

GROWTH GROUP

Study Guide

United We Stand – Galatians 2:1-10

My Story

1. Are you usually the sort of person who “goes with the crowd” or “does your own thing”?

Digging Deeper

2. How did the decision about Titus (v.3) confirm the validity of Paul’s message (vv.6+9)? How would the demand for Titus to be circumcised be considered “bondage” (v.4)?
3. Why was it important for Paul to defend the freedom of believers from the legalistic demands of the law advocated by the “false brethren” (vv.4-5)?

4. Why did the elders in Jerusalem ask Paul to remember the poor (v.10)? What does caring for the poor have to do with telling others about Christ?

Reflection

5. How do you feel when your beliefs are contrary to popular opinion? On what issue(s) do you feel like you “stand alone”?
6. What are some examples of man-made religious standards which some Christians impose on others today? Does that happen inside the church, outside the church, both? What is the danger of imposing such standards?

SERMON NOTES

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Taking the Next Step

Ask God to reveal any ways in which you might be focused on external actions or rules for spiritual standing rather than trusting in God's grace. Strive to let go of judgment toward others based on appearances or man-made religious standards.

Praises / Prayer Requests

