**SERMON NOTES**

**The Gospel Made Visible**

**A Sermon Series on The Church & Meaningful Church Membership**

**“Membership Roles: Guarding The Gospel Part 1”**

**Galatians 1: 1-9**

***Big Idea: Every church member is responsible for making sure their local church is healthy.***

**Church membership an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the church.**

**Every member of a local church has an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to fulfill.**

**In Galatians 1:1-9 we see every member’s role to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the gospel within the church.**

Grace and peace with God come *only* through repentance of sin and faith in the life, death, and resurrection of **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**By embracing the false ‘gospel’ of “Jesus plus \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”, the Galatians are putting a yoke back on themselves.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ membership requires attendance, care, commitment, and love with a local body so that you can know deeply the true gospel and keep out a false one.**

**False gospels can make their way into our churches today through:**

* **Over emphasizing the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (law) of God (legalism).**
* **Over emphasizing the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God (liberty).**
* **Over emphasizing the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and love of God.**

**It’s every church member’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to make sure their local church is healthy.**

**NOTES**

**Blanks: office; obligation; protect; Jesus; something; meaningful; commands; grace; tolerance; responsibility;**

**CHURCH COVENANT**

This church covenant was adopted by the first group who signed the constitution of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ in Taylorsville, Kentucky.

**“We whose names are underwritten, being desirous to be constituted a church of Jesus Christ in this place and having received letters of dismission from different Baptist churches in good standing, and being desirous of enjoying the privileges that appertain to the people of God in a church relation, do in the name of God voluntarily and freely give ourselves up to one another and the Lord Jesus according to His word to be one body under one head, jointly to assist and aid by the bonds and rules of the Gospel and do promise and engage to do all things by divine assistance in our different capacities and relations.**

**The Lord has commanded us and requires of us particularly to deny ourselves, take up our cross, follow Christ, keep the faith assemble ourselves together, love the brethren, submit to one another in the Lord, bear one another’s burdens, endeavor to keep the unity of the faith in the bonds of peace, and finally, to submit to whatever the Lord in His Holy Word has enjoined upon us.**

**This is the covenant solemnly entered into in the fear of God humbly imploring His divine blessing and assistance that we may be built up and established to the glory of God and the advancement of our Redeemer’s kingdom, and the comfort and edification of one another through the infinite riches of free grace that is in Christ Jesus our Lord, and now to the only wise God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be power and wisdom and honor and strength and glory and blessing now and forever. Amen.”**