PREACHING CURRICULUM

"Bad theology can spoil the Gospel."

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

What are three key truths that must be embraced to mitigate against the heresy in the Church?_____
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Peter, at a later time would need to be corrected over his prejudices and falsehoods (Galatians 2:11-14), however, here he is doing the correcting. (Acts 15:6-11)? What was it about this message that was so important that Barnabas, Paul and James all give a defence to it's power?_____
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What message was James trying to convey in his message to the believers? What was he saying about rules in the life of a believer?_____
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2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Of the three key truths, which one do you think is the biggest struggle facing the Church today? Which one have you personally struggled with in the past or currently struggle with now and why?_____
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Why do think it's been so difficult for many throughout church history and today to accept the fact that salvation comes only by grace? What has been your personal struggle with this? Do you live out your faith this way or are you tempted to take the credit for your salvation? Why do you think that is? _____
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Do you feel it's outside of the Churches sphere of authority to require rules for the Christian life? Do you struggle with rules or expectations placed on you specifically by the Church? If so, why? _____
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3 APPLY THE TRUTH

When it comes to requirements for the believer, is placing rules or limits for the sake of saving souls an important practice in your life? What are some practical things you could give up that perhaps are unsettling to weaker believers?_____
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How should you respond to people that trouble the Church with words that unsettle you? (I.e. false teachings) How did the early Church handle this issue and what was it that settled the situation? What should this teach us about the Gospel? _____
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How is defending the Gospel of Christ with clarity a priority in your life? Why did it matter so much to the apostles and elders to get it right and why does it still matter today? _____
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4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

How will you commit to defending the Gospel with clarity this week? Remember that it matters eternally. Please share this with someone in your group for accountability._____
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5 PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS

DATE:_____

PERSON	REQUEST	ANSWER/PRAISE REPORT