

Lesson 2

THE EPISTLE TO THE GALATIANS

DEFINITIONS

Use a Greek dictionary to define the following words.

- Different (Gal. 1:6).
- Gospel (Gal. 1:6).
- Another (Gal. 1:7).

Paul uses the same words in 2 Cor. 11:4.

“For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or if you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted -- you may well put up with it!”

Comparison

Compare the introduction that Paul gives in Galatians with those of his other epistles.

Any similarities?

Any differences?

Galatians 1:1-10

A Different Gospel?

- 1 What claim does Paul make in his opening words about his apostleship?
- 2 Why, according to verse 4, did Jesus give Himself for us?
- 3 Why did Paul “marvel” at the Galatians?
 - a How was their behavior similar to those in Exodus 32:8, Judges 2:17, and Psalm 106:13?
 - b The Galatians’ spiritual condition:
 - i 3:1 — “O _____ Galatians! Who has _____ you that you should not _____ the truth...”
 - ii 4:9 — “But now after you have known God, or rather are known by God, how is it that you _____ _____ to the weak and beggarly elements, to which you _____ again to be in _____?”
 - iii 5:4— “You have become _____ from Christ, you who attempt to be justified by law; you have _____ from grace.”
- 4 Some who trouble you—What did Paul say those who “troubled” them wanted to do (1:7)?
- 5 Could angels change the gospel (1:8,9)? Did angels preach the gospel?
- 6 One who preaches a perverted gospel is _____ (1:8,9).
- 7 What two questions did Paul ask (1:10)?
- 8 How do we learn here the importance of the message over the messenger?