

Small Group Questions for the Week of 1/25/26

1. **How have you seen people live for the approval of others?**
2. **Where do you feel most comfortable being who God has called you to be?**
Why do you think that is?
3. **Read Galatians 1:10.**
What situations tempt people to seek the approval of others?
In what situations do *you* feel tempted to do this?
Why is it important to live for an “audience of one”?
4. **Last week we referred to the Exodus story.**
For those familiar with it, how might Moses and the Israelites have been tempted to obey people rather than God?
5. **Read Galatians 2:4.**
What does this verse reveal about people?
Do all people have your best interests in mind?
Why do you think Paul refers to these people as “spies”?
6. **How might the spies in Numbers 13 relate to the “spies” in the church in Galatia?**
What do these spies represent?
7. **Read Galatians 3:1–3.**
If the Galatians were so easily pulled away from the truth, what should that tell us about ourselves?
Consider the influences in your life (music, friendships, social media, etc.).
Whose influence can be trusted, and who or what might you need to be more aware of?
8. **Read Galatians 4:17.**
What is the goal of the people Paul describes?
Why is this kind of influence so dangerous?
9. **Read Galatians 5:7.**
Who helps you “run your race” in Christ?
Who has the potential to hinder it?
10. **Read Galatians 6:12.**
What is the problem with being overly concerned about outward appearance or image?
11. **Last week we discussed Exodus 32 and the golden calf.**
In what ways does the golden calf represent an unhealthy concern with appearances?
12. **What outward appearances do you most commonly feel concerned about?**
13. **Right now, how significant is the issue of living for the approval of others in your life?**
What practical steps can you take to grow in this area and stay spiritually strong?