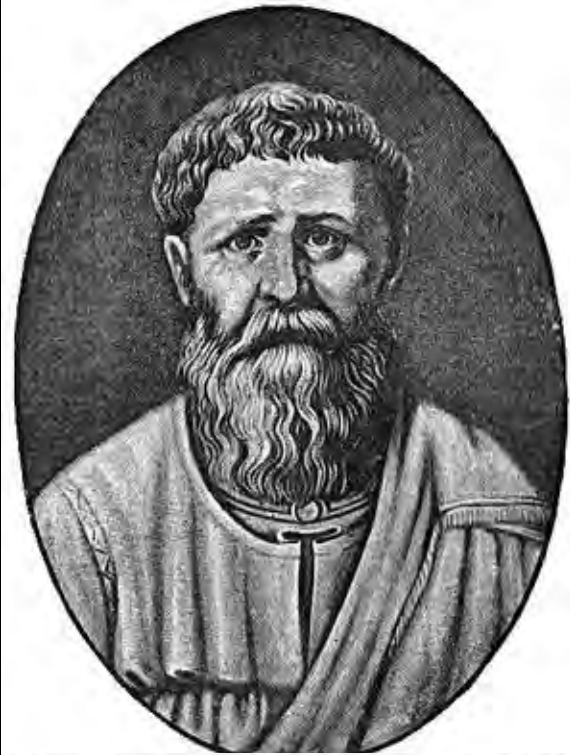
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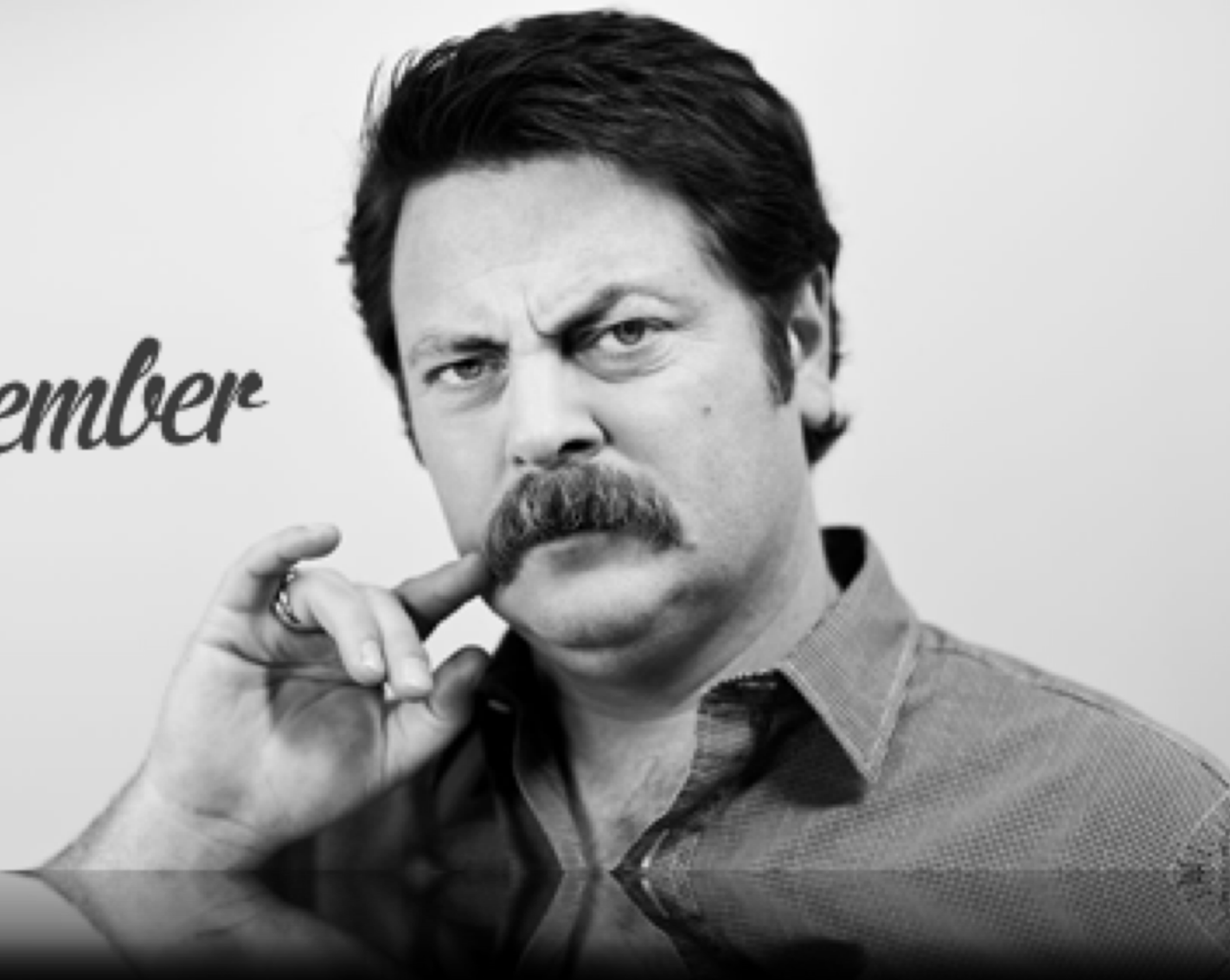
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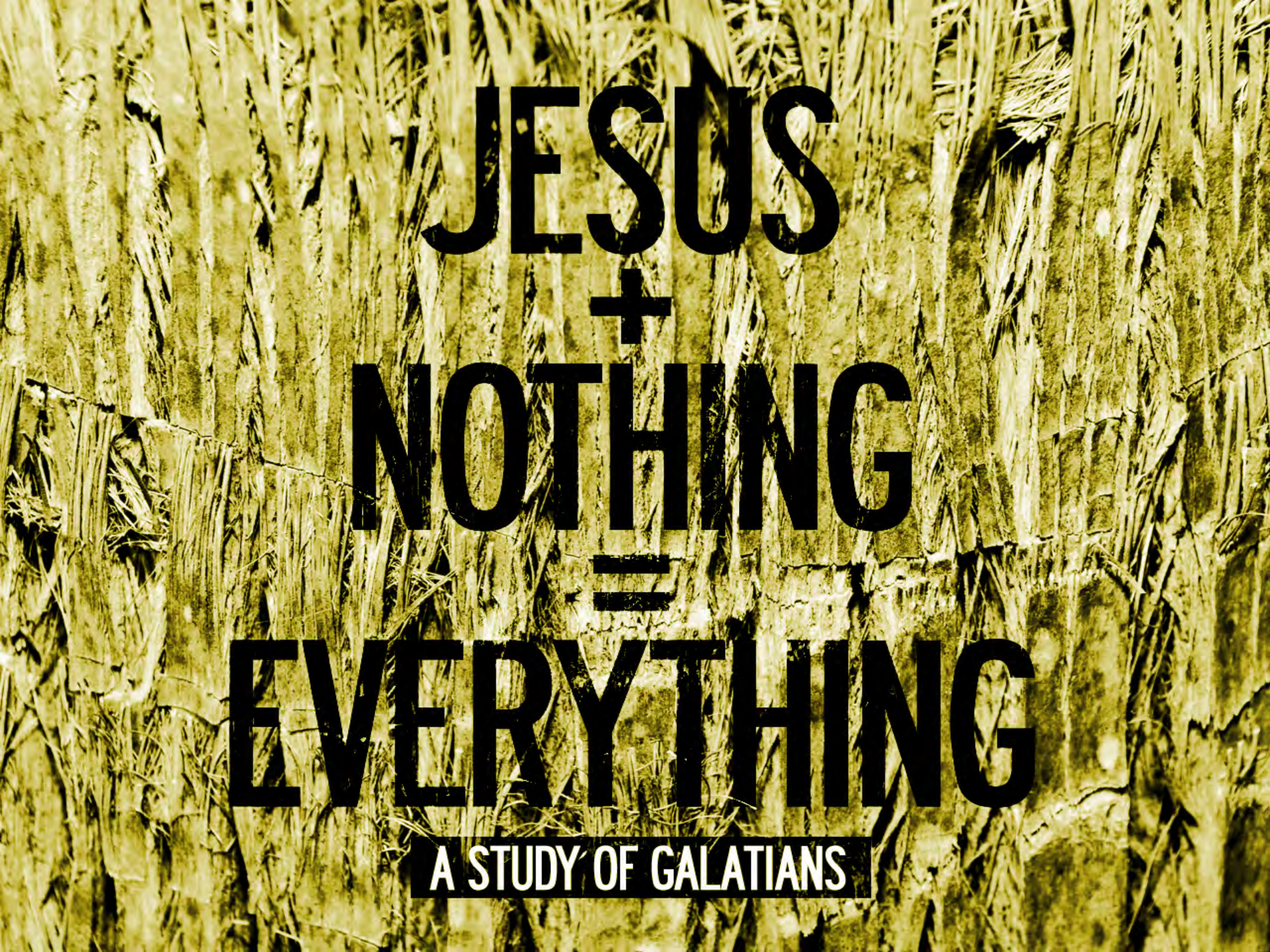


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[Galatians] brings us face to face with the gospel. It's very common in Christian circles to assume that "the gospel" is something mainly for non-Christians. We see it as a set of basic "ABC" doctrines that are the way in which someone enters the kingdom of God. We often assume that once we're converted, we don't need to hear or study or understand the gospel – we need more "advanced" material... But in this short letter, Paul outlines the bombshell truth that the gospel is the A to Z of the Christian life. It is not only the way to enter the kingdom; it is the way to live as part of the kingdom...

We're going to see him telling them that all they need – all they could ever need – is the gospel of God's unmerited favor to them through Christ's life, death and resurrection... We're going to hear him solving their issues not through telling them to "be better Christians", but by calling them to live out the implications of the gospel. We're going to watch Paul challenge them, and us, with the simple truth that the gospel is not just the ABC of Christianity, but the A to Z – that Christians need the gospel just as much as non-Christians.



Galatians 1:1-2

¹Paul, an apostle — sent not from men nor by a man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead — ²and all the brothers and sisters with me,

THE FIRST MISSIONARY JOURNEY OF PAUL

ACTS 13:4-14; 28

- City
- ← Paul's routes
- Via Sebaste



Paul encounters intense Jewish opposition to the gospel

Paul and Barnabas flee Iconium after a plot to kill them

Paul and Barnabas mistaken for gods

Paul continues journey after being stoned in Lystra

The church at Antioch sends Paul and Barnabas on missionary work

Proconsul Sergius Paulus converted



Galatians 1:3-5

To the churches in Galatia:

³Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, ⁵to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Paul's "Thanksgiving" in other letters

Colossians 1:3-6

3 We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, 4 because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God's people – 5 the faith and love that spring from the hope stored up for you in heaven and about which you have already heard in the true message of the gospel 6 that has come to you. In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world – just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God's grace.

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1 Corinthians 1:4-9

4 I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. 5 For in him you have been enriched in every way – with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge – 6 God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. 7 Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. 8 He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Therefore, there is now no condemnation
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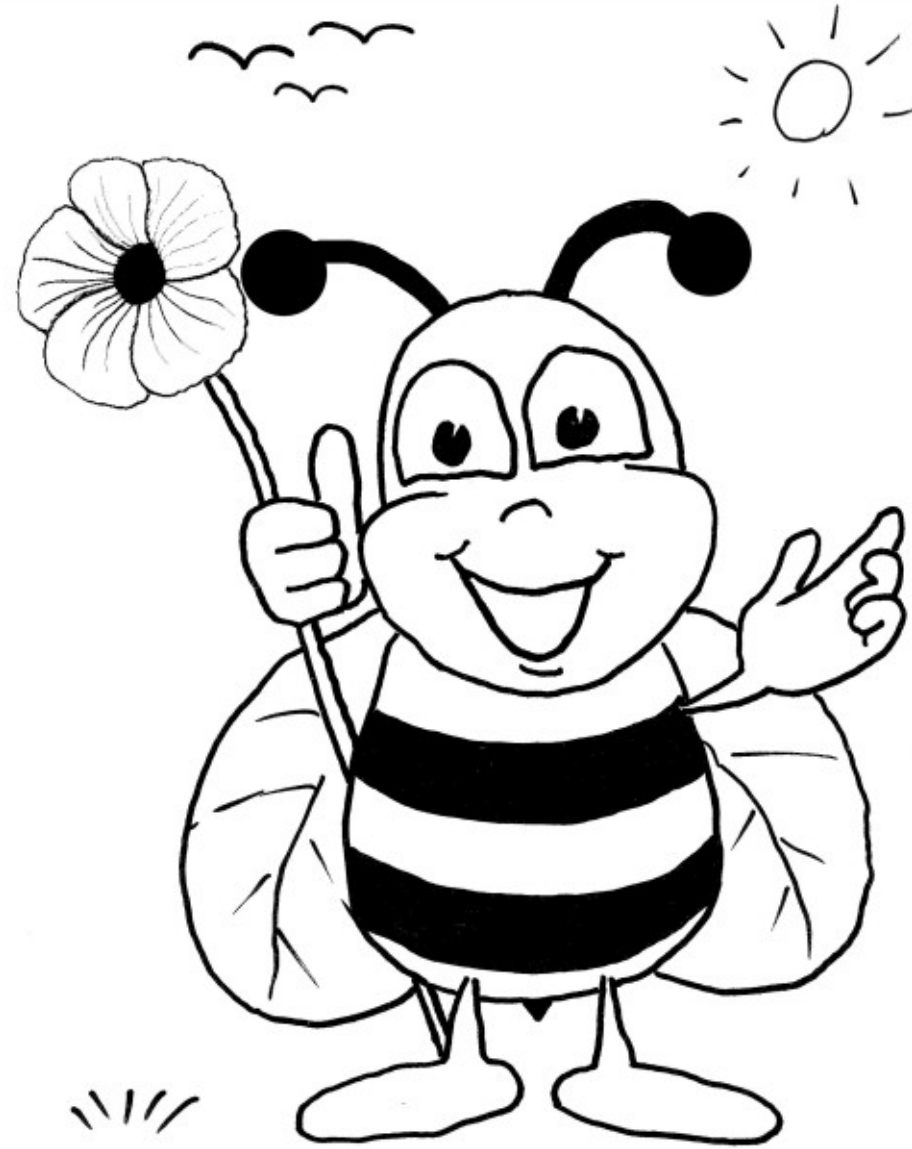
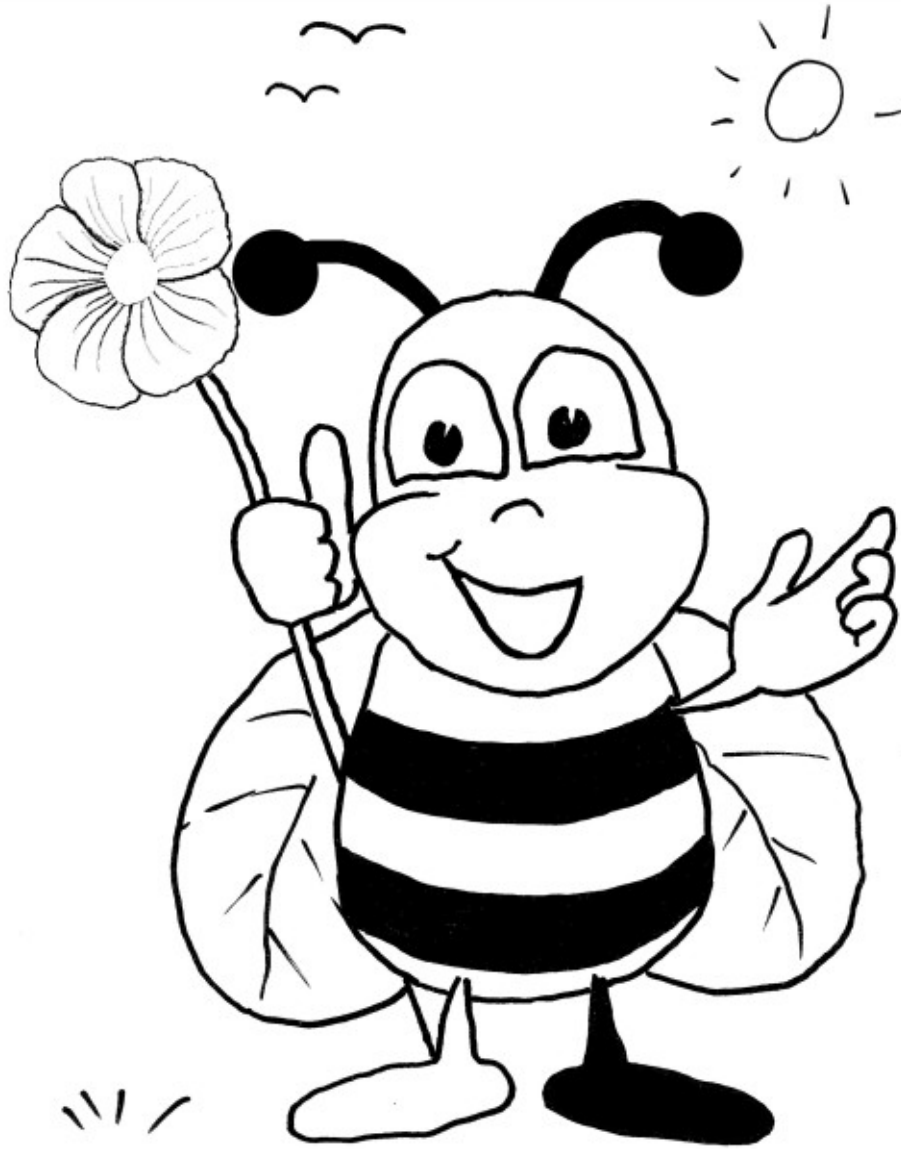


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John 5:39-40, 6:40

39 You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, 40 yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life... For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.

6 Ways We Internally Resist the A to Z Gospel



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Healing Your Church Hurt



*What to do when you still love God
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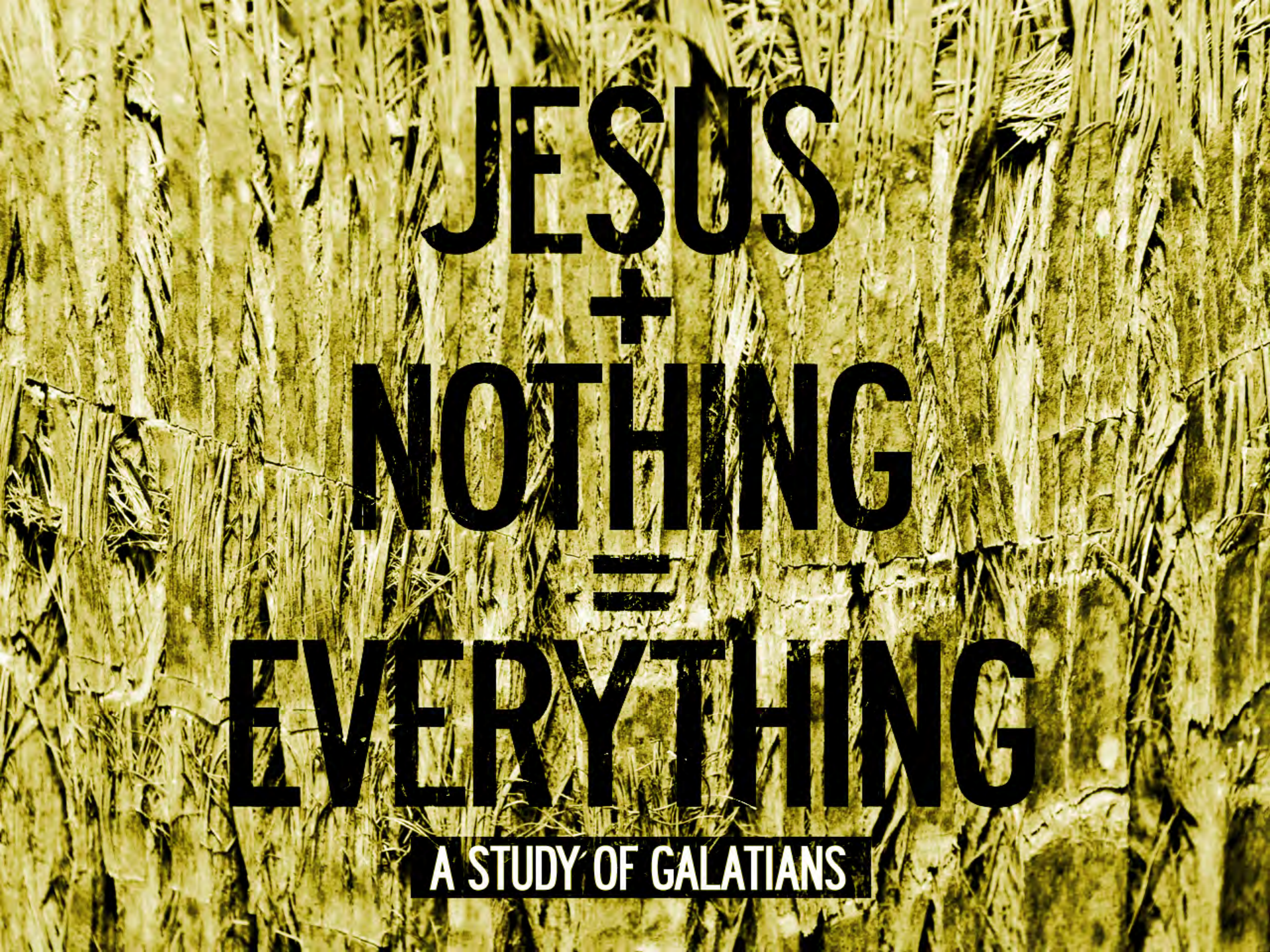
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