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GALATIANS 4:1-6 (NASB)

I. THE UNAMBIGUOUS GOSPEL

INSIGHT: The Gospel of Jesus Christ is inherently blunt.

II. QUESTIONS NEEDING AN ANSWER

- 1. How do we know that we are all sinners? Simple: Everyone dies.
- 2. Is there anything that can be done about our sinfulness?

 Yes, by placing faith and trust in Jesus Christ as our only hope of heaven.
- 3. How can we be sure that Christ can save anyone and everyone who calls on Him? The Resurrection
- 4. How do we know that Christ's death satisfied God? God raised Him from the dead.

But a question lingers: HOW CAN WE BE CERTAIN WE ARE SAVED?

III. HINDRANCES TO ASSURANCE

- 1. Lack of life impact for Christ
- 2. Disobedience
- 3. Inconsistency
- 4. Indwelling sin
- 5. Trouble

IV. ASSURANCES OF SALVATION

1. Adoption... Ephesians 1:3 - God has become our Father.

OKAY, BUT WHAT IS THE *EVIDENCE* WE ARE SAVED?

2. Our heart cry... Galatians 4:6

How do you know the Holy Spirit is in you? a) He leads you.

- b) He comforts you.
- c) He cries out from your heart, "Abba! Father!"