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12 For before certain men came from James, he was eating with the Gentiles; but when they came he drew back

and separated himself, fearing the circumcision party.

13 And the rest of the Jews acted hypocritically along with him,

so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. 14 But when I saw that their conduct was not in step

with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, "If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew,

how can you force the Gentiles to live like Jews?" 15
We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile
sinners;

16 yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ,

so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law,

because by works of the law no one will be justified.

17 But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ,

we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! 18 For if I rebuild what I tore down,

I prove myself to be a transgressor. 19 For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God.

20 I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh

I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. 21 I do not nullify the grace of God,

for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.

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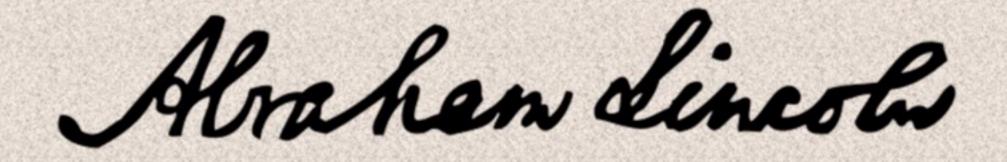
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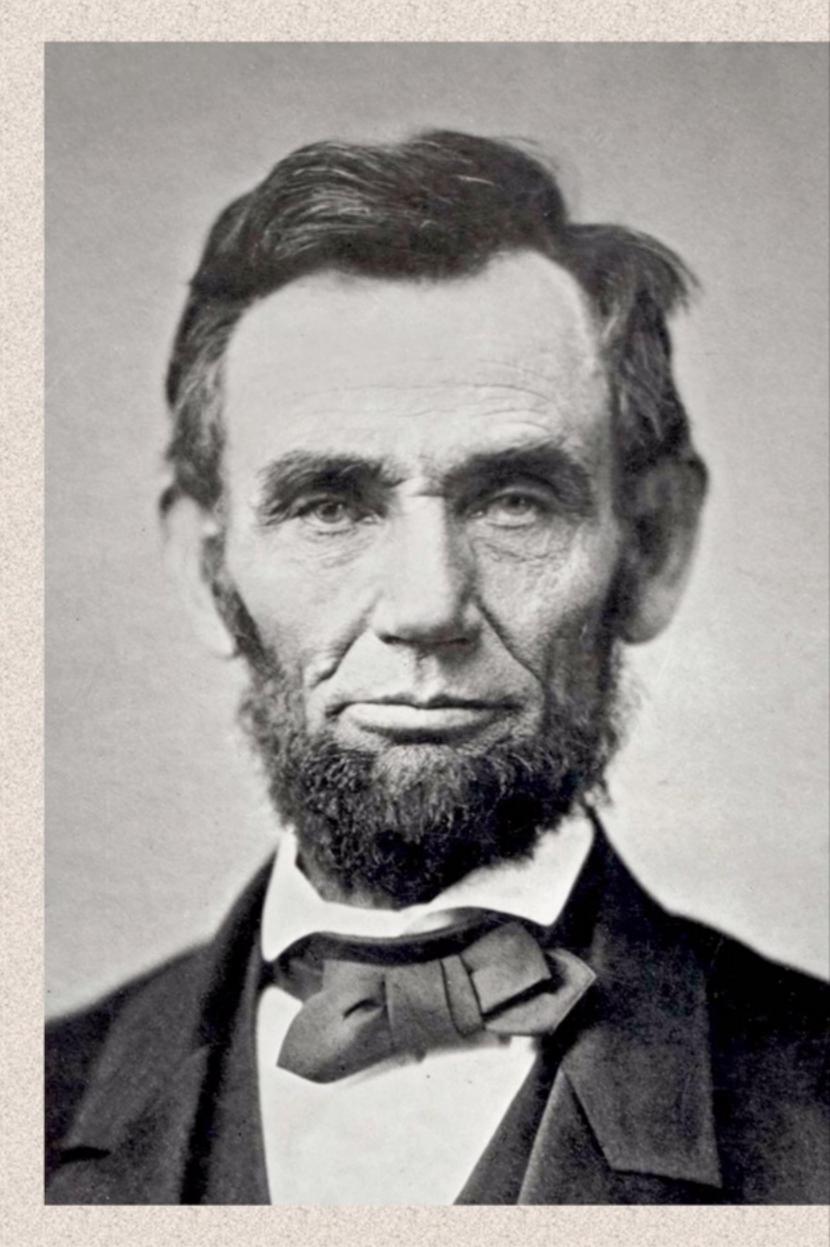
At the Dedication of the Soldiers' National Cemetery in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania:

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate – we can not consecrate – we can not hallow – this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us – that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion – that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain – that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom – and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.





"When values, thoughts, feelings, and actions are in alignment,

a person becomes focused and character is strengthened."

- John C. Maxwell



GALATIANS 1:8, But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed.



Big idea: We must constantly realign ourselves with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

1) Church must align with the Gospel.

GALATIANS 2:1,2, Then after fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along with me.

2 I went up because of a revelation and set before them (though privately before those who seemed influential)

the gospel that I proclaim among the Gentiles, in order to make sure I was not running or had not run in vain.

I TIMOTHY 3:15, ...You will know how people ought to conduct themselves in God's household,

which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth.

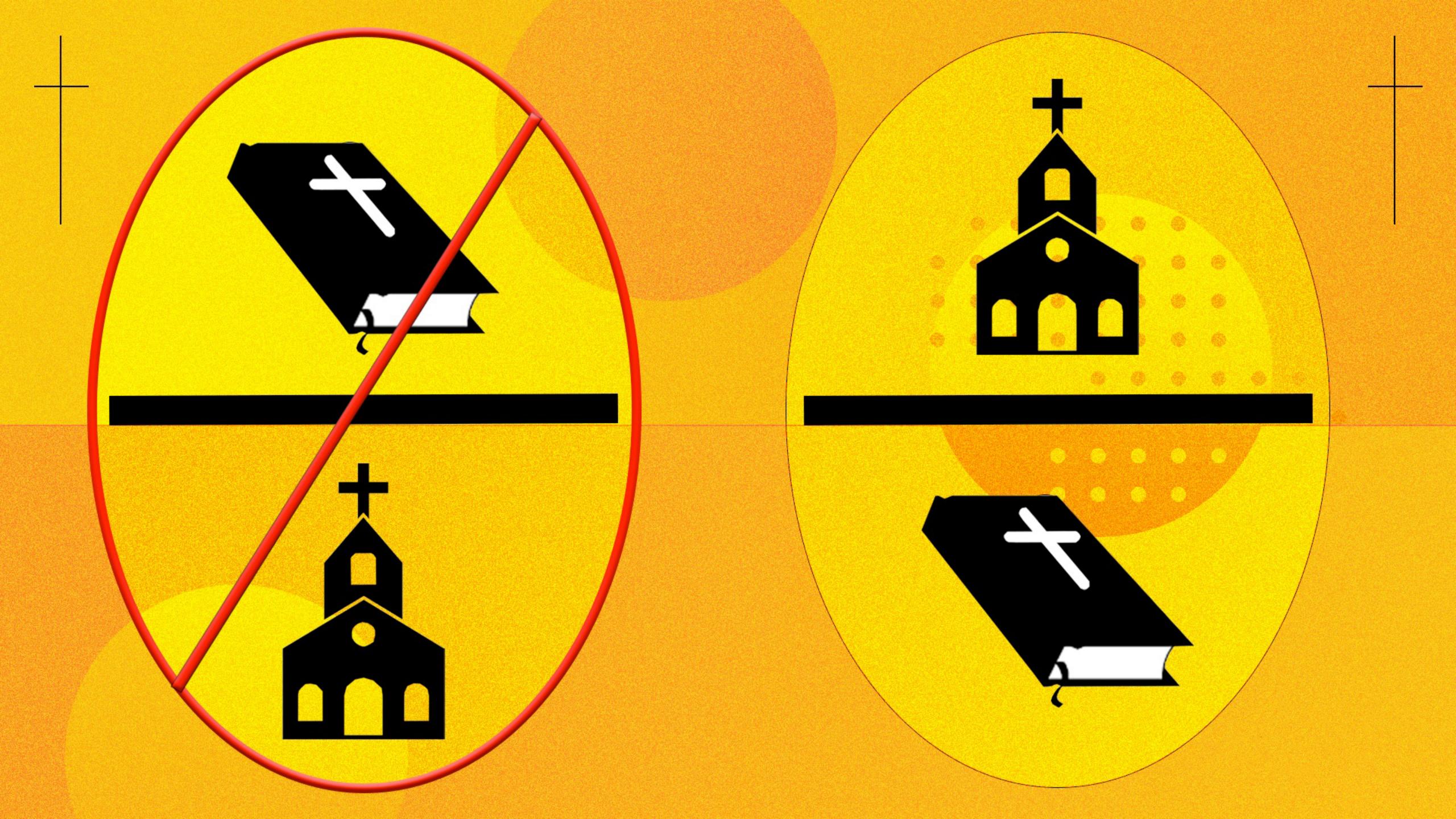
GALATIANS 2:3-6, But even Titus, who was with me, was not forced to be circumcised, though he was a Greek.

4 Yet because of false brothers secretly brought in who slipped in to spy out our freedom that we have in Christ Jesus,

so that they might bring us into slavery— 5 to them we did not yield in submission even for a moment,

so that the truth of the gospel might be preserved for you. 6 And from those who seemed to be influential

(what they were makes no difference to me; God shows no partiality)—those, I say, who seemed influential added nothing to me.



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Because of Jesus.

2) Calling must align with the Gospel.

GALATIANS 2:7-9, On the contrary, when they saw that I had been entrusted with the gospel to the uncircumcised,

just as Peter had been entrusted with the gospel to the circumcised 8 (for he who worked through Peter for his apostolic ministry

to the circumcised worked also through me for mine to the Gentiles), 9 and when James and Cephas and John, who seemed to be pillars,

perceived the grace that was given to me, they gave the right hand of fellowship to Barnabas and me,

that we should go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised.

KJV - EPHESIANS 4:11,12, And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ...

ESV - EPHESIANS 4:11,12, And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers,

12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ...

"I am a minister of the Gospel."

3) Conduct toward those in need must align with the Gospel.

GALATIANS 2:9, ...When James and Cephas and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given to me,

they gave the right hand of fellowship to Barnabas and me, that we should go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised.

GALATIANS 2:10, Only, they asked us to remember the poor, the very thing I was eager to do.

LUKE 4:18,19, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed,

19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

LUKE 5:32, "I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."

REVELATIONS 3:17, For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked.



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so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law,

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II PETER 3:17, ... Take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability.

GALATIANS 2:20, I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.

And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

I CORINTHIANS 11:28, Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

I CORINTHIANS 11:23,24, ...The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread,

24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

I CORINTHIANS 11:25, In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying,

"This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."