



Galatians



Introduction and
Galatians 1:1-9 | Lesson 1

Introduction

- Author – Paul
 - In the letter he will be defending his apostleship
- Audience – Churches of Galatia
 - Paul has some history with this area (Acts 13-16)
- Date Written – Most believe it was between 53-57 AD
 - Not long after Paul had worked with them
 - They had turned away from what he had taught them “soon” (Galatians 1:6)

Introduction

- Theme/Purpose – Rebuke of apostacy and correction of what the Judaizing teachers had come in and taught
 - Paul defends his apostleship (chapters 1-2)
 - Justification by faith and the relationship between the old and new law (chapter 3-4)
 - Exhortation to stand in the faith (chapters 5-6)

Galatians 1:1-5 - Salutation

- V.1-2 – Paul defends His apostleship
 - He was given the position of an apostle by Jesus and God
 - He was not sent or commissioned by men or a group
 - He was sent by Jesus
 - Apostle – One sent forth, delegate, messenger

Galatians 1:1-5 - Salutation

- V.3-5 – Reminder of who Jesus is, our deliverer
 - What Jesus did...
 - Gave Himself for our sins
 - Jesus is the perfect sacrifice (Hebrews 10:4-22)
 - Jesus is the propitiation for our sins (1 John 4:9-10)
 - The blood of Jesus redeems us (1 Peter 1:18-19)

Galatians 1:1-5 - Salutation

- V.3-5 – Reminder of who Jesus is, our deliverer
 - What Jesus did...
 - That He might deliver us
 - We have made the choice to sin and are in bondage (Romans 3:23; John 8:31-35), the only way out is through Jesus
 - Moses is a shadow of this in delivering the children of Israel out of Egyptian bondage

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- V.3-5 – Reminder of who Jesus is, our deliverer
 - What Jesus did...
 - This was according to God's will
 - God had this plan from the beginning (Genesis 3:15)
 - God wants all to be saved (1 Timothy 2:3-4)

Galatians 1:6-9 – Apostacy and the gospel message

- V.6-7 – Those at Galatia had turned away from Him who called them to a different gospel that was being taught by others
 - We are called and saved by the gospel (2 Thessalonians 2:13-15) – to go to something else is to leave that which saves

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 - There is one gospel, not two or three, nor are there different takes on the same gospel
 - Ephesians 4:4-6 teaches there is one faith and Jude 3 teaches we are to contend earnestly for that faith

Galatians 1:6-9 – Apostasy and the gospel message

- V.6-7 – Those at Galatia had turned away from Him who called them to a different gospel that was being taught by others
 - The other gospels, those which are false are taught by false teachers
 - As a result, they “pervert the gospel of Christ”

Galatians 1:6-9 – Apostacy and the gospel message

- V.8-9 – There is only one message that is not to be changed
 - If an apostle, angel, or anyone preaches something other than what was preach and they had received they were not to accept
 - The message is from God and final
 - It abides forever (1 Peter 1:22-25)

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 - If an apostle, angel, or anyone preaches something other than what was preach and they had received they were not to accept
 - Corresponds with 2 John 9-10 – we are only to receive the doctrine of Christ
 - This goes against all false teaching, but especially that of Mormonism and others who believe in modern day prophecies

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 - They are to be accursed – there is a seriousness to teaching false doctrine