



“Hypocrisy”

*Out of Step with the Gospel Truth
Galatians 2:11-21*

Hypocrisy involves our:

I. **Behavior** – “walked not uprightly according” (vs. 11-14)

Hypocrisy is:

- A. **Inconsiderate** – “he withdrew and separated himself”
- B. **Inconsistent** – “not uprightly according to...the gospel”
- C. **Insistent** – “compellest...Gentiles to live as do the Jews”

II. **Belief** – “even we have believed in Jesus Christ” (vs. 15-18)

Hypocrisy ignores:

- A. **Favor** – “who are Jews by nature, and not sinners”
- B. **Faith** – “man is not justified by the works of the law”
- C. **Fault** – “Christ the minister of sin...God forbid.”

III. **Boast** – “if righteousness comes by the Law” (vs. 19-21)

Hypocrisy minimizes our salvation’s:

- A. **Purpose** – “that I might live unto God”
- B. **Payment** – “who loved me, and gave Himself for me”
- C. **Preciousness** – “then Christ is dead in vain”

Sentence Sermon:

*“The Christian life is a continual realignment
to the straightening effect of the Word of God.”*

Additional Verses

- **Romans 11:6**
- **Psalms 32:1-2**
- **Romans 2:25-29**
- **II Peter 3:15**
- **Romans 6:1-2; 7:4, 6-7**
- **Acts 10:34-35, 43-45; 11:1-3**
- **Acts 15:7-9**
- **Matthew 15:1-10**
- **Romans 8:33**
- **II Corinthians 5:21**
- **I Peter 5:12**
- **II Peter 3:15-16**

Questions to Ponder:

1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
2. Who is the central character of the passage?
3. What is the underlying issue Paul confronted Peter about?
4. Why is it significant that Barnabas also was carried away?
5. What is the “truth of the gospel” Paul references in v. 14?
6. What does it mean that Peter was living like Gentiles?
7. How would you explain the doctrine of justification?
8. What are some key phrases about justification in verse 16?
9. How would you explain the “exchanged life” in verse 20?
10. How does v. 21 answer the question, “Are the heathen lost?”
11. How has God worked in your life to correct your actions to be more consistent with your stated beliefs?