



GALATIANS

JESUS + NOTHING

DANGEROUS DESERTION

Paul's Urgent Warning

GALATIANS 1:1-10

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The Theme of the Bible

God is redeeming a people by His Son, for His Son, to His own glory.

- OT: "He's Coming."
- Gospels: "He Came."
- Epistles: "This is Why He Came & What He's Doing Now."
- Revelation: "He's Coming Again!"



**Book Theme Verse: Galatians 2:16 nevertheless
knowing that a man is not justified by the works of
the Law but through faith in Christ Jesus**

Lesson Verse: Galatians 1:6 I am amazed that you are so quickly deserting Him who called you by the grace of Christ, for a different gospel;

Theme: Paul identifies three results of the Galatians embracing the message of false teachers. They were denying the apostolic authority of Paul, deserting the God, who saved them and distorting the gospel of justification by faith in Christ alone.

I. Denial of Authority

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- 1. Paul was an apostle called, commissioned, and sent by Jesus Christ to the Gentiles**
- 2. Paul's apostolic authority was given to him through Jesus Christ and God the Father**
- 3. Paul emphasized the core of the gospel was Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection**

I. Denial of Authority

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- a. In the resurrection: God the Father raised Jesus Christ from the dead placing His seal of approval on His Son as the complete and perfect Savior**
- b. In the crucifixion: Jesus Christ gave His life to redeem us from our sins and to rescue us from the evil age of Satan's rule**
- c. Jesus Christ accomplished the will of God that was sufficient to redeem sinners**

II. Desertion of God

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- 1. Paul is shocked by how fast the false gospel impacted the church**

9 AD
Paul is Born

20 AD
Paul studies under Gamaliel

34 AD
**Paul's Conversion on
the Road to Damascus**

34-36 AD
Paul's Time in Arabia

36 AD
Visit to Jerusalem

36-46 AD
Paul in Tarsus

47-48 AD
Paul's First Missionary Journey
Antioch, Salamis, Paphos, Perga, Pisidian Antioch, Iconium, Lystra
(Returning: Lystra, Iconium, Pisidian Antioch, Perga, Attalia, Antioch)

49 AD
The Jerusalem Council

49-52 AD
Paul's Second Missionary Journey
Jerusalem, Antioch, Syria, Derbe, Lystra, Iconium, Pisidian Antioch,
Troas, Neapolis, Philippi, Amphipolis, Apollonia, Thessalonica,
Berea, Athens, Corinth, Ephesus, Caesarea, Jerusalem

53-58 AD
Paul's Third Missionary Journey
Antioch, the region of Galatia and Phrygia, Ephesus, Philippi, Corinth, Troas,
Miletus, Patara, Paphos, Tyre, Caesarea, Jerusalem

59-62 AD
Paul's Journey to Rome and House Arrest

~62-64 AD
Paul Released from Roman Imprisonment

65 AD
Final Imprisonment and Death

48 AD
Galatians

49-51 AD
1 Thessalonians
2 Thessalonians

1 Corinthians (53-56 AD)
2 Corinthians (55-56 AD)
Romans (57 AD)

62 AD
Ephesians
Philippians
Colossians
Philemon

62-64 AD
1 Timothy
Titus

64-65 AD
2 Timothy

THE FIRST MISSIONARY JOURNEY OF PAUL

ACTS 13:4-14; 28

- City
- Paul's routes
- Via Sebaste



II. Desertion of God

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- 1. Paul is shocked by how fast the false gospel impacted the church**
- 2. Paul warns the Galatians that the false gospel is leading them to desert God**
- 3. Paul indicates their defection was caused by being confused by a false gospel**

III. Distortion of the Gospel

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- 1. The Judaizers came into the church deceptively, to confuse and create instability**
- 2. False teachers distort the gospel by denying the sufficiency of Christ's work on the cross**
- 3. False teachers who preach a false gospel must be the object of God's righteous curse**

III. Distortion of the Gospel

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- 4. Paul was a bond servant of Christ motivated by God's love for him**
 - a. Seeking the favor of God instead of favor of men**
 - b. Striving to please God instead of striving to please men**
 - c. A bondservant of Christ instead of slave of Satan**

IV. Application

- 1. Be aware that if you believe you will be allowed by God into heaven because you are a good person, the Bible says NO, that you are completely without ability to be good enough for God.**

Ga 2:16 Mt 7:21–23

- 2. Be careful of allowing our own heart to rely on our own effort to make or keep us reconciled to God**

Ga 2:21 Eph 2:8–9 Eph 2:10 Tt 3:8 Heb 13:16

IV. Application

3. Be cautious of anyone who comes into our church and denies the Biblical authority that God has in His church

Ac 20:29–30 Tt 1:5–9

4. Be prepared by knowing the true gospel to refute the lies of false teachers

Ac 17:11 2 Ti 2:15

5. Be equipped to give a clear presentation of the true gospel

2 Co 5:20 1 Pe 3:15

**Col 3:23–24 Whatever you do, do your work heartily,
as for the Lord rather than for men, 24 knowing that
from the Lord you will receive the reward of the
inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.**

II. Audience of Letter

- 1. The letter was sent to the churches in southern Galatia, founded on first missionary journey**
- 2. The churches in southern Galatia were established with Gentiles who believed the gospel.**
- 3. The churches in southern Galatia were led by elders, appointed by Paul and Barnabus**

III. Purpose of Letter

- 1. To reprove the church for abandoning their faith in the completed work of Christ on the cross**
- 2. To refute the false teachers distorting the gospel to deceive the church**
- 3. To defend himself, the messenger of the gospel, in order to protect the message of the gospel**
- 4. To affirm the gospel and the doctrine of justification by faith alone**

IV. Implications of the Letter

- 1. Unbelievers who hope in their own good works will be condemned and eternally separated from God**
Mt 7:13–14 Mt 7:21–23 Lk 18:10–14
- 2. Believers have confidence that their standing before God is not dependent on their own good deeds but on Christ's finished work on the cross.**
Tt 3:5–7 Eph 2:8–9
- 3. Believers are freed from the requirement to perfectly obey the law to earn righteousness**
Ga 5:1 Ro 8:2–3 Ro 4:4–5

IV. Implications of the Letter

4. Believers have peace with God being reconciled to God through faith in Christ

Ro 5:1 Ga 6:15–16

5. For believers, Christ's atoning work on the cross is entirely sufficient for salvation, and nothing needs to be added to it.

Ro 10:4 Ro 10:8–10

IV. Implications of the Letter

6. God alone receives the glory for saving sinners.

Php 3:8–9

7. Believers are equipped to share the true gospel with confidence to those who are perishing

2 Co 5:20–21



