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Life, Liberty, The Pursuit – Part 1  
Galatians 1:6-24

### Presidential Campaign Slogans: (1960-today)

- "The Better Man for a Better America" - \_\_\_\_\_
- "Yes We Can " – \_\_\_\_\_
- "Change We Can Believe In."– \_\_\_\_\_
- "Believe in America" – \_\_\_\_\_
- "Make America Great Again!" – \_\_\_\_\_
- "Country First" – \_\_\_\_\_
- "Let's Make America Great Again" – \_\_\_\_\_
- "Putting People First" – \_\_\_\_\_
- "Stronger Together" - \_\_\_\_\_
- "A time for greatness" – \_\_\_\_\_
- "In Your Heart, You Know He's Right" – \_\_\_\_\_
- "In Your Guts, You Know He's Nuts" – \_\_\_\_\_
- "This time, vote like your whole world depended on it" – \_\_\_\_\_

Psalm 146:3 *Do not trust in princes, in mortal man, in whom there is no salvation.*

### I. Only \_\_\_\_\_ Can Fix this World.

Gal. 1:6-9 *I am amazed that you are so quickly deserting Him who called you by the grace of Christ, for a different gospel;<sup>7</sup> which is really not another; only there are some who are disturbing you and want to distort the gospel of Christ. <sup>8</sup> But even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we have preached to you, he is to be accursed! <sup>9</sup> As we have said before, so I say again now, if any man is preaching to you a gospel contrary to what you received, he is to be accursed!*

### Galatians: Background

- Paul's Message:
- Judaizers' Message:

### II. Only \_\_\_\_\_.

Gal. 1:11-17 *For I would have you know, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. 12 For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. 13 For you have heard of my former manner of life in Judaism, how I used to persecute the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it; 14 and I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries among my countrymen, being more extremely zealous for my ancestral traditions. 15 But when God, who had set me apart even from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, was pleased 16 to reveal His Son in me so that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with flesh and blood, 17 nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went away to Arabia, and returned once more to Damascus.*

*"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."*

- Declaration of Independence

### Point:



### Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!

1. Where (when) do you experience true life, liberty, and happiness?
2. Where (how) are you searching /seeking life, liberty and happiness?
3. What would change in your pursuit if you moved from pursuing life, liberty and happiness in your own abilities and you began to pursue them as a gift from God?
4. What could you do this week to pursue grace? What does it look like to pursue life as a gift rather than an accomplishment?

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