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Galatians 2:14-21

“Freed by the Grace of God”

I. Through faith in Christ our sins are blotted out. (vv. 14-16)

14 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? 15 "We [who are] Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles, 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. - **Galatians 2:14-21 NKJV**

13 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, 14 having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

- **Colossians 2:13-14 NKJV**

25 "I, [even] I, [am] He who blots out your transgressions for My own sake; And I will not remember your sins. - **Isaiah 43:25 NKJV**

II. The law declares us guilty. (vv. 17-18)

17 "But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, [is] Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! 18 "For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. - **Galatians 2:14-21 NKJV**

10 For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one [point], he is guilty of all. - **James 2:10 NKJV**

10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written, "Cursed [is] everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them."

- **Galatians 3:10 NKJV**

III. We live by faith in Christ. (vv. 19-21)

19 "For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God. 20 "I have been crucified with Christ; 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 for me. 21 "I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness [comes] through the law, then Christ died in vain." - **Galatians 2:14-21 NKJV**

4 Therefore, my brethren, you also have become dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another--to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God. 5 For when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were aroused by the law were at work in our members to bear fruit to death. 6 But now we have been delivered from the law, having died to what we were held by, so that we should serve in the newness of the Spirit and not [in] the oldness of the letter. - **Romans 7:4-6 NKJV**