

GALATIANS

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READ

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QUESTIONS for REFLECTION

1. What are the Galatians doing (v. 6)? (Who are they leaving and what are they putting in His place?) And how serious is this? (What does “deserting” mean ?)

How is the Apostle Paul affected by this? Why is he so deeply impacted?

2. What does Paul mean by “a different gospel” (v. 6b)? (Consider v. 7b.)

How are the Galatians being affected by this different gospel (v. 7)? What, on the other hand, does grace always promote?

3. Can you briefly state the gospel? Consider passages such as 1 Corinthians 15:1-4 & Romans 1:16.

What is at stake in the situation being described? (Do you understand what the false teachers are doing to/with the gospel? Check a study Bible or commentary. Summarize it.)

4. Who has the authority to change the gospel (vv. 8-9)?

What are the consequences if they do change the gospel? How strong is Paul’s language?

5. Paraphrase v. 10. (What does it mean that Paul is a bond-servant of Christ?)

6. Paul's gospel is *not* (vv. 11-12; c.f., v. 1) . . .

Paul's gospel *is* . . .

7. Describe how v. 12 qualifies Paul to be an apostle like the original apostles. (A clue may be found in vv. 16-18.)

8. Have you ever struggled with thoughts like, "If I try a little harder, Jesus will love me a little more" or "If I am good enough, I will go to heaven"? What does the gospel say about this?

9. What two things does the Apostle Peter exhort us to do with grace (2 Peter 3:17-18)? How well do you do?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

1. I will guard the grace of Christ this week by . . .

2. I will grow in the grace & knowledge of Christ this week by . . .

3. I will seek to please the Master this week by . . .