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**Galatians**  
**2: Defending the Call and the Message**

**TEXT:** Galatians 5:1 NLT So Christ has truly set us free. Now make sure that you stay free, and don't get tied up again in slavery to the law.

1. In 1 Corinthians 15:1-9, Paul describes in some detail what the term "Gospel" meant to him. Read it and then discuss why this is so important to remember.
2. The call of God to Paul was given by the grace of God. What do you think that means?
3. Paul defended his authority. What were his claims? What things do you consider in finding leadership in your life?  
Hebrews 13:7-17
4. Paul said that the Jerusalem leaders recognized the gift in his life. What gifts have others recognized in you?
5. Jesus and Paul warned about leaven. What things do they warn about? Matt 16:6-12 / Mark 8:15 / Luke 12:1 / 1 Cor 5:6-8 / Gal 5:9
6. Thinking about leaven from the last question, what things do you see in Christianity today that we need to be mindful of?
7. Read Galatians 2: 20-21 several times. Find more than one translation. In light of the previous chapter and the context of this statement, how would you summarize Paul's message in these two verses? Can you apply it to your life?