Paul's Defense of the Faith Galatians Chapter 2

1. The law represents **bondage** and grace represents **freedom**.

Verses 1-10

- 2. Paul's message that he preached to the Gentiles was free from any mixture of **Judaism and the law.**
- 3. The reason Paul met in private with the leaders in Jerusalem was to not **expose** his ministry to denigration and not to **endanger** his present ministry.
- 4. The steady faithfulness of Paul's gospel message was <u>recognized</u> in Jerusalem and resulted in Paul receiving the <u>right hand</u> of fellowship.
- 5. The gospel is not ours but is God's and it is available to **Jew** and **Gentile** alike.

Verses 11-14

- 6. Paul's criticism of <u>Peter</u> helped us understand that we cannot give into <u>peer</u> pressure.
- 7. The wall between Jew and Gentile was taken down when **Christ** died on the cross.
- 8. Peer pressure should not <u>cause us</u> to add anything to the gospel we have been given through Paul's letter to the Galatians.

Verses 15-19

- 9. Right standing with the Lord comes through **grace** not following laws
- 10. Through grace we are free from the law but not free to do wrong.

Verses 20-21

- 11. If we believe that **Christ** was crucified, we who have received His grace must also believe that we are **crucified** with Him.
- 12. The life you see me living is not "mine," but it is lived by <u>faith</u> in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.
- 13. If we could be saved by obeying the law, there was no reason for **Christ** to die.