

Gal 2:1 Then after an interval of fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along also.

Paul skips the trip in Acts 11:30 perhaps going only to the other churches in Judea. Acts 9:26 the first trip, AD 37-39 (Gal 1:18), 3 years after his baptism (AD 34-36)

14 years later for the Gentiles Acts 15:1-2 (51-53 AD)

Gal 2:2 It was because of a revelation that I went up; and I submitted to them the gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but I did so in private to those who were of reputation, for fear that I might be running, or had run, in vain.

Act 15:4 When they arrived at Jerusalem, they were received by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they reported all that God had done with them.

Gal 2:3 But not even Titus, who was with me, though he was a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised.

Act 16:3 Paul wanted this man to go with him; and he took him and circumcised him because of the Jews who were in those parts, for they all knew that his father was a Greek.

At 57 AD Paul agrees with circumcision for the Jews.

1Co 7:19 Circumcision is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing, but *what matters is* the keeping of the commandments of God.

Act 21:21 and they have been told about you, that you are teaching all the Jews who are among the Gentiles to forsake Moses, telling them not to circumcise their children nor to walk according to the customs.

At 68 AD Paul disagrees with circumcision for the Jews. **All because of God's continuing revelation.**

Gal 3:28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Gal 5:3-4 And I testify again to every man who receives circumcision, that he is under obligation to keep the whole Law. (4) You have been severed from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace.

Gal 2:4 But it was because of the false brethren secretly brought in, who had sneaked in to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, in order to bring us into bondage.

Act 15:1 Some men came down from Judea and *began* teaching the brethren, "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved."

Gal 2:5 But we did not yield in subjection to them for even an hour, so that the truth of the gospel would remain with you.

Act 15:14-15 "Simeon has related how God first concerned Himself about taking from among the Gentiles a people for His name. (15) "With this the words of the Prophets agree, just as it is written,

Act 15:19-21 "Therefore it is my judgment that we do not trouble those who are turning to God from among the Gentiles, (20) but that we write to them that they abstain from things contaminated by idols and from fornication and from what is strangled and from blood. (21) "For Moses from ancient generations has in every city those who preach him, since he is read in the synagogues every Sabbath."

The truth of the Gospel is established by 1) direct command (Acts 15:15); 2) God approved example (Acts 15:7); and 3) the logical and necessary conclusions based on 1) and 2) (Acts 15:19).

Act 15:7 After there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, "Brethren, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles would hear the word of the gospel and believe.

Act 15:15 "With this the words of the Prophets agree, just as it is written,

Gal 2:6 But from those who were of high reputation (what they were makes no difference to me; God shows no partiality)--well, those who were of reputation contributed nothing to me. 7 But on the contrary, seeing that I had been entrusted with the gospel to the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been to the circumcised

Gal 2:9 and recognizing the grace that had been given to me, James and Cephas and John, who were reputed to be pillars, gave to me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship, so that we might go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised.

Act 21:18 And the following day Paul went in with us to James, and all the elders were present.

Gal 2:8 (for He who effectually worked for Peter in his apostleship to the circumcised effectually worked for me also to the Gentiles),

Mat 16:18 "I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it. (19) "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven."

Act 26:16-17 'But get up and stand on your feet; for this purpose I have appeared to you, to appoint you a minister and a witness not only to the things which you have seen, but also to the things in which I will appear to you; (17) rescuing you from the *Jewish* people and from the Gentiles, to whom I am sending you,

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Fellowship = sharing, joint participation. From the Gr. *koinonos* and *metochos*, used in physical matters in Lk 5:7, 10 (partners in fishing vessel) and spiritual matters Acts 2:42 learning of God
I Cor 1:9 with His son
2Co 6:14 in accepting evil
Phil 4:15-16 in support of preachers

Fellowship is never used in the NT of brethren
sharing a meal or snacks!!

Gal 2:10 They only asked us to remember the poor--the very thing I also was eager to do.

As the church Acts 11.27-30 1Co 16.1-2

As the individual

Jas 1:27 Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of *our* God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, *and* to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Gal 2:11-14 But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. For prior to the coming of certain men from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles; but when they came, he began to withdraw and hold himself aloof, fearing the party of the circumcision. The rest of the Jews joined him in hypocrisy, with the result that even Barnabas was carried away by their hypocrisy. But when I saw that they were not straightforward about the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas in the presence of all, "If you, being a Jew, live like the Gentiles and not like the Jews, how is it that you compel the Gentiles to live like Jews?"

Peter's actions take place after the meeting of Acts 15 where certain things were placed on the Gentiles (Acts 15:19-21). This is especially reprehensible in light of his delivery of the gospel to the Gentiles. Acts 10,11 and Acts 15
dissimulation (KJV) = hypocrisy
(NAS, NIV)

Act 11:8-9 "But I said, 'By no means, Lord, for nothing unholy or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' (9) "But a voice from heaven answered a second time, 'What God has cleansed, no longer consider unholy.'

Act 10:28 And he said to them, "You yourselves know how unlawful it is for a man who is a Jew to associate with a foreigner or to visit him; and *yet* God has shown me that I should not call any man unholy or unclean.

Gal 2:15-16 "We are Jews by nature and not sinners from among the Gentiles; (16) nevertheless knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law but through faith in Christ Jesus, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, so that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the Law; since by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified.

Act 13:39 and through Him everyone who believes is freed from all things, from which you could not be freed through the Law of Moses.

Gal 2:17 "But if, while seeking to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have also been found sinners, is Christ then a minister of sin? May it never be!

1Jn 1:5-7 This is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is Light, and in Him there is no darkness at all. (6) If we say that we have fellowship with Him and *yet* walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth; (7) but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Gal 2:18 "For if I rebuild what I have once destroyed, I prove myself to be a transgressor.

1Ti 1:12-13 I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because He considered me faithful, putting me into service; (13) even though I was formerly a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent aggressor. And yet I was shown mercy, because I acted ignorantly in unbelief;

Gal 2:19 "For through the Law I died to the Law, so that I might live to God.

Rom 7:4 Therefore, my brethren, you also were made to die to the Law through the body of Christ, that you might be joined to another, to Him who was raised from the dead, that we might bear fruit for God.

The Law pointed to Christ

Rom 10:2 For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not in accordance with knowledge. (3) For not knowing about God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own, they did not subject themselves to the righteousness of God. (4) For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

Luk 24:44-45 Now He said to them, "These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things which are written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled."

Gal 2:20 "I have been crucified with Christ; and 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 up for me.

2Co 5:7 for we walk by faith, not by sight--

Joh 6:55-58 "For My flesh is true food,
and My blood is true drink. (56) "He
who eats My flesh and drinks My blood
abides in Me, and I in him. (57) "As the
living Father sent Me, and I live because
of the Father, so he who eats Me, he also
shall live because of Me. (58) "This is
the bread which came down out of
heaven; not as the fathers ate, and died,
he who eats this bread shall live forever."

Gal 5:16-17 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. (17) For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.

Gal 2:21 "I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness comes through the Law, then Christ died needlessly."

Act 13:39 and through Him everyone who believes is freed from all things, from which you could not be freed through the Law of Moses.

Heb 9:15-17 And for this reason He is the mediator of a new covenant, in order that since a death has taken place for the redemption of the transgressions that were *committed* under the first covenant, those who have been called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance. (16) For where a covenant is, there must of necessity be the death of the one who made it. (17) For a covenant is valid *only* when men are dead, for it is never in force while the one who made it lives.

Heb 10:10-12 By this will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. ... (12) but He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD,