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Galatians 2:11-21

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Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion*



- When have you felt pressured by people in a church to act or be a certain way? How did that feel? What did you do?
- Read Galatians 2:11-21. What are the main points of contention between Paul and Peter (Cephas)? What is Peter doing that sparks the confrontation?
- Why does Paul label Peter's behavior "hypocrisy"? Was Peter guilty of a wrong theology, wrong practices, or both?
- What is the larger effect of Paul opposing Peter publicly?
 When do you think public confrontation is right versus wrong?
- How would you (and your small group) define briefly these significant terms introduced by Paul: faith, the law, and justified/made righteous?
- According to Paul, how can a person be justified or made righteous? What will the impact be on their relationships with others as well as their relationship with God?
- Based on his statements here, how would you describe Paul's own relationship with Jesus Christ? What might he experience internally? What would be seen in his actions and attitudes?
- Where do you see examples of hypocrisy within the Church today? How is this out of step with the truth of the gospel (2:14)? What can and should be done?
- What can or does it mean for you personally to affirm like Paul, "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me"? How would you like to see this affect you in daily life? How can your small group or others support and pray for you in this?

^{*}Select or adapt questions to fit the needs and makeup of your group.