

THE TRUTH OF THE GOSPEL

(Galatians 2)

I. THE EXAMINATION OF

a. THE CONFIRMATION OF (v.1-10)

b. THE CONSISTENCY OF (v.11-14)

II. THE EXPERIENCE OF (v.15-21)

5 key doctrines Peter had denied...

1. Unity of the church (v.14)

2. Justification by faith (v.15-16)

3. Freedom from the Law (v.17-18)

4. The very gospel itself (v.19-20)

5. The grace of God (v.21)

For further thought.....

KEY LESSONS FROM GALATIANS 2:

1. Always compare what you hear or read to God's Word. Many false gospels (which are not really gospels) are prevalent even in churches today. The need is to stay in God's Word, prayerfully asking the Lord for wisdom and discernment.
2. Be careful of any additions to faith in Jesus Christ for salvation. There are to be none!
3. Right doctrine without right behavior always produces hypocrisy.
4. There is only one gospel that saves...the gospel of the grace of God as revealed in Jesus Christ. Any other gospel is a false gospel. Have you ever trusted in Jesus Christ alone for salvation? Not your works, your morality, your religion.
5. LAW AND GRACE are not to be mixed! Law says "DO" while grace says "DONE"! When did you last thank the Lord Jesus for His finished work on the cross...that He has done all that is needed for salvation?
6. Freedom does not mean license, rather it means the freedom in Christ to enjoy Him and to become what He has determined for us to become (Eph.2:10)
7. The best way to defend the truth is to live the truth. Are you? We should verbally be ready to defend the truth. However, our lives should be consistent with it, not contradicting it. Are you walking "in step" with the truth of the Gospel?
8. THE GOSPEL..... Have you received it?
Are you living it?
Will you defend it and guard it?
Will you share it?