

Galatians 2

Justified by Faith Alone		Galatians 2
<p>Christ Church is under spiritual attack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Satan is the master of lies He was in subtle and shadowy ways <p>The temptation of the Church is to make the Bible/Gospel/Church Culture more palatable to “the word”</p>	<p>Gal. Chapter 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paul writes and warns about the Judaizers Scolds them for turning away from the true Gospel Emphasizes that his ministry/message is not his, but God’s 	<p>Today: Paul continues his critique of the Judaizers. At the same time, he is going to call out those faithful brethren who have allowed this false message to influence them.</p>
<p>Galatians 2 - Paul spends time to emphasize that the Gospel he preached to the Gentiles (which opposed Jewish law) had already been approved by the apostles (Peter, James, & John). Yet, when Peter came under the influence of the Jedaizer, Paul publicly called him on his hypocrisy. See Acts 15</p>		
<p>1. Be discerning of cultural Christianity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> V. 3 Just because someone says the name Jesus does not make them a Christian (Matt 7:21-23) These “false brethren” are noted as spies v. 4 (John 8:44) V. 11-13 These spies can influence the ill-prepared (1 Peter 3:15) 	<p>2. Boldly oppose false teachings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> V. 2 & 14 Notice the process Paul corrects Peter (Matt. 18 15-20) V. 12-14 Be bold in calling out the falsehood for what it is. (Matt 23) 	<p>3. Faith alone, in Christ alone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> V. 18-19 Our salvation is not an act of works (Rom. 7:6) V. 20 Our salvation is through Faith in Jesus (Romans 6:6) V. 21 If our actions could lead to salvation, why did Christ have to die?
<p>“All you need is Jesus” Many have and will continue to try to lead believers away from the truth of the Gospel with tails of works and rituals. They say, all of which you need to truly attain salvation.</p> <p><i>With ending;</i> <i>To my brethren: how many presuppositions have you allowed to influence your belief?</i> <i>To the non-believer: make clear that salvation only requires one thing, repent and believe.</i></p>		

Scripture references:

Matt. 7: 21-32 “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. **22** On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ **23** And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’

John 8:44 You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father’s desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

1 Peter 3:15 but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,

Matt. 18:15-20 15. “between you and him alone”... v. 16 “take one or two others along with you”... v. 17 “tell it to the church.”

Matt. 23:27-28 **27** “Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people’s bones and all uncleanness. **28** So you also outwardly appear righteous to others, but within you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.

Romans 7:6 But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old way of the written code.

Romans 6:6 We know that our old self^[a] was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.