



Turning to a Different Gospel

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1. The GOSPEL is God's Good News proclaimed by people He's COMMISSIONED to share it.

Galatians 1:1-5

Read through the book of Galatians once every week.

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2. God's Gospel is to be RECEIVED and BELIEVED as it is – not altered or added to.

Galatians 1:6-9

Paul's letter to the churches in Galatia is a lot of things:

- it's written to a REGION of churches rather than to a city
- chronologically, it was his FIRST letter of the 13 that are found in the New Testament
- it is Paul's most CORRECTIVE letter and follows JESUS' posture towards the Jewish religious leaders that He faced



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desertion – this Greek word signified “to TRANSFER one’s ALLEGIANCE.” It was used of soldiers in the army who revolt or desert, and of people who change sides in politics or philosophy.

Acts 13:26–32, Acts 13:38–39

“They did not deny that you must believe in Jesus for salvation, but they stressed that you must be circumcised and keep the law as well. In other words, you must let Moses finish what Christ has begun. Or rather, you yourself must finish, by your obedience to the law, what Christ has begun. You must add your works to the work of Christ. You must finish Christ’s unfinished work.”

– John Stott, *The Message of Galatians – Only One Way*

Acts 13:44–45, Acts 13:49–50



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Anathema is a “DIVINE BAN” upon anything or anyone devoted by God to destruction.

3. The Gospel frees us to focus on our AUDIENCE of ONE.

Galatians 1:10

We are introduced to the RACIAL and ETHNIC conflicts that fuel the distortion of the Gospel in this book... and the price that will be required of “the whole Church taking the whole Gospel to the whole world”



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