

A large, reddish-brown rock formation on a mountain peak. The rock is the central focus, with a valley and distant hills visible in the background under a clear blue sky. The rock has a rough, textured surface with some darker spots and a prominent vertical crack.

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Galatians 2:11-13^(NKJV)

"Now when Peter had come to Antioch, I withstood him to his face, because he was to be blamed; for before certain men came from James, he would eat with the Gentiles; but when they came, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing those who were of the circumcision. And the rest of the Jews also played the hypocrite with him, so that even Barnabas was carried away with their hypocrisy."

The background of the slide is a photograph of a rugged mountain landscape. In the foreground, a large, reddish-brown rock formation dominates the left side. The background shows a vast valley with green vegetation and distant hills under a clear blue sky. The text is overlaid on semi-transparent grey boxes.

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Matthew 7:3-5_(NKJV)

“And why do you look at the speck in your brother's eye, but do not consider the plank in your own eye? "Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me remove the speck from your eye'; and look, a plank is in your own eye? "Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.”



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“I have proposed a path for these pastors that allows them to embrace people who are gay, lesbian, and transgender and to accept them fully — welcome and wanted — into the company of Jesus. I wrote A Letter To My Congregation when I realized my views had changed and I needed to communicate the intense theological, biblical, pastoral, and spiritual process that I had been through to get to this new place. It began with a burr beneath the saddle of my conscience: why was I willing to let so many divorced and remarried couples know that they are welcome and wanted while refusing that same welcome to gay and lesbian couples? How could I say to the remarried couples, whose 2nd marriage was clearly condemned by the plain meaning of scripture, ‘You are welcome and wanted,’ while saying to the two mothers raising their adopted child together, ‘I love you, but I hate your sin’?”

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Romans 2:1_(NKJV)

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Romans 2:24_(NKJV)

"For "the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you," as it is written."

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II Samuel 12:14_(NKJV)

“However, because by this deed you have given great occasion to the enemies of the Lord to blaspheme, the child also who is born to you shall surely die.”



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I Peter 2:12_(NKJV)

“having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation.”

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Titus 2:8_(NKJV)

“sound speech that cannot be condemned, that one who is an opponent may be ashamed, having nothing evil to say of you.”



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