
GALATIANS 2 STUDY QUESTIONS

******In verses 1- 10, Paul is referring to a meeting that occurred in Jerusalem called the “Jerusalem council” mentioned in Acts 15:1-29. Please read this passage to gain a clearer understanding of this chapter.

1. Who went to Jerusalem with Paul?
2. What do you think it means that Paul went to Jerusalem because of a revelation? Did he go there on his own accord?
3. In verse 2, who are the seemingly influential, or “those who are of reputation” that Paul is referring to? (Hint: verse 9) What was he going to talk to these men about?
4. Why was it important that he talked to these men first before going to the whole church? What does his going to them first have to do with his “not running in vain”?
5. In verse 3, why was Titus not forced to be circumcised?
6. What are the false brothers mentioned in verse 4? Do you think Jesus’ warning in Matthew 7:15 is applicable here?
7. In verse 5, why do you think Paul was fighting so hard against these Judaizers? Do you think this kind of Gospel perversion happens today? Can you think of any examples?
8. As the ones who were respected as the three pillars in the church, did Peter, James and John need to correct Paul’s doctrine?
9. In verses 7-8, how did the Holy Spirit lead Paul and Peter to focus their Gospel ministry differently? Does He lead people similarly today?
10. What was the one thing that the Jerusalem church asked Paul and his brothers to remember?

11. In verses 11-13, what was Peter doing wrong that Paul opposed him for?
12. Was Peter the only one doing it?
13. In verses 15 and 16, how does Paul say we are justified? Can obeying the law justify anyone?
14. In verse 17, how does Peter's actions go against what being justified in Christ is all about?
15. What are the "things which (Paul) destroyed" or tore down to which he is referring in verse 18?
16. Verses 19-20 can seem a bit confusing. Think about them and give a brief explanation in your own words.
17. Paul says in verse 21 that if righteousness were through the law, then Christ would have died in vain. Explain why this is true.