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Elizabeth Baptist Church, Cleve Ohio
Pastor Richard Gibson

Is it worth it? Let it flow!

Galatians 2:1-21

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Deuteronomy 4:-5

Matthew 18:4-7

Galatians 2:21

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Galatians 2: Then after fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along with me. ²I went up in response to a revelation. Then I laid before them (though only in a private meeting with the acknowledged leaders) the gospel that I proclaim among the Gentiles, in order to make sure that I was not running, or had not run, in vain. ³But even Titus, who was with me, was not compelled to be circumcised, though he was a Greek. ⁴But because of false believers secretly brought in, who slipped in to spy on the freedom we have in Christ Jesus, so that they might enslave us—⁵we did not submit to them even for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might always remain with you. ⁶And from those who were supposed to be acknowledged leaders (what they actually were makes no difference to me; God shows no partiality)—those leaders contributed nothing to me. ⁷On the contrary, when they saw that I had been entrusted with the gospel for the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been entrusted with the gospel for the circumcised ⁸(for he who worked through Peter making him an apostle to the circumcised also worked through me in sending me to the Gentiles), ⁹and when James and Cephas and John, who were acknowledged pillars, recognized the grace that had been given to me, they gave to Barnabas and me the right hand of fellowship, agreeing that we should go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised. ¹⁰They asked only one thing, that we remember the poor, which was actually what I was eager to do. ¹¹But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood self-condemned; ¹²for until certain people came from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles. But after they came, he drew back and kept himself separate for fear of the circumcision faction. ¹³And the other Jews joined him in this hypocrisy, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. ¹⁴But when I saw that they were not acting consistently with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, “If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you compel the Gentiles to live like Jews?” ¹⁵We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. ¹⁷But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. ¹⁹For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; ²⁰and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing. (NRSV)

1. Is it worth it to **broaden** your perspective?
2. Is it worth it to be compelled by the Holy Spirit? Is it worth it to **challenge** the status quo?
3. Is it worth it to not submit or consent to being in **bondage**?
4. Is it worth it to acknowledge and **trust** God as Sovereign and the Source? Partiality?
5. Is it worth it to be confident and comfortable with the **gift** within **you**?
6. Is it worth it to do substantive and transformative work for the **poor**?

Deuteronomy 15: ⁴ But there will be no poor among you; for the LORD will bless you in the land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance to possess— ⁵ if only you will strictly obey the voice of the LORD your God, being careful to do all this commandment that I command you today.

¹¹ For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore I command you, ‘You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in your land. See also Mark 14.

7. Is it worth it to **oppose** and call out hypocrisy?
8. Is it worth it to speak out for the **other** group?
9. Is it worth it to understand and **know** about justification and works?
10. Is it worth it to build or erect **barriers**?

Matthew 18: ⁴ Whoever then humbles himself as this child, he is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. ⁵ And whoever receives one such child in My name receives Me; ⁶ but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be better for him to have a heavy millstone hung around his neck, and to be drowned in the depth of the sea. ⁷ ‘Woe to the world because of *its* stumbling blocks! For it is inevitable that stumbling blocks come; but woe to that man through whom the stumbling block comes! (NKJV)

11. Is it worth it to die in the law and **live** in Christ and **faith**?
12. Is it worth it to not nullify or **frustrate** the grace of God? Let it **flow**!

Galatians 2: ²¹ I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain. (KJV)

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Announcing our Keynote Speaker for Heal The Land Night 1: Personal Forgiveness on Thursday 9/24 at [St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima Church](#): * * SKYE JETHANI * *

Skye Jethani is an award-winning author, speaker, consultant and minister. He also serves as the co-host of the popular Holy Post Podcast, a weekly show than blends astute cultural and theological insights with comical conversation. Skye is the president of Measure the Clouds, a non-profit organization helping a post-... [See More](#)

The graphic features a red background with a white heart shape containing the text "Heal the Land" in a stylized font. Below the heart is a collage of 15 small portraits of diverse individuals. To the right is a large portrait of Skye Jethani, a bald man in a black polo shirt, smiling. At the bottom, a green banner displays the dates "SEPTEMBER 24, 25, 26" and "OCTOBER 9, 11". The Community West Foundation logo is in the bottom right corner. A dark blue footer contains the text: "Dynamic Keynote Speakers • Testimonies From Clevelanders • Teaching From Area Church Leaders • Inspiring Music & Singing From Local Choirs and Artists".

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