

PETER AND PAUL ~ PART 3

PETER'S MESSAGE AT THE JERUSALEM CONFLICT

"But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they. "

- Acts 15:11

1. Two Concurrent Messages

- a. Do you fast or not fast? -Matt 9:14
- b. Two messages at the same time - John 3:25-30
- c. John's disciples ignorant of the Messiah - Matt 11:2
- d. Prophets were until John; though he was still alive – Matt 11:11-13
- e. John's followers were behind the times in Acts 19
- f. Peter and Paul were both doing God's will

2. Peter justifies His Actions – Acts 11

- a. Thou went to man uncircumcised! – Acts 11:3
- b. God told him and manipulated the events – Acts 11:4-15
- c. What was I to withstand God? – Acts 11:17
- d. None but to the Jews only - Acts 11:19
- e. The start of the change – Saul's conversion, Cornelius, Antioch Grecians, poor saints, James dies, Peter is captured

3. The Conflict About the Law

- a. Continuing in the temple - Acts 2:46; 3:1
- b. Forgiveness of sins justified not by Moses – Acts 13:38-39
- c. Except ye be circumcised ye cannot be saved - Acts 15:1
- d. That there is a conflict proves the messages were different!

4. Disputation in Jerusalem

- a. "necessary...to keep the law of Moses...apostles considered this" – Acts 15:4-6
- b. Begin in Jerusalem - Luke 24:24-29
- c. Far hence to the Gentiles – Acts 22:21
- d. Communicated the gospel which I preach to the Gentiles - Gal 2:1-2
- e. Subjection not for an hour! – Gal 2:5 (them is fightin words!)

5. Peter's Conciliatory Speech

- a. The Gentiles by my mouth - Acts 15:7
- b. Gave them the Holy Ghost as he did us - Acts 15:8 (Acts 10:47)
- c. We believe we shall be saved as they – Acts 15:11
- d. Silence to hear Paul's miracles – 2 Cor 12:12; Gal 2:6-8

6. The Result – The Great Concession

- a. We go to the heathen and they to the circumcision - Gal 2:9
- b. Jerusalem's decline – James lead – Acts 15:14-18
- c. "We gave no such commandment" - Acts 15:24
- d. Peter was to be blamed - Gal 2:11-13