

DEFINITIONS

Use a Greek dictionary to define the following words.

- **Straightforward** (2:14).
- **Justified** (2:16).

Explain the meaning of the phrase “sinners of the Gentiles” (2:15).

Thought Questions

What was Paul’s purpose in revealing this confrontation with Peter?

Why would Paul publicly rebuke such a prominent and respected figure like the apostle Peter (1 Tim. 5:19-20)?

Galatians 2:11-21

Paul Confronts Peter

- 1 Why was Peter to be “blamed” (2:11-12)?
- 2 How powerful of an influence was Peter’s hypocrisy (2:13)?
- 3 In what ways can we be guilty of the same hypocrisy (James 2:1-9)?
- 4 What question did Paul ask of Peter (2:14)?
- 5 Of what did Peter need to be reminded (2:16)?
- 6 Why would Paul ask if Christ was a “minister of sin”, since the answer is obvious (2:17)?
- 7 How would Paul have made himself a transgressor (2:18)?
- 8 Explain the meaning of 2:19.
- 9 If our salvation is dependent upon the law, then Christ’s death is _____ (2:21).
- 10 Peter had by **revelation** received that God had accepted the Gentiles in the same manner as the Jews (Acts 10), and that all men are justified by faith, not by the works of the law (Acts 15:8-11). He had vigorously defended this position more than once in the presence of prominent Jews (Acts 11,15). Yet, **even Peter** caved under this intense Jewish pressure to shun his Gentile brethren. What lessons can we learn from this?

What If...?

- ➔ Christ refused to eat with sinners because of fear of the Jews (Matthew 9:9-13)?
- ➔ Paul refused to rebuke Peter because of fear of confrontation?

“God has not given us a spirit of fear”