

Galatians 2:13-16

13. And the rest of the Jews also **played the HYPOCRITE** with him, so that **even Barnabas was carried away with their HYPOCRISY.**

- **Matthew 23:13-15** "But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, _____! For you _____ up the _____ of heaven against men; for you neither go in yourselves, nor do you allow those who are entering to go in. Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, _____! For you devour widow's houses, and for a pretense make long prayers. Therefore you will receive _____ condemnation. Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, _____! For you travel land and sea to win one proselyte, and when he is won, you make him twice as much a _____ of _____ as yourselves."

Definition: "Played the HYPOCRITE" - The dictionary defines "hypocrite" as "A person who pretends to be what he or she is not; **one who pretends to be better, more virtuous or pious than is really so.**" To say they believed that salvation is by faith in Jesus Christ and by God's grace, and not by our own works or good deeds, and yet to place these Jewish restrictions on the Gentile believers, or upon themselves, was **to be SAYING one thing and yet LIVING another thing**, or in other words, being a hypocrite. Jesus had a lot to say against the sin of hypocrisy! To the Jewish leaders of His day, the Pharisees, **He condemned them for appearing righteous on the outside, but on the INSIDE, in their HEARTS, they were full of sin and unrighteousness.**

- **Matthew 23:23** "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, _____! For you pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have _____ the weightier (more important) matters of the law: _____ and _____ and _____. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone."
- **Matthew 23:25-30** "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, _____! For you cleanse the _____ of the cup and dish, but _____ they are full of extortion and self-indulgence. Blind Pharisee, first _____ the _____ of the cup and dish, that the outside of them may be clean also. Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, _____! For you are like whitewashed tombs which indeed _____ beautiful _____, but inside are full of dead men's bones and all _____. Even so _____ also _____ appear _____ to men, but inside you are _____ of _____ and lawlessness. Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, _____! Because you build the tombs of the prophets and adorn the monuments of the righteous, and say, 'If we had lived in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.'"

Definition: "Barnabas was CARRIED AWAY with their HYPOCRISY" - If we are more concerned about **what PEOPLE think of us ("the fear of man")** instead of **what GOD thinks of us ("the fear of the Lord")**, then it is easy to be carried away and go along with the wrong-doings of others, especially of so-called Christians. King Saul in the Old Testament is an example of this (I Samuel 15:24), as **he allowed people to influence him, and his "fear of man" was greater than his desire to obey God.** He was too weak to stand up to other peoples' suggestions, and he ended up disobeying God, and as a consequence, he lost the right to be king of Israel. In the case here, of Barnabas and Peter, it was only **a temporary departure into hypocrisy, and they repented, and God FORGAVE them** and used them in spite of their mistakes.

- **I Samuel 15:24** "Then _____ said to Samuel, 'I have _____, for I have transgressed the _____ of the _____ and your words, because I _____ the _____ and _____ their _____.'"
- **Proverbs 29:25** "The _____ of _____ brings a snare (trap, problems), but whoever _____ in the _____ shall be safe."

14-15. But when I saw that they were not straightforward about the truth of the gospel, I said to Peter before them all, '**If you, BEING a JEW, LIVE in the MANNER of GENTILES** and not as the Jews, why do you compel Gentiles to live as Jews? We who are **Jews by NATURE, and NOT SINNERS of the GENTILES.**

- **Matthew 9:11** "And when the _____ saw it, they said to His disciples, 'Why does your Teacher _____ with tax collectors and _____?'"
- **Romans 3:7-14** "For if the truth of God has increased through my lie to His glory, why am I also still _____ as a _____? And why not say, 'Let us do evil that good may come'? - as we are slanderously reported and as some affirm that we say. Their condemnation is just. What then? Are we _____ than _____? Not at all. For we have previously _____ both _____ and _____ that they are _____ under _____. As it is written, 'There is _____ righteous, no, not one; there is _____ who understands; there is _____ who seeks after God. They have _____ gone out of the way (away from God); they have together become unprofitable (good for nothing); there is _____ who does _____, no, _____ one. Their throat is an open tomb; with their tongues they have practiced _____; the poison of asps is under their lips; whose mouth is _____ of _____ and _____.'"

Definition: "If you, BEING a JEW, LIVE in the MANNER of GENTILES" - After God revealed to Peter that the gospel and salvation could come to the Gentiles just as it did to the Jews, **through faith in Jesus Christ and nothing else**, Peter lived in the freedom of Christ, and ate and fellowshiped with **everyone who was a Believer, whether Jew or Gentile**. Only after these Judaizers came to town and started saying they should not eat with Gentiles, and that the Gentiles must keep the Jewish law ("why do you compel Gentiles to live as Jews?" - verse 14), did Peter revert to his former lifestyle.

- **Acts 10:28** "Then he said to them, 'You know how _____ it is for a _____ man to keep _____ with or go to [the house of] one of another nation (the Gentiles). But _____ has _____ me that I should _____ call any _____ common or _____.'"
- **Acts 11:2-12** "And when _____ came up to _____, those of the _____ contended (argued) with him, saying, 'You went in to uncircumcised men and _____ with them!' But Peter explained it to them in order from the beginning, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying; and in a trance I _____ a _____, an object descending like a great sheet, let down from heaven by four corners; and it came to me. When I observed it intently and considered, I saw four-footed _____ of the earth, wild _____, creeping things, and birds of the air. And I heard a voice saying to me, "Rise, Peter, _____ and _____.'" But I said, "Not so, Lord!" For nothing common or _____ has at any time entered my _____,' But the voice answered me again from heaven, "What _____ has _____ you must _____ call common." Now this was done three times, and all were drawn up again into heaven. At that very moment, three _____ stood before the house where I was, having been sent to me from Caesarea. Then the _____ told

me to go with them, doubting nothing. Moreover these six brethren accompanied me, and we _____ the _____ house."

Definition: "Jews by NATURE, and NOT SINNERS of the GENTILES" - The Jews always thought **they were better than the Gentiles just because they had been born as Jews**. However, God's word says that no one is righteous apart from the righteousness of Jesus Christ being imputed to them at the time of salvation (Romans 4:5-8, II Corinthians 5:21). **In God's eyes, the Jews were no better than the non-Jews**, and He has some pretty harsh things to say about those who think they are righteous apart from Jesus Christ. The Bible tells us that **ALL of us are SINNERS, and we are saved by GRACE through FAITH, as a FREE GIFT from God, not by keeping the Jewish laws.**

- **Ephesians 2:8-9** "For by _____ you have been _____ through _____, and that _____ of yourselves (or your works), it is the _____ of _____; not of _____, lest anyone should boast."
- **Galatians 2:16** "Knowing that a man is not _____ by the _____ of the law but by _____ in _____, even we have _____ in Christ Jesus, that we might be _____ by faith in _____ and _____ by the _____ of the _____; for by the _____ of the law (keeping the Old Testament commandments) _____ flesh (human beings) shall be _____."
- **Romans 3:23** "For _____ have _____ and fall _____ of the glory of God."
- **I Timothy 1:15** "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that _____ came into the world to save _____, of whom I am chief."

16. Knowing that a man is NOT JUSTIFIED by the works of the LAW but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be **JUSTIFIED by FAITH in CHRIST** and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified."

- **Romans 8:3** "For what the _____ could _____ do, in that it was _____ through the _____, God did by _____ His own _____ in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of _____: condemned _____ in the flesh."
- **Acts 13:39** "And by Him (Jesus) everyone who _____ is _____ from _____ things from which you could _____ be justified by the _____ of _____."
- **Matthew 26:41** "Watch and pray, lest you enter into _____. The spirit indeed is _____, but the _____ is _____."

Definition: "WEAK through the FLESH" - "Flesh" in this context means primarily our HUMAN WILL. Our HUMAN WILLPOWER is too WEAK to keep us from sinning or to give us the POWER to OBEY GOD at all times. **We cannot live the Christian life (and in the Old Testament they could NOT KEEP GOD'S LAWS) by GOOD INTENTIONS and human WILLPOWER.**

- **Romans 5:1-2** "Therefore, having been _____ by _____, we have _____ with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by _____ into this _____ in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God."
- **Romans 3:23-24** "Being _____ freely (as a gift) by His _____ through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus." (Verse 28)

"Therefore we conclude that a man is _____ by _____ apart from the deeds of the law."

- **Luke 18:13-14** "And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God be _____ to me a _____!' 'I tell you, this man went down to his house _____ rather than the other; for everyone who _____ himself will be abased (put down, humbled), and he who _____ himself will be _____."
- **Titus 3:7** "That having been _____ by His _____ we should become heirs according to the hope of _____."

Definition: "A man is NOT JUSTIFIED by the works of the LAW but by faith in Jesus Christ" - Justification or the ACT of being justified means that God by His GRACE declares **RIGHTEOUS** the sinner who believes on Jesus Christ. It is **NOT a process of becoming** righteous, it is a **ONE-TIME ACT of GRACE** - we are MADE **RIGHTEOUS** the moment we accept Jesus as our Savior! It is NOT merely FORGIVENESS, although forgiveness is INCLUDED - God does indeed FORGIVE AND FORGET OUR SINS. However, **JUSTIFICATION means God even FORGETS THAT WE WERE EVER SINNERS!** There is NO MORE RECORD of our sins. Being justified before God is by FAITH in Jesus Christ alone, plus nothing else. **Your WORKS, including trying to keep the Old Testament Law of Moses, will not ADD anything to what Jesus did for you on the cross.** If you have placed your FAITH in Jesus Christ to save you, BELIEVING that He PAID for your sins on the cross, you do NOT have to work to KEEP yourself saved, because you are already completely saved, and you will never lose it or become unsaved. You cannot earn your salvation by works, and you don't have to work to keep it. The "**working out**" or outward manifestation of the salvation that is already inside you (Phil. 2:12-13), is the process of **growing to Christ-likeness** and having His image formed in you.

- **Romans 5:9** "Much more then, having now been _____ by His _____, we shall be _____ from _____ through Him."
- **Romans 4:5** "But to him who does not _____ (doing good deeds in order to try to earn salvation) but _____ on Him who _____ the ungodly, his _____ is accounted for _____."
- **Titus 3:5-7** "_____ by _____ of righteousness which we have _____, but according to His _____ He _____ us; by the washing of regeneration, and the renewing of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior. That having been _____ by His _____ we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life"
- **Romans 6:15** "What then? Shall we _____ because we are _____ under _____ but under _____? Certainly not!"

Definition: "Not UNDER LAW but UNDER GRACE" - Grace means unmerited or UNEARNED favor, **being accepted and loved by God** when we have done NOTHING and CAN DO NOTHING to EARN or DESERVE it. We are saved by **GRACE through our FAITH** (Ephesians 2:8-9), and NOT by our works or by keeping the Old Testament Law, but that does NOT give us LICENSE to SIN or to live any old way that we please. We **SHOULD** do good works and be **OBEDIENT** to what we know God wants us to do, but as Christians, we are NOT to put ourselves back under the Old Testament Law or **any other form of LEGALISM, RITUALS or keeping ORDINANCES.** No SYSTEM of LAWS or RULES can make a person HOLY. Being "UNDER GRACE" means we are to serve God out of the **motivation of LOVE and GRATITUDE**, and **by the POWER of the HOLY SPIRIT!!**