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I. Why Paul Went . . .

1. He went because of a _____.
2. He went for the sake of _____.

II. Who Paul Met . . .

Who?

When?

III. What Paul Brought . . .

1. His Gospel _____.
2. His Gospel _____.
3. _____, His Gospel _____.
4. _____, His Gospel _____.

IV. What Was the Outcome . . .

A recognition of these four things:

1. The Gospel is salvation by _____.
2. The Gospel is not limited to any one _____, but is _____.
3. The Gospel calls for unity in _____, but allows for diversity in _____.
4. The Gospel is not just a set of _____, but a completely new _____.

THINK IT OVER!

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1. Read Galatians 2:1-10 again. What did Paul tell us about his story in the last section? What does he tell us here and why? Retell this course of events in your own words.
2. What are the 3 ways to live and their mantras or mottos? Why are these three life approaches relevant here in Galatians? Where were the Galatians coming from? Where were they in danger of going to?
3. What 4 things does Paul bring with him when he comes to Jerusalem? Why might the bringing along of Titus have been considered an act of provocation? What is Paul doing?
4. What do 2:2, 2:6 and 2:9 have in common? What's going on here? Why does Paul keep bringing this up?
5. In what terms does Paul describe the struggle for the Gospel in v. 4? What is Paul saying exactly and why is it a bit surprising?
6. Why were these events monumental for the future of the church? What 4 outcomes came out of this meeting and can you find them in the text? Did this meeting settle these issues?

WORK IT OUT!

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1. What was new and most challenging in the text/message this week and why?
2. Which of the three ways to live describes your upbringing and background? Why is non-religious relativism sometimes a reaction to religious moralism? Why, when we call non-religious moralists to faith in Christ, do they think we're calling them to religious moralism? What do we do about this?
3. What sorts of rites and rituals do we, who slip into religious moralism, add to the work of Christ to try and earn God's acceptance?
4. How do non-religious relativists still "justify" themselves even though they don't think they are? In other words, what do they build their lives around in order to feel good about themselves? Give some real examples of some people you know?
5. Which of the 4 outcomes of Paul's Jerusalem visit is most relevant to your life right now and why?