## Transforming Lives, Changing the World

### World Mission Sunday 2015











### Galatians 3: 5-9

'Does God give you his Spirit and work miracles among you by your observing the law, or by your believing what you heard? <sup>6</sup> So also Abraham "believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness."





<sup>7</sup> Understand, then, that those who have faith are children of Abraham.<sup>8</sup> Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: "All nations will be blessed through you."





## <sup>9</sup> So those who rely on faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.'





### Galatians 3: 17-19a

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<sup>18</sup> For if the inheritance depends on the law, then it no longer depends on the promise; but God in his grace gave it to Abraham through a promise. <sup>19</sup> What, then, was the purpose of the law given at all?





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### **Righteousness:**

# The state of moral perfection required by God to enter heaven







#### John 3:16

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.





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#### **Genesis 22:18**

"and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me"





### Offspring = Zeh'-rah = Seed





#### Galatians 3: 16

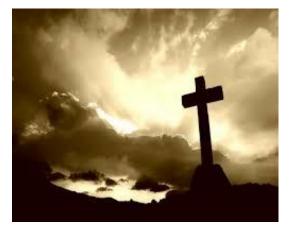
<sup>16</sup> The promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. Scripture does not say "and to seeds," meaning many people, but "and to your seed," meaning one person, who is Christ.





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### **Francis of Assisi**

# 'Preach the Gospel at all times and when necessary use words.'







#### **New Testament:**

Matthew 28: 19 – 20 Acts 1: 8

