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Life, Liberty, The Pursuit – Part 2
Galatians 2:11-21

Gal. 2:21 *I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness comes through the Law, then Christ died needlessly.*

Point: You nullify grace when:

You Nullify Grace When You:

I. Live for what _____.

Gal. 2:11-13 *But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. 12 For prior to the coming of certain men from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles; but when they came, he began to withdraw and hold himself aloof, fearing the party of the circumcision. 13 The rest of the Jews joined him in hypocrisy, with the result that even Barnabas was carried away by their hypocrisy.*

- Cephas - _____
- Issue - _____

II. Act like you _____.

Gal. 2:14-16 *But when I saw that they were not straightforward about the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas in the presence of all, "If you, being a Jew, live like the Gentiles and not like the Jews, how is it that you compel the Gentiles to live like Jews? 15 "We are Jews by nature and not sinners from among the Gentiles; 16 nevertheless knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law but through faith in Christ Jesus, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, so that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the Law; since by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified."*

Not straightforward about the truth:

- Peter's words:
 - "Everyone who believes in Jesus receives forgiveness of sins." (Acts 10:43)
 - "God therefore gave to them (Gentiles) the same gift as He gave to us (Jews) after believing in the Lord Jesus Christ." (Acts 11:17)
 - "We believe that we are saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, in the same way as they also are." (Acts 15:11)
- Peter's actions:
 - If you want to really be a part of the church you have to keep all of the Old Testament Law and Jewish tradition.

III. Try to live on _____ without Christ.

Gal. 2:19-21 *"For through the Law I died to the Law, so that I might live to God. 20 I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me. 21 I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness comes through the Law, then Christ died needlessly."*



Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!

1. Who am I afraid to associate with? Why?
2. Do I trust in God's grace for my own life, liberty, and pursuit?
3. What does who I eat with communicate about what I believe about God? What does how I act when the church folk are watching communicate what I really believe?
4. When could I be guilty of living by grace, but not offering grace to others?
5. What would it look like to be a person who has convictions and eats with everyone?

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