

Paul's Principle: I Live by Faith

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: Galatians 2:20.

B. God has a life for us to live.

II. Christianity is about life, which is...

A. Fruitfulness.

1. Paul's fruitfulness was based upon a divine revelation—fruit comes from God.

2. We get hung up because often truth does not grip us.

3. Fruitfulness is the outworking of that which is indwelling.

B. Forcefulness. Paul's Christianity was a holy aggression.

C. Faithfulness.

1. Paul was basically concerned about the truth getting out.

2. Nothing got in his way.

III. Paul's life was by faith.

A. By grace we are saved through faith.

B. Fruitfulness, forcefulness and faithfulness only come by faith.

C. Faith is only as valid as its object. We must have faith in Jesus himself.

D. Jesus is very much alive.

Application questions:

1. How would you counter someone who says Christianity is boring based upon the message?

2. What is an example faith without a valid object?

3. How would you evaluate your faith in Jesus? How can a person grow in his or her faith? Explain.
