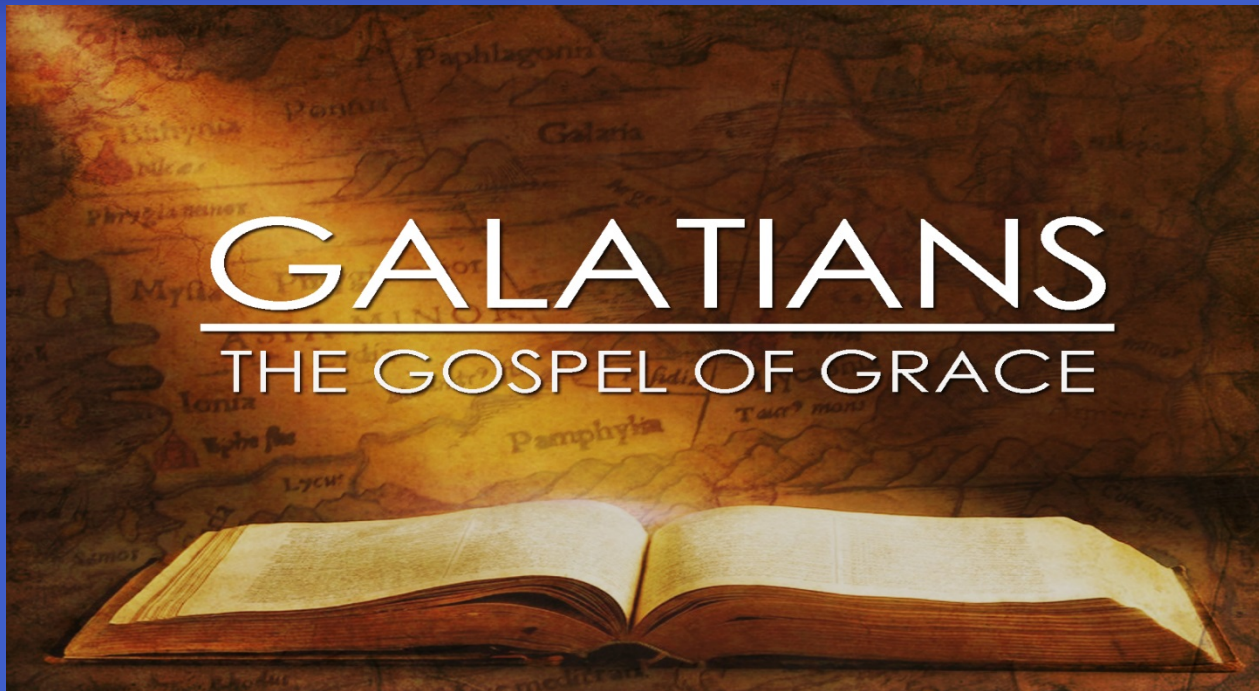


Paul's Epistle to the Galatians



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The Text:

Galatians 2:11-21!

The Theme:

The Gospel of Jesus Christ!

The Title:

When is Confrontation Biblical?

Paul Writes to Defend Three Truths That are Under Attack:

1ST ... His calling as a MESSENGER of God's Gospel!

2ND ... The MESSAGE of the Gospel which he preached!

3RD ... His MINISTRY to the Gentiles!

The Outline of Galatians!

I. (1:1-10) The **PROLOGUE** to the Galatians.

II. (1:11-2:21) The **PERSONAL** defense of Paul:

- A. **The Focus:** Paul's personal authority.
- B. **The Message:** Paul's authority is from God.

III. (3:1-4:31) The **POLEMIC** argument of Paul:

- A. **The Focus:** The two gospels: Faith vs Works.
- B. **The Message:** Paul's message (of grace through faith) is God's message.

IV. (5:1-6:10) The **PRACTICAL** exhortation of Paul:

- A. **The Focus:** The application of two gospels.
- B. **The Message:** God's gospel liberates while man's gospel is labor-sum.

V. (6:11-18) The **POSTLUDE** to the Galatians.

The Overview of the Section!

I.(1:1-10) The **PROLOGUE** to the Galatians.

II. (1:11-2:21) The **PERSONAL** defense of Paul's authority: .

A. **The Focus:** Paul's Personal Authority.

B. **The Message:** Paul's Authority is from God / Not man.

1. (1:11-24) He explains his **Calling** is from God (not men)!

2. (2:1-10) He **Clarifies** his authority in his autobiography!

3. (2:11-21) He **Corrects** Peter and establishes his authority!

Today's Sermon Outline!

I. (2:11-13) Peter's **DEVIATION** from the Gospel!

A. (v.11) The **Clash** with Peter.

B. (v.12) The **Cause** for the clash.

C. (v.13) The **Consequences** of Peter's deviation.

II. (2:14-21) Paul's **DISCOURSE** about the Gospel!

A. (v.14a) Paul's **Reaction** to Peter's deviation.

B. (vs.14b-16) Paul's **Response** to Peter.

C. (vs.17-21) Paul **Reasons** over the discord.

Applying the Truth from Today's Sermon!

1. **As believers we are accountable to one another.** We do not have the right to live our lives as we please, expecting everybody else to look the other way. We are to stand-up and be steadfast for what we know is true.
2. **As believers we do impact one another.** Whether or not people actually model their lives after ours, we are influencing them for the better or worst. As Christians we are called to live in a way that bring glory/honor to God.
3. **As believers we bring glory and honor to God by loving for one another.** Our lives are living proof of God's Gospel message – that salvation is by God's grace through our faith in Christ alone. Thus, we are to be living testimonies of God's wondrous love – John 3:16!