



A STUDY THROUGH Galatians – *Grounded in the Gospel*

ARRIVAL / CONNECTING and SNACK: (15 minutes) Spend time catching up and socializing with one another. Follow up on prayer requests and any action steps from your last time together.

SHORT OPENING PRAYER FOR YOUR TIME TOGETHER: (2 minutes)

SCRIPTURE: (3 minutes) Open your Bibles to **Galatians 2**. Read the chapter slowly enough for everyone to enjoy, then reflect quietly for a moment. You may want to read each smaller section again as you go through the questions.

OBSERVATION, REFLECTION, and DISCUSSION: (50 minutes)

Galatians 2:1-10

- What are some reasons why Paul and his team went to Jerusalem? (2:2, 2:4, 2:5)
- Why is it important stay true to truths of the gospel?
- Describe a time in your life, after you knew the truth, when you strayed from the gospel? How did it affect your worship, your relationships, and your responses to temptation?

Galatians 2:11-14

Later in **Galatians** chapter 6, verse 1, Paul writes: *Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently.*

- What about the situation in Antioch (chapter 2) was exceptional enough for Paul to publicly confront Peter, versus the usual way we are to address sin and contend for the gospel (Matthew 18:15-17, 1 Peter 3:15-16)?
- Why is it important for us to fight for the purity of the gospel in our actions?

We need to be grounded the power of the gospel! Galatians 2:15-21

- Describe the characteristics of Paul's gospel message to Peter in Antioch?
- Read verse 20 again. Based on that verse, how do we live out the gospel in our daily lives?
- What, in effect, are we saying when we "set aside the grace of God?"

SURRENDER: (10 minutes)

- What is God specifically saying to you in light of today's discussion?

PRAYER: (10 min) Pray for one another and encourage each other forward in your journey of faith.