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PAUL'S DEFENSE FOR THE TRUTH OF THE GOSPEL Pt. 3

(Galatians 2:11-14)

I. PAUL DEFENDS HIS AUTHORITY AND THE ORIGINATION OF HIS GOSPEL

- A. PAUL'S INTRODUCTION (1:1-5)
- **B.** The Galatians DESERTION from the True Gospel. (1:6-10)
- C. Paul's HISTORICAL DEFENSE of the Divine Origin of the True Gospel (1:11-24)
- D. Paul's DEFENSE for the TRUTH of the Gospel at Jerusalem and Antioch (2:1-14)
 - 1. CONFERRING with the Apostles in Jerusalem (2:1-3)
 - 2. CONTENDING with false brethren (2:4-5)
 - **3. CONFIRMATION** from the Apostles (2:6-10)

4. CONFRONTATION with Peter publically at Antioch (2:11-14)

- a. Paul explained how he went ______ to _____ in public, challenging the Apostle Peter because he was to be ______ for his inconsistencies (v. 11).
- b. Peter had been comfortable eating with the ______ at Antioch, i.e., until legalists came from his home church in Jerusalem, he then withdrew and ______ himself from the Gentiles (v. 12a).
- c. The root sin of Peter was the _____ of ____, rather than of the _____ (v. 12b).

* Can a true believer who is informed really behave so hypocritically?

- d. Legalism always instills ______ and _____ because it makes acceptance with God and church contingent on one's ______.
- e. Peter of all people knew better than to question whether there was still a ______ of separation or ______ between Jew and Gentile (Acts 10).

* What do the Scriptures teach about the Body of Christ (Eph. 2:8-22)?

f. Peter was ______alone in his hypocrisy, because ______ the other Jews went along with his inconsistent grace practice; to the extent that even ______ was caught up by the peer pressure.

* What does this experience say to church leaders?

* What is the only proper basis of separation (Rom. 16:17-18)?

g. Paul's main concern in Antioch was the _____ of the _____ (v. 14a), which happened to be his main concern with the pseudo brethren in Jerusalem (v. 5b).

* What relevancy does this story have with this letter to the Galatians?

- h. There are some lessons to be learned from Paul's confrontation with Peter, it was done...
 - (1) _____ "to his face" (v. 11)
 - (2) ______ to maintain the "*truth of the Gospel*" (v. 14)
 - (3) ______ *"before them all"* (v. 14)
 - (4) ______ fashioned, based on doctrine and not personal differences (v. 14)
 - * How can this truth be applied in your own life?