



“Effective Gospel Ministry”

*Liberty in Christ Jesus
Galatians 2:1-10*

A fruitful gospel ministry will:

I. Consult – “communicated unto them that gospel”(vs. 1-2)

Consult with the:

- A. Scripture** – “went up by revelation”
- B. Spiritual** – “privately to them which were of reputation”
- C. Strategy** – “lest...I should run, or had run, in vain”

II. Contend -“our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus”(vs. 3-5)

Contend with those who :

- A. Infiltrate** – “false brethren unawares brought in”
Contend for your Family
- B. Indenture** - “that they might bring us into bondage”
Contend for your Freedom
- C. Impel** – “to whom we gave place by subjection, no, not”
Contend for your Faith

III. Cooperate - “the right hands of fellowship” (vs. 6-10)

Cooperate with the true:

- A. Gospel** – “when they saw the gospel...was committed”
- B. God** - “the same was mighty in me towards the Gentiles”
- C. Grace** - “perceived the grace that was given unto me”

Sentence Sermon:

“Ofentimes the greatest opposition to the gospel ministry comes from within the church.”

Additional Verses

- *Acts 15:6-21*
- *Mark 9:1-8*
- *John 8:32, 36*
- *Acts 11:29-30; 12:25*
- *I Corinthians 15:58*

Ministry to the Poor

- *Proverbs 14:31; 19:17; 22:9*
- *Galatians 2:10; 6:10*
- *Acts 4:34*
- *Leviticus 19:9-10*
- *James 2:14-17*
- *I John 3:16-17*

Questions to Ponder:

1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
2. Who is the central character of the passage?
3. What are Paul's concerns he expresses in this passage?
4. Why did Paul bring Barnabas and Titus to this meeting?
5. What can we adopt from Paul's strategy/actions in vs 2-5?
6. Why didn't Paul give the false brethren a fair hearing?
7. What do you think they “saw” that convinced them in v. 7?
8. What are the essential elements of the true gospel?
9. Why would James, Cephas, and John seem to be pillars?
10. What does it mean to remember the poor? Is it important?
11. What part has God given you in this gospel ministry?
12. How can Falcon Baptist be more effective with the gospel?