

GALATIANS
Confirmation of the Gospel
Galatians 2:1-3

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1. The Jerusalem apostles were in _____ agreement with the gospel that the apostle Paul preached.

- a. Paul presented the _____ he preached to his fellow apostles.
- b. Paul was concerned that the work God had done among the Gentiles would continue and not be hindered by a _____ gospel.
- c. Barnabas could _____ to the truth and the amazing, God-wrought effects of the gospel.
- d. Titus, an uncircumcised Gentile convert, was _____ required to be circumcised for his salvation.

2. The purpose of circumcision confirms the truth of the _____.

- a. Circumcision was instituted as a _____ of the covenant of promise made with Abraham and was to be performed on all the male descendants of Abraham. This promise had its fulfillment in the person and work of Jesus Christ.

- b. Circumcision pointed to the spiritual reality of a circumcised, or regenerated _____.
- c. Circumcision was discontinued as a sign of membership among God's covenant people in the _____ Testament.

*"Paul forcefully told the Galatians that they did not need physical circumcision to enter that covenant relationship with God because they had already entered that covenant relationship by the circumcision of Christ, by receipt of a new _____, by union with His death and resurrection."
- Fred Malone*

- d. The New Testament counterpart to circumcision is not _____, but rather the new heart that God gives to a person through faith in Christ. Therefore baptism is reserved for those who have believed in Jesus Christ for salvation.

*"Baptism professes what circumcision demanded. Circumcision did demand a new heart, indeed, but it did not profess a new heart. Baptism professes a _____ heart."
- Samuel Waldron*