

OLD SCHOOL : Tear It Down and Keep It Down

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Text: Galatians 2:15-3:6 & Matthew 11:28-30

Religion's Equation -

Gospel's Equation -

What was torn down? The old way of relating to God, self, and others.

Two Realities to Have the Best Fall:

1. It's always grace through faith now & forever.

Galatians 2:15-3:6

It's by His grace that we can die with Him, and it's by His grace that we are alive with Him.

BIG QUESTION - Have you died to yourself, (insert your name here)?

The life we live in this flesh must be lived by faith in Jesus.

2. Remember, and stay in, the posture of a student of Rabbi Jesus.

(*aka...discipleship*)

Matthew 11:28-30

Jesus is always the One who initiates with the invitation to follow Him.

To be yoked to Jesus is amazing grace.

Where there is guilt, shame, indifference, and complacency, there is often a lack of understanding grace.

Food for Thought for the week of August 28, 2016

(Questions and Scriptures for further study and discussion.)

Text: Galatians 2:15-3:6

1. What are some of your "first day of school" memories as a child or parent?
2. What new commitments [resolutions] have you made several times and never followed through on?
3. Galatians 2:15-19 Why do we so easily forget our most basic theology as followers of Christ? Why does "law keeping" not work?
4. In this passage [vs18] what was it that Paul and others "tore down", and what kind of a life is to be built?
5. Bask in Galatians 2:20 as a group by re-reading it and together meditating on each phrase. Tell the group why these truths are so important to remember and why you would get this tattooed on your body if you weren't so chicken!
6. Galatians 3:1-6 What are the basic differences between a life of faith in the Spirit and a life of duty in the flesh?
7. What one thing are you going to do, at the beginning of this new school year, that will "tear down" the old way of doing life in your flesh and build a life of faith dependent on the Holy Spirit?

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