

# False Gospels / Justified by Faith

*Read Galatians 1:1-2:21*

What was the crisis taking place in Galatia? Why did Paul take issue with the gospel the Galatians were teaching?

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How did Paul differentiate his calling from the calling of the other apostles?

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Describe the implications of election and predestination for believers.

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Why did Paul meet with Peter during his first visit to Jerusalem? What do you think they discussed?

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Why did Paul say he returned to Jerusalem?

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What were some features of the “false brothers”? What was their error?

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What made Paul unique among the apostles from Jerusalem? What did he have in common with them?

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What event led to Paul rebuking Peter?

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# Abraham's Seed / Heirs of God

*Read Galatians 3:1-4:31*

What is a rhetorical question? How does Paul use this device, and how effective do you think he was at using it?

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How does Paul use the example of Abraham to illustrate justification by faith?

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Why does Paul say the law is a curse? How does the law limit people?

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What is the purpose of the law, according to Paul?

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What is the doctrine of adoption, and what does it include?

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Why is the concept of sonship such good news to those bound by the law?

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What danger did Paul warn the Galatians about? Why was he so invested in their growth as believers?

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Why do you think Paul used Hagar and Sarai as an illustration?

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# Christian Freedom / Sharing the Load

*Read Galatians 5:1-6:18*

List some differences between works of the flesh and the Fruit of the Spirit.

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What does Paul mean when he tells the Galatians not to “fall from grace”? Does this negate the “once saved always saved” belief? Why or why not?

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What is the implication of the term “fruit” when Paul lists the Fruit of the Spirit?

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How can we cultivate the Fruit of the Spirit in our lives?

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Paul contrasted people who are “fleshly” with “spiritual” people. What does he mean by “spiritual”?

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What does Paul mean by “restoring a brother” from sin?

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How does Paul explain the concept of “reaping” and “sowing”? How does this apply to the situation at Galatia?

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What does Paul mean by “boasting in the cross”? How does he contrast this against teachings of “false teachers”?

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