

Galatians 2:11~16

Title: The gospel of free grace and the danger of hypocrisy.

The passage before us, is the key passage to understand the doctrine of justification. As we understand what it means by “we are justified by faith”, this really deepens our understanding of Christ’s work and therefore leads us to understand and enjoy the gospel of free grace.

- 1. What it means by “sinners being justified by faith”**
 - a. Paul comparing 2 ways of salvation: work of the law vs through faith in Christ.
 - b. The definition of being “justified by faith”
 - i. It is God’s declaration.
 - ii. The ground of God’s declaration:
 1. Christ’s work on the cross
 2. His perfect obedience.
 3. Christ alone is therefore, the ground of our justification.

- 2. What it means to live “in step with the truth of the gospel” as Paul states in verse 14.**
 - a. Justification by faith means we are saved by one faith and this should lead us remove the barrier of division and call for fellowship regardless of our backgrounds.
 - b. Why it is a problem, when we do not live, in step with the gospel.
 - i. Peter’s example
 1. Action speaks louder than words.
 2. A bad influence.