

## The passage (Galatians 2:15-21)

### Rigid Translation

We are by nature Jews and not sinners from the nations.  
But, knowing that a man from the works of the law is not found righteous  
except through the faith of Jesus the Messiah,  
we also have believed into the Messiah Jesus,  
so that we would be found righteous by the faith of the Messiah  
and not from the works of the law,  
because from the works of the law all flesh will not be found righteous.

But, if seeking to be found righteous in the Messiah we were found also ourselves to be sinners, then is the Messiah an agent of sin?

By no means!

For if I build up again the same things I tore down, I demonstrate myself a transgressor.

For I myself, through the law, died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with the Messiah.

And I myself no longer live, but the Messiah lives in me.

And that which I now live in flesh, I live by faith – the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and delivered himself up for me.

I do not nullify the grace of God,

for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died in vain.

### Point of Agreement (v. 15-16)

Even Jews must believe into Christ Jesus in order to be \_\_\_\_\_

Righteousness is to be found only in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Messiah

The rhetorical force of verses 15-16:

- In the conversation with Peter:
  
  
- In the context of Galatians:

Paul's emphasis in his quotation of Psalm 143 highlights the fact that the works of the law are insufficient to justify one who is in the \_\_\_\_\_

### The Argument (v. 17)

What does he mean by “we were found also ourselves to be sinners?”

This is most evident in the Jewish Christians willingness to abandon Jewish \_\_\_\_\_

Following in the footsteps of Jesus:

Luke 7:34

Matthew 9:11

Luke 15:1-2

The actions of Jesus are \_\_\_\_\_, while those of the disciples are the next step of welcoming those who have been received into \_\_\_\_\_

Paul's answer (v.18-21)

To go now and rebuild the \_\_\_\_\_ would be to make Christians \_\_\_\_\_

Ephesians 2:11-22

The law brought an end to \_\_\_\_\_ through the \_\_\_\_\_

**What does it mean to "die to the law" "through the law"? How does that work?**

In our union with Christ, we share in his \_\_\_\_\_ under the law, and now in his \_\_\_\_\_

**What is the implication of being crucified with Christ?**

What is this passage asking of us?

Our \_\_\_\_\_ identity as part of the people of God is bound up in our \_\_\_\_\_ with the Messiah

Reverting to \_\_\_\_\_ (or any \_\_\_\_\_ system) is akin to returning to the dead after \_\_\_\_\_.

All of Romans 6 is application here

The Messiah continues to live out his \_\_\_\_\_ in us and through us