

**Title:** Let The Truth Continue In You

**Text:** Galatians 2:1-10

**Main Idea:** Sometimes God calls us to contend for the truth of the Gospel.

**Division Statements:**

**1. There is a real threat of false doctrine arising in the church (vv. 1-4).**

Paul describes for us the private side of the Acts 15 controversy. It's important to note the heart of the Judaizer's teaching described in Acts 15:1.

**2. Believers must contend for Gospel truth without yielding (v. 5).**

Note the crucial motivation given for the Apostles' refusal to yield submission to the Judaizers for even "an hour." How does that apply to us and to our children after us?

**3. The Ground of truth is the unified message of the apostles (vv. 6-10).**

It is not "richness" and diversity of religious traditions that we should rejoice in, but the wonderful unity and coherence of Scripture. In particular note the phrase in verse 6, "they added nothing to me" and the meaning of the phrase, "the right hand of fellowship."

Note also the sarcasm Paul uses in verses 6 & 9, "who seemed to be something" and "who seemed to be pillars", is not directed at the other apostles at all but at the Judiazers, who apparently used these terms as a backhanded way of putting Paul down and denying his authority.

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**Bridging From Text To Sermon**

**Textual Idea:** Paul describes the conflict he had with the Judaizers in Jerusalem to preserve the truth.

**Sermon Proposition:** Sometimes God calls us to contend for the truth of the Gospel.

**Interrogative:** What do we need to know in order to contend for the truth.

**Transition:** The Spirit gives us three basic thoughts in this text, necessary to contending for the truth.

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