

# GOSPEL

FROM THE BOOK OF GALATIANS

## OF FREEDOM

### STUDY GUIDE

## 2. GOSPEL DISTORTERS - GAL. 1:6-10

### INTRODUCTION

Since the beginning there have always been antagonizers, preeminently the devil, who stood opposed to God and the objects of His special affection, humanity. His primary means of attack has been to distort and manipulate God's word, which brings life.

Things were no different for the Galatians, only for them the opposition came in the form of gifted teachers/preachers, who Paul identified as "false apostles" (2 Cor. 11:13). They came into the congregation, slandered Paul, and established their own edited version of how one "truly" finds favor with God. The result among the believers was theological confusion, burdened consciences, a moralistic verbal cannibalism, and ultimately, an unknowing departure from God's gift of freedom, which had originally brought a deep joy to these Gentile believers. (Gal. 1:6)

It's been said that one of the ways you know grace is being preached properly is that it will be susceptible to abuse and corruption. This seems to be the case here.

### DISCUSSION

Have you ever had someone burden your conscience by making you feel "less significant" or substandard in your relationship w/ God because of something you are failing to do for God?

How does keeping Jesus central in all things, actually liberate you and level the playing field by destroying the levels of spiritual hierarchy?

### EXAMINATION

- Why is Paul so shocked and astonished? vs 6
- Does it bother you when you see others destroying the freedoms, Jesus gave?
- According to vs 4 + 6, what did God do for us?
- Talk about some of the other "gospels" (good news) that our culture proclaims.
- According to vs 9, Paul essentially condemns these false teaches to hell for ever. Do you think this is an appropriate reaction? Why?

### APPLICATION

The falling away these Galatian believers were experiencing was not to, drugs debauchery, gambling, porn and all the modern vices we may typically think of. Rather, it was far more sanitized and religious, and thus deceptive. If a moralized religious confidence is something that Paul equates to "deserting Christ" (vs 6), how can you protect yourself from this happening to you. Pray for one another that your hearts stay fixed and in Love with Jesus

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