Bethany Church Small Group Notes in Galatians Freedom: Me, Myself and the Gospel April 17, 2016

As a group read Galatians 2:11-21. *Don't feel pressure to answer all the questions. Talk* through as many as possible and enjoy your time together.

Discuss - What stood out to you, challenged you, or encouraged you from Sunday's message?

Questions:

- In verses 11-14, Paul condemns Peter for acting hypocritically. In what situations do I withdraw from people because of what others might think of me?
- In what situations do I hide my true convictions about who Jesus is?
- In what situations am I more of a people-pleaser than a God-pleaser?
- In verses 15-16, Paul clarifies what the true gospel is. (Justification by faith in Jesus Christ.) Am I relying on who I am or on what I've done for my right standing before God?
- Do I hold other people to this same standard?
- What gospel am I preaching with my actions and my words? What specific actions lead me to believe this?
- In verses 17-21, Paul states that the gospel should guide how we live. Are there people that I don't like to associate with?
- Are there people that I pull away from when my Christian friends are around?
- What price have I had to pay for being friends with non-Christians?
- What needs to happen so that my life preaches the true gospel of Christ?

Pray together as a group.