

**Integrating the Gospel**  
**Galatians 2:11-14**  
**Living the Gospel, 7**  
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**Paul *confronts* Peter ...**

2:11-13

**The situation:** hypocrisy

**Observations:**

It is possible to know the gospel of grace and yet fail to live it.

Our tendency is to mask our flaws.

Our failures are often rooted in fear.

Our hypocrisies affect the faith of others.

**Paul *challenges* Peter to consider the state of his heart ...**

2:14

**The cure:** honest reflection

**Observations:**

We need others to challenge us.

Living "in line with" the gospel requires honesty, not perfection.

God is gracious and sovereign in the midst of our weaknesses.

**Theological Reflection ...**

1. In what areas do you wear a mask?
2. How will you begin to remove the mask? Be specific.

**Quotes:**

"Anyone who has ever taught or attempted to lead others knows the tendency in all of us toward exaggerating our depth of character while treating leniently our flaws. The Bible calls this tendency hypocrisy. We consciously or subconsciously put forward a better image of ourselves than really exists. The outward appearance of our character and the inner reality (that only God, we, and perhaps our family members know) do not match." C. S. Lewis, *The Four Loves*.

"We're all like the moon ... we have a dark side we don't want anyone to see." Mark Twain