“I HAVE BEEN CRUCIFIED WITH CHRIST”

Galatians 2:1–21

Key Verse: 2:20

1. Where did Paul go, when, with whom, and why? (1,2) Who was Titus? (3; cf. 2Co8:23; Tit1:4a) What happened to Titus in Jerusalem, and why? (3) Why did this matter arise? (4; cf. Ac15:1,2) Why did Paul refuse to give in to those people? (5) What did he mean by “the truth of the gospel”? (cf. 5:1–6) Why is it so important to “preserve” this truth? (5)
2. How did the Jerusalem leaders respond? (6–10) Why was their acceptance of Paul and Barnabas and their Gentile ministry so important? Back in Antioch, why did Paul oppose Cephas (Peter)? (11–14) In this context, what does it mean to be “acting in line with the truth of the gospel”? (14a; cf. 3:26–29) How can we do this practically?
3. What faith do Jewish and Gentile Christians share? (15,16) What are “the works of the law”? What does it mean to be “justified”? Why do the works of the law fail to do this for us? What misunderstanding does Paul dispel? (17,18; cf. Ro6:1,2) What personal experience did Paul have with the law, and what does this mean? (19; cf. Ro3:20; 7:4)
4. What did Paul say about himself and about Christ? (20) What does it mean to be “crucified with Christ”? (Ro6:6) That “Christ lives in me”? (2Co4:10,11; Col1:27) What new way of life did this give Paul, and what was his personal conviction about Christ? (20b) Why is being personally sure of Christ’s love and grace so important?
5. What two choices do we have, and why is living in Christ’s grace better? (21) What can you learn in this study about: a) how to defend the truth of the gospel; b) how to live only by faith in the grace of Jesus; c) how to relate to others in our field of ministry?