

## Galatians 1:10-24 - PAUL'S DEFENSE OF THE GOSPEL

Sept 18, 2024 (Lesson #4) (Gal 1:10-16)

(Gal 1:1, 4-5, 6-9)

### THE MAN - (Gal 1:1-3)

**THE AUTHOR** - (1:1a) *Paul, an apostle,*

**THE AUTHORITY** - (1:1b) *(not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;)*

**THE ASSOCIATES** - (1:2a) *"All the brethren which are with me."*

**THE ADDRESSEES** - (1:2b) *unto the churches of Galatia*

**THE ACTION** - (1:3) *"grace and peace unto you."*

### THE MESSAGE - (Gal 1:4-5)

**INVOLVES SUBSTITUTION** (4a) *"Who gave himself for our sins"*

**INVOLVES DELIVERANCE** (4b) *"that he might deliver us from this present evil world"*

**INVOLVES THE WILL OF GOD** (4c) *"according to the will of God and our Father"*

**INVOLVES THE GLORY OF GOD** (5) *"To whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."*

### THE MEANS / METHODS (at work) (Gal 1:6-9)

#### THE DECEPTION OF THE PEOPLE - (Gal 1:6-7)

**THEIR INSTABILITY** (6) *I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:*

**THEIR IGNORANCE** (7) *Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ.*

FALSE GOSPEL - A DIFFERENT DOCTRINE

FALSE MOTIVES - THE DEVIANT TEACHERS

*Corrupted The Message, Confused The People, Changed The Doctrine*

#### THE DECEPTION BY THE PREACHERS - (Gal 1:8-9)

**THE MESSENGER** (8) *But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.*

**THE MESSAGE** (9) *As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.*

**PAUL'S MESSAGE WAS FROM GOD** (Gal 1:10-16a) *For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.*

<sup>11</sup> *But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.*

<sup>12</sup> *For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.*

**PAUL'S PERSONAL CONVICTION** (Gal 1:10) (Serving only Christ) *For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet, pleased men I should not be the servant of Christ.*

**PAUL'S PRESENT CONFESSION (Gal 1:11-12) (Speaking only for Christ)**

HE DID NOT TEACH ACCORDING TO ANY HUMAN STANDARD (1:11) But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.

HE DID NOT RECEIVE HIS GOSPEL FROM ANY HUMAN SOURCE (1:12a) For I neither received it of man,

(Acts 9). Ananias called him "brother Saul" (Acts 9:17).

(Acts 9:9,19-20).

HE WAS NOT TAUGHT BY ANY APOSTLE (12b) neither was I taught it,

(Acts 22:3)

HE WAS TAUGHT BY DIRECT REVELATION FROM CHRIST HIMSELF (12c) but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.

**PAUL'S PAST CONDUCT - (Gal 1:13-14) (Standing against Christ)**

HE PERSECUTED THE CHURCH (1:13) For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it:

**Acts 8:1** "Saul was consenting unto his (Stephen's) death."

**Acts 9:1** "breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord."

**Acts 26:9-11** "I verily thought with myself, that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth. <sup>10</sup> Which thing I also did in Jerusalem: and many of the saints did I shut up in prison, having received authority from the chief priests; and when they were put to death, I gave my voice against them. <sup>11</sup> And I punished them oft in every synagogue, and compelled them to blaspheme; and being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted them even unto strange cities."

**Acts 9:4** "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?"

The church is "The body of Christ." (1 Cor. 12:13, Eph. 1:22-23, 4:4, 5:29-32)

HE PRACTICED RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS (14) And profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers.

1 - He "profited in the Jews' religion."

2 - He was zealous in the traditions of the Jews' religion.

**Phil 3:5-6** "Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless."

**PAUL'S PERSONAL CONVERSION (Gal 1:13a, 15-16) (His salvation by Christ)**

GOD SEPARATED HIM (15ab) But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb,

GOD CALLED HIM (15c-16) (it pleased God, who) ... called me by his grace,

GOD COMMISSIONED HIM (16b) called me by his grace,

(Acts 9:15) "He is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel."

(Acts 13-21)

(Acts 16:10-12)