

## **ARE YOU LEGAL?** **GALATIANS 2:1-19**

*How did you see God working in your life this week? (Romans 1:11, 12)*

**LEGAL BY JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH**--Justification is an instantaneous legal act of God in which He declares our sins forgiven and Christ's righteousness as ours. Having no goodness of my own, I have been declared righteous by God because of the work of Jesus on the cross. Man is not always as bad as he can be, but he is incapable of doing good works of the sort that would merit his salvation. (**Galatians 2:1-19, fn 2:11ff, Galatians 3:23-25, fn 3:24, 25, Romans 3:21-31**) *How was Peter wrong?*

**LEGAL NOT BY SELF-EFFORT (LAW, MY WORKS)** **Galatians 2:15-19, fn 2:17-19, Galatians 3:1-5, fn 3:5[1<sup>st</sup>], Galatians 5:4, fn 5:2-4**) *How have your own attempts at justification by self-effort, rule-keeping, or other performance hindered your devotion to Christ?*

**LEGAL BY FAITH ALONE** (**Galatians 2:16, Galatians 3:5, fn 3:5[1<sup>st</sup>], Hebrews 11:6, Romans 3:27, 28, fn 3:28**) *As you live the Christian life, how does "faith alone" in Jesus Christ give you victory over sin's power?*

*Check up—Are you praying with your spouse and your family? Group—Pray for personal requests and bond together by fellowshiping together.*