



## Introduction

*We are saved by faith, not by keeping laws or by being circumcised like Jews.*



## Questions

1. What did they who were respected see that Paul and Peter had been entrusted with?
2. What was Paul zealous to do?
3. What does Paul say about being justified or made right (with God)?



## Summary Points

- **v 1 to 10** Paul lays before the Jerusalem church the Good News he has preached to the Gentiles. He wants to prevent false brothers stopping them from receiving the Good News. They accept that Paul has been sent by God, to give his message to the Gentiles (non-Jews) and Peter to the Jews
- **v 11 to 14** Paul shows the apostle, Peter, that he is wrong in siding with fellow Jews, who want non-Jews to keep Jewish laws
- **v 15 to 19** We are justified (made right with God) by believing and trusting in Jesus (see theme) and all he has done, not by what we do
- **v 20 and 21** The old Paul has been crucified and Christ can now be seen in Paul's life. He gratefully lives having faith in the Son of God who loved him and gave himself for him

**Timeline** AD 60 (see below)



## Theme

### Faith (belief) in Jesus Christ

*A selection of verses showing the importance of having faith (or belief) in Jesus Christ.*

John says he has written so that others may believe and so have life:

*John 20 verse 31*

Peter stresses that there is no other way to be saved:

*Acts 4 verse 12*

He also tells his fellow believers that they and the Gentiles (non-Jews) are saved through the grace (unmerited favour) of Jesus Christ:

*Acts 15 verse 11*

We must believe in the resurrection of Jesus:

*Romans 10 verse 9*

We are not justified (made right with God) by what we do, but by faith in Jesus Christ:

*Galatians 2 verse 16*

Non-Jews (Gentiles) receive the blessing of Abraham by faith in Jesus:

*Galatians 3 verse 14*

Baptism is part of expressing our faith in Jesus Christ:

*Galatians 3 verses 26 to 28*

The apostle Paul tells Timothy that the rest of the Bible helps us learn about salvation through faith in Jesus:

*2 Timothy 3 verse 15*



Belief in Jesus involves obeying him and showing love to others:  
*1 John 3 verse 23*

## ? Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 6 and 7, Q 2: v 10, Q 3: v 16

## Bible timeline

