>>> Winter Bible Study Galatians >>> Week 5 - The "Works" Gospel

Galatians 2:16-21

On last week in the fourth lesson, the Apostles Paul and Peter meet in Antioch and a public confrontation ensues. Paul accuses Peter of being a hypocrite and confusing others (like Barnabas) because Peter first participated in full fellowship with Gentile converts and only pulled back after friends of James came to town and instigated. Peter appeared to have been more afraid of the Circumcision Party than protecting the

truth of the gospel. We learn that Christian leadership can be in error and gravely lead others to errors as well. Paul goes on to show that our salvation is built on two principles, justification and faith.

Justification is the ability to be made right (or righteous) by one who is the Judge. Faith is then the belief that justification is made possible and available, and knowing that it comes only on account of Jesus Christ, the author and finisher of our faith and propitiation of our sins. In this lesson, we dig deeper and explore the opposite of justifying faith, works of the law or the "works" gospel.

- personal history & testimony (Chapters 1-2)
- doctrinal or theological

considerations (Chapters 3-4)

• challenge to spiritual living (Chapters 5-6)

- A. Paul and Peter in Antioch continues (verses 16-21)
- 1. What is meant by the following statement—

No human being can be justified by keeping the law.

- 2. Is there any amount of sin that can unforgiven?
- 3. Give a verse of scripture that relates sin and grace. [Romans 5:20]
- 4. Why does Paul introduce the paradox that is verse 17?

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B. Other Scriptures on the matter of a

"works" gospel

- 1. Ephesians 2:1-16
- 2. 1 Corinthians 1:25-30
- 3. Hebrews 11:1-3
- 4. Colossians 2:6-14
- 5. Philippians 3:1-11
- 4. Romans 8

C. Christ died for nothing!

Give an argument that would make this statement true?

D. New Testament Books divided:

- 1. Audience all: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts, Revelation
- 2. Circumcision Party: Hebrews, James, Peter 1 & 2, John 1, 2 & 3, Jude
- 3. Gentiles: Romans, Corinthians 1&2, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians,

Colossians, Thessalonians 1 & 2, Timothy 1 & 2, Philemon

* The Interlinear Bible is a word-forword translation Hebrew/Greek/ English

if you purchase one, get the New American Standard version (this text sits in margin)

** Strong's Concordance is a resource that shows where in scripture a particular word is

used and if the translated word is the same or different