

# Living By Faith

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**Open:** What Christian truths are most often in your mind as you go about your daily life?

**Read & Discuss:** Galatians 2:19-20

1. In verse 19, Paul says he has “died to the law.” What do you think he means? How would you explain to a new believer the place of the law in the lives of Christians? (See *Matthew 5:17-20*)?
2. How is someone who has died to the law now able to “live to God” (v. 19b)? (See *Romans 6:4, 9-11*.) What are some practical ways we can “live to God” each day? What advice would you have for someone who struggles to make progress in this area?
3. What does Paul mean when he says that he has “been crucified with Christ” (20a)? In what sense does the believer “no longer live” (v. 20b)? **Read *Colossians 3:9-10***. What are some ways that the “old you” no longer lives? What help and encouragement does this passage offer us when our old self cries out to have its way?
4. In verse 20, Paul also says, “...but Christ now lives in me.” If Christ has ascended to the Father (as *John 16:28* says), how does Christ now live in believers? (See *John 14:26, 15:26 and 16:12-14*.) In what way do you experience Christ living in you?
5. Paul says his life in the body (flesh) is lived “by faith in the Son of God” (v. 20d). What does it mean for us to live daily by faith in Jesus? What are some obstacles we face in doing this? What are some practical things we can do to overcome these obstacles?
6. How should Christ’s love for us and His sacrifice on our behalf (v. 20e), shape how we think about the call on Christians to live for Christ?

**Apply:** What changes can be made in your life to live by faith in Jesus more consistently?

**Pray:** Ask God to help us regularly remember the Gospel truths in this passage. Pray that we would all daily live by faith in the Son of God.

**This Week:** To help you prepare to disciple someone, spend some time this week filling in the answers for Chapter 2 (pages 7-10) of *Christian Living for Starters*. Then memorize Galatians 2:19-20.

## **Galatians 2:19-20**

[19] For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. [20] I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. (ESV)