

Living in Alignment With The Gospel
Galatians 2.11-21
August 18, 2013
Message Outline



1. A Sudden Change in Peter's Diet

Huh?

Galatians 2.11-12

Sin Leaks

Galatians 2.13

What is the "Why" behind the "Why"?

Galatians 2.12-16

Justification:

I am loved and accepted by Jesus even though my sin is a horrible affront to God.

Living in Alignment with the Gospel:

Fear is displaced by Jesus' crazy hospitality

2. Too Much Grace Grows Careless Christians

A Dangerous Gospel?

Galatians 2.17-18

There's been a Crucifixion: Me! And a New Captain

Galatians 2.19-21

As I ponder, and respond to my loving and accepting Captain,
He gives me new desire and new power to love, repent, conquer fears,
give up rights, serve one another, and obey Him.

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Growth Group Questions



1. Read our teaching passage, Galatians 2.11-21, and summarize what's happening here in Antioch.

2. Rather than using guilt to motivate Peter ("Peter, you did a bad thing"), Paul encourages with the Gospel (what Jesus has done for Peter, Galatians 2.14-16). How can we motivate ourselves, and others less with guilt and more with the Gospel?

3. Like Peter, we too have fears which can shape how we live and interact with people around us. Think about and share a fear of yours. Be honest. How do your fears adversely affect you? Keep you from moving forward or obeying God? How could living in alignment with the Gospel help you conquer these fears?

4. Read Galatians 2.20, remembering the context of Galatians and our passage. No illustration is perfect, of course. Sunday we used the picture of a tandem bike to help us understand the great gospel truth of Galatians 2.20.
 - a. How is this picture helpful in understanding living in alignment with the Gospel?

 - b. What about other illustrations, such as "giving Jesus the steering wheel of my life," or "letting Jesus sit on the throne of my life," etc. How are they helpful? How are they not?

 - c. If you really have died with Jesus and you no longer live, but He lives in you, how will this affect your bad attitude, discontentment, anger, use of your money, where you invest yourself or your friendships?