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Note from Pastor: Please feel free to ask questions don't be too shy to inquire, before, during, after class or contact us through the web through our YouTube page or email at <a href="www.4176sbaptist@gmail.com">www.4176sbaptist@gmail.com</a>.

- Questions can make the teacher better able to communicate and give us a better sense in the application of the Word in our walk with GOD.
- All questions are welcomed and encouraged.
- Questions add to a point of teaching that will make the efforts more complete.
- Did you know that questions can help in the teaching process?

#### Pastor's comments:

- Thank God for bible class, where we can learn scripture to encourage yourself and witness to others the "Good News" of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
- This experience will better equip you in your witnessing, gives fertile ground, and effectiveness for fruitfulness.
- Studying and learning scripture blesses you with the truth.
- (John 8:32) And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.
- Have clarity and conviction on what you believe; victory over the adversary.
- Our lives are in God's hand! He gives knowledge. He is able!



### Study in the Book of Galatians:

Paul wrote this epistle/letter to the Galatians as an apostle!

• Read Acts 13 - 15 (This is Paul's 1st missionary journey!)

#### Pastor's comments:

- Pray to recognize the message of the cross and the sacrifice of Jesus and God's plan of deliverance.
- Jesus can be seen in the OT text from Genesis to Revelation.
- Have panoramic view of the Word of God!
- The LORD knows all things from the beginning to the end.
- The image of GOD, the spiritual essence of GOD; concisely put is the essential and unique quality of human beings whereby we reflect and represent God in the context of meaningful relationship with Him, one another and the rest of creation.
- GOD is Spirit and those who worship Him must do so in Spirit! (Jn.4:24)
- GOD created ALL the races, giving different varieties/coats to them. (Gen. 1:27)
- You are either saved or you are a sinner. (1Jn.3:1)
- Having GOD'S view will allow us to come out okay!

### Review: Chp. 1: Only One Gospel

(Galatians 1:1) Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;)

(Galatians 1:2) And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia:

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

(Galatians 1:4) Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:



Galatians 1:5) To whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

- Paul qualifies himself an Apostle of Jesus, appointed to teach the "Good News" by Jesus Himself.
- Paul wrote this epistle to the churches of Galatia: deals with his angry frustration and sorrow about the churches' posture.
- You are delivered right now. Free from bondage, a new creation!

(Galatians 1:6) I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

- Judaizers (Jews who regarded the Law of Moses as still binding).
- Works vs grace; boasting in self or giving God alone the glory forever,
- Apostasy (abandonment) same as rejecting God.
- The purity of the gospel is so important; don't depart from the truth.
- Paul's calling (on the road to Damascus; Acts 9:1-9;22:6;26:12-18)
- Paul's calling to preach **Christ** among the Gentiles (Acts 9:15)

(Galatians 1:17) Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus.

(Galatians 1:18) Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days.

- Paul spent time with the apostle Peter; spreading the "Good News".
- Agreeing with the teaching of the 11 apostles because Paul preached the faith he once tried to destroy, clearly now in agreement.

## Chp. 2 Defending the Gospel

(Galatians 2:1) Then fourteen years after I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with me also.

- Paul wasn't taught the gospel by any man but by Christ, Himself.
- He was able to share the details known only as an apostle of **Christ**.
- The message was the exact same message preached by Peter, James and John that was given by **Christ** to them.

(Galatians 2:2) And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them



that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain.

- Paul talked with those in highest esteem, leaders.
- Concerned over the disunity in the church.

(Galatians 2:3) But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised:

 Titus, who was a Gentile had been required to be circumcised; was a missionary an effective minister.

(Galatians 2:4) And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage:

- Christ has paid the price to set us free of the bondage of sin.
- Law=Bondage=Sin (missing the mark)
- Liberty in Christ!
- You must know the Word of God to fight heresy.

(Galatians 2:5) To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the gospel might continue with you.

(Galatians 2:6) But of these who seemed to be somewhat, (whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter to me: God accepteth no man's person:) for they who seemed to be somewhat in conference added nothing to me:

- Paul would not appease these hypocritical attempts.
- Watch and give calling to only that which belongs to God.

(Galatians 2:7) But contrariwise, when they saw that the gospel of the uncircumcision was committed unto me, as the gospel of the circumcision was unto Peter;

(Galatians 2:8) (For he that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles:)

- God worked effectively in each ministry; Gentiles and Jews.
- The ordination of your minister ought to be dictated from the Bible.

(Galatians 2:9) And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and



Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.

- Your service to the Lord is not in a vacuum should be evident others.
- Unity of viewpoints symbolized by the "right hand of fellowship" a sign of friendship and agreement.
- We are the body of Christ, not bodies!

(Galatians 2:11) But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed.

Paul opposed Peter to his face about his hypocritical behavior.

(Galatians 2:12) For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.

- Strive to live out the righteousness of **God**.
- What's in you that checks you when you fall short?
- Watch who you spend time with, they can affect your behavior.

(Galatians 2:13) And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation.

- Fear-based hypocrisy swayed the rest of the Jews in the church of Antioch.
- We are the body of Christ, not bodies!

(Galatians 2:14) But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the gospel, I said unto Peter before them all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?

(Galatians 2:15) We who are Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles,

Inconsistent and hypocritical.

(Galatians 2:16) Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.



- Justification, "to be declared (not made) righteous."
- Faith, trusting in the redemptive work of **Jesus Christ** on the cross.
- Brought into sinlessness with **Christ**; a righteous standing before **God**.

(Galatians 2:17) But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.

(Galatians 2:18) For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.

(Galatians 2:19) For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God.

• We are separated from the law because **Jesus** died under the law. (Rom.7:1-4)

(Galatians 2:20) I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

(Galatians 2:21) I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.

- **Jesus** is the fulfilled of the law and put an end to the law.
- Eternal life is not offered by the law.
- We, in Christ Jesus are in Him!
- I was crucified with Christ, I got up, I live through the death, resurrection and His ascension in heavenly places.
- No righteousness comes through the law-then **Christ** died in vain.
- You cannot work your way to righteousness.
- Justification by faith in Christ.