

Don't Be Fooled By False Religions.  
Galatians 5:1-4

**1. False religions will always leave you on your own. 5:2**

“Nothing under the sun is more harmful than the doctrine of human traditions and actions, for they utterly abolish the truth of the gospel. ....” “Therefore, all those who are either authors or Maintainers of the doctrine of works are oppressors of the gospel, they make the death and victory of Christ useless; ... .” In short, they are blasphemers, enemies, and deniers of God and of all His promises and benefits.” Luther

“He must be a perfect Savior, or no Savior at all.” William Perkins

**2. False religions will always require more from you than you can perform. 5:3**

**Romans 2:25** For indeed circumcision is of value if you practice the Law; but if you are a transgressor of the Law, your circumcision has become uncircumcision.

**James 2:10** For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all.

**Gal 2:16**

**Romans 3:10** as it is written, “THERE IS NONE RIGHTEOUS, NOT EVEN ONE;

**Romans 3: 19** Now we know that whatever the Law says, it speaks to those who are under the Law, so that every mouth may be closed and all the world may become accountable to God; **20** because by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for through the Law comes the knowledge of sin.

“He who willingly and deliberately undergoes circumcision, enters upon a compact to fulfill the law. Therefore he is bound, and he cannot plead the grace of Christ; for he has entered on another mode of justification.” J.B. Lightfoot

**3. False religions will always separate you from the best of God's goodness. 5:4**

**Romans 7:1–2, 4, 6**

**Luke 15:1–7**