

"Knowing that a man is not made righteous from the works of the law, if it is not through the faith of Jesus Christ" (Galatians 2:16a). [Modern Literal Version]

"Having known also that a man is not declared righteous by works of law, if not through the faith of Jesus Christ" (Galatians 2:16a). [Young's Literal Translation]

The word "but" (KJV) means "except."