



Week #3 of Galatians: A Gospel of Grace

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Coming Together

- What did you want to be when you grew up?
- Paul was called to be an “Apostle”. That was his job. What is the best job you have ever had? Why did you like it so?

Adding to Our Understanding

- Read Galatians 2:1-2. Who did Paul take to Jerusalem and why did they go?
- What do you think was Paul’s motive in bringing Titus with him? See Galatians 2:3-5
- According to Galatians 2:4-5, what did the “false believers” do and how did Paul and team respond to them?
- When Paul shared with church leadership the Gospel of Grace that he was preaching to the Gentiles, how did they respond? See Galatians 2:6-9
- What did the Jewish Church leaders request of Paul and his ministry (Galatians 2:10)? Why do you think this was important?

Unwrapping and Applying God’s Principles

- Paul goes to great lengths in Galatians 1 to assert that his message has a divine not human origin. Because of this, he claims his ministry is independent of from the influence of the church leaders back in Jerusalem. And yet, Paul goes to great

lengths to also show his solidarity with them in the sharing of this Gospel. Why do you think Paul takes such great efforts to “play well in the sandbox with others”? How might this influence the way we should “do church”?

- What is one way people try to impose religious rules on people today? Why is it important that Paul stood up for freedom from the Jewish Law?
- What might be a healthy response to religious traditions that we disagree with or that are no longer effective?
- As a Life Group, what is a local service project that you can do together that will help someone in need in our valley and will hopefully create opportunities to share this Gospel of Grace? Spend the next couple of weeks brainstorming and praying how God would ask you all to be a blessing to our community. Then pick a time and be “doers of the Word” (James 1:22) and find ways to care for the poor (Gal. 2:10).

Deepening Our Hearts for God

- What does caring for the poor have to do with telling others about Christ (Gal. 2:10)?
- Read James 2:14-17. What do these verses reveal about the heart of God?

Looking Ahead

Read Galatians 2:11-21. Circle, underline, or highlight anything that stands out to you. In these verses, what are some essential truths about the Gospel message that Paul takes the time to emphasize?

