



"Two Peoples – One Way" (Part 11)

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Galatians 2:21



15 We [are] Jews by nature and not sinners from among the Gentiles. **16** Yet we know that a man is not justified by works of the Law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have believed in Christ Jesus so that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the Law, since by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified. **17** But if while seeking to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then a minister of sin? May it never be! **18** For if I rebuild what I once destroyed, I prove myself to be a transgressor.

19 For through the Law I died to the Law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ— **20**and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me. **21** I do not nullify the grace of God: for if righteousness [comes] through the Law, then Christ died for no purpose.

— Galatians 2:15-21, translated by T. Bartolucci —

I. Essential Elements of the Gospel in Galatians (vv. 15-21)

A. The Universal Nature of Sin (v. 15-16a)

Two Peoples and Only One Way
Jew or Gentile - there's only one way
to be justified before God.

B. Justification Is by Faith Alone (v. 16)

C. The Believer's Union With Christ (vv. 17-20)

D. Sola Gratia and Solus Christus (v. 21)

1. What is Sola Gratia?

2. What is Solus Christus?

3. What exactly is Paul saying in verse 21?

The **Bible Alone** (*Sola Scriptura*) is our final authority on all matters pertaining to life and doctrine. Those Scriptures teach us that salvation from sin comes by God's **Grace Alone** (*Sola Gratia*) through **Faith Alone** (*Sola Fide*) in **Christ Alone** (*Solus Christus*) to the **Glory of God Alone** (*Sola Deo Gloria*).