Galatians • "Not Man's Gospel" The Truth of the Gospel - Freedom in Christ From Slavery

Matthew 16:15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

Matthew 16:16 Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Matthew 16:17 And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not **revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.**

Acts 22:3 "I am a Jew, born in Tarsus in Cilicia, but brought up in this city, educated at the feet of Gamaliel according to the strict manner of the law of our fathers, being zealous for God as all of you are this day.

Acts 22:4 **I persecuted this Way** to the **death**, binding and delivering to prison both men and women,

Acts 22:5 as the **high priest** and the **whole council of elders can bear me witness**. **From them I received letters** to the brothers, and I journeyed toward Damascus to **take those also who were there** and **bring them in bonds to Jerusalem to be punished**.

Acts 22:6 "As I was on **my way** and drew near to **Damascus**, about **noon a great light from heaven suddenly shone around me.**

Acts 22:7 And I fell to the ground and **heard a voice** saying to me, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?'

Acts 22:8 And I answered, 'Who are you, Lord?' And he said to me, 'I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom you are persecuting.'

Acts 22:9 Now those who were with me saw the light but **did not understand the voice** of the one **who was speaking to me.**

Acts 22:10 And I said, 'What shall I do, Lord?' And the Lord said to me, 'Rise, and go into Damascus, and there you will be told all that is appointed for you to do.'

Acts 22:11 And since **I could not see because of the brightness of that light**, I was led by the hand by those who were with me, and came into Damascus.

Acts 22:12 "And one **Ananias**, a devout man according to the law, well spoken of by all the Jews who lived there,

Acts 22:13 came to me, and standing by me said to me, 'Brother Saul, receive your sight.' And at that very hour I received my sight and saw him.

Acts 22:14 And he said, 'The **God** of our fathers **appointed you** to **know his will**, to **see the Righteous One** and to **hear a voice from his mouth**;

Acts 22:15 for **you will be a witness for him** to everyone of what you have **seen and heard.**

Galatians 2:16 yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.

Galatians 1:1 Paul, an **apostle**—**not from men nor through man**, but **through Jesus Christ** and **God the Father**, who **raised him from the dead**—

Galatians 1:2 and all the brothers who are with me, To the churches of Galatia:

Galatians 1:3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,

Galatians 1:4 who **gave himself for our sins** to **deliver us from the present evil age**, according to the **will of our God and Father**,

Galatians 1:5 to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Galatians 1:6 I am **astonished** that you are so quickly **deserting** him who **called you in the grace of Christ** and are **turning to a different gospel**—

Galatians 1:7 **not that there is another one,** but there are some who trouble you and want to **distort the gospel of Christ.**

To "hedge" your bets regarding the Gospel is to lose everything.

Galatians 1:8 But even if **we or an angel from heaven** should **preach** to you a **gospel contrary** to the one we **preached** to you, let him be **accursed**.

Galatians 1:9 As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is **preaching** to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed.

Galatians 1:10 For am I now seeking the **approval of man**, or of **God?** Or am I trying to **please man**? If I were still trying to **please man**, I would not be a **servant of Christ**.

Galatians 1:11 For I would have you know, brothers, that the **gospel that was preached by me** <u>is not man's gospel.</u>

Galatians 1:12 For I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

Galatians 1:13 For you have heard of my **former life** in Judaism, how I **persecuted** the church of God violently and tried to **destroy** it.

Galatians 1:14 And I was advancing in **Judaism** beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely **zealous was I for the traditions** of my fathers.

Galatians 1:15 But when he who had **set me apart before I was born**, and who **called me by his grace**,

Galatians 1:16 was **pleased to reveal his Son to me**, in order that I might **preach him** among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone;

Galatians 1:17 nor did I go up to **Jerusalem** to those who **were apostles before me**, but **I went away into Arabia, and returned again to Damascus.**

Acts 9:22 But Saul increased all the more in strength, and **confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus** by proving that **Jesus was the Christ**.

Acts 9:23 When many days had passed, the Jews plotted to kill him,

Acts 9:25 but **his disciples** took him by night and let him down through an opening in the wall, lowering him in a basket.

Galatians 1:18 Then after **three years** I went up to Jerusalem to visit **Cephas** and remained with him fifteen days.

Galatians 1:19 But I saw none of the other apostles except **James** the Lord's brother.

Galatians 1:20 (In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie!)

Acts 9:26 And when he had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to join the **disciples.** And **they were all afraid of him**, for they did not believe that he was a disciple.

Acts 9:27 But Barnabas took him and brought him to the **apostles** and declared to them how on the road he had **seen the Lord, who spoke to him**, and how at Damascus he had preached boldly in the **name of Jesus**.

Acts 9:29 And he spoke and disputed against the Hellenists. But they were seeking to **kill him**.

Acts 9:30 And when the **brothers** learned this, **they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus.**

Galatians 1:21 Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia.

Galatians 1:22 And I was still **unknown in person to the churches of Judea that are in Christ.**

Galatians 1:23 They only were hearing it said, "He who used to **persecute** us is **now preaching the faith** he once tried to **destroy**."

Galatians 1:24 And they **glorified God** because of me.

Acts 10:28 And he (Peter to Cornelius's family) said to them, "You yourselves know how unlawful it is for a **Jew to associate with or to visit anyone of another nation, but God has shown me that I should not call any person common or unclean.**

Acts 10:34 So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality,

Acts 10:44 While Peter was still saying these things, **the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word.**

Acts 10:45 And the **believers from among the circumcised** who had come with Peter were amazed, **because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles.**

Acts 11:1 Now the **apostles** and the **brothers** who were **throughout Judea** heard that the **Gentiles also had received the word of God.**

Acts 11:2 So when **Peter went up to Jerusalem**, the circumcision party criticized him, saying,

Acts 11:3 "You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them."

Acts 11:4 But Peter began and explained it to them in order:

Acts 11:17 If then **God gave the same gift** to them (Gentiles) as he gave to us (Jews) when we **believed in the Lord Jesus Christ**, who was I that I could stand in God's way?"

Acts 11:18 When they heard these things **they fell silent**. And they glorified God, saying, "**Then to the Gentiles also** God has **granted repentance that leads to life.**"

Acts 11:21 And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a **great number who** believed turned to the Lord.

Acts 11:22 The report of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and **they** sent Barnabas to Antioch.

Acts 11:25 So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul,

Acts 11:26 and when he had found him, **he brought him to Antioch**. For a **whole year they met with the church** and **taught a great many people**. And in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians.

Acts 11:27 Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch.

Acts 11:28 And one of them named Agabus stood up and **foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine** over all the world (this took place in the days of Claudius).

Acts 11:29 So the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brothers living in Judea.

Acts 11:30 And they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

Galatians 2:1 Then after **fourteen years** I went up **again to Jerusalem** with **Barnabas**, taking **Titus** along with me.

Galatians 2:2 I went up because of a **revelation** and **set before them** (though **privately** before those who *seemed influential*) **the gospel** that I proclaim among the Gentiles, **in order to make sure I was not running or had not run in vain.**

Galatians 2:3 But even **Titus**, who was with me, **was not forced to be circumcised**, though **he was a Greek**.

Galatians 2:4 Yet because of **false brothers** secretly brought in—who slipped in to spy out our **freedom that we have in Christ Jesus**, so that **they might bring us into slavery**—

Galatians 2:5 to them **we did not yield in submission** even for a moment, so that the **truth of the gospel** might be **preserved for you**.

Galatians 2:6 And from those who *seemed to be influential* (what they were makes no difference to me; **God shows no partiality**)—those, I say, who *seemed influential* **added nothing to me**.

Galatians 2:7 On the contrary, when they saw that I had been **entrusted with the gospe**l to the **uncircumcised**, just as Peter had been **entrusted with the gospel** to the **circumcised**

Galatians 2:8 (for he who worked through Peter for his **apostolic ministry** to the circumcised worked also through me for mine (**apostolic ministry**) to the Gentiles),

Galatians 2:9 and when **James** and **Cephas** and **John**, who *seemed to be pillars*, perceived the **grace that was given to me**, they gave the right hand of fellowship to Barnabas and me, that we should go to the **Gentiles** and they to the **circumcised**.

Galatians 2:10 Only, they asked us to **remember the poor,** the very thing I was eager to do.

Galatians 2:11 But when **Cephas came to Antioch**, I opposed him to his face, because he stood **condemned**.

Galatians 2:12 For before **certain men came from James**, he was eating with the Gentiles; but when **they** came **he** (Cephas) **drew back** and **separated himself**, **fearing the circumcision party.**

Galatians 2:13 And the **rest of the Jews acted hypocritically** along with him, so that even Barnabas was **led astray by their hypocrisy**.

Galatians 2:14 But when I saw that their **conduct** was not in step with the **truth of the gospel**, I said to **Cephas before them all**, "If you, though a **Jew**, live like a **Gentile** and **not like a Jew**, how can you **force** the Gentiles to live like Jews?"

Galatians 2:15 We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners;

Galatians 2:16 yet we know that a person is **not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ**, so we also have **believed in Christ Jesus**, in order to be **justified by faith in Christ** and **not by works of the law**, because **by works of the law no one will be justified**.

Romans 3:27 **Then what becomes of our boasting?** It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith.

Romans 3:28 For we hold that **one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.**

Romans 3:29 Or is God the God of Jews only? Is he not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also,

Romans 4:3 For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness."

Romans 4:10 How then was it counted to him? Was it before or after he had been circumcised? It was not after, **but before he was circumcised.**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.