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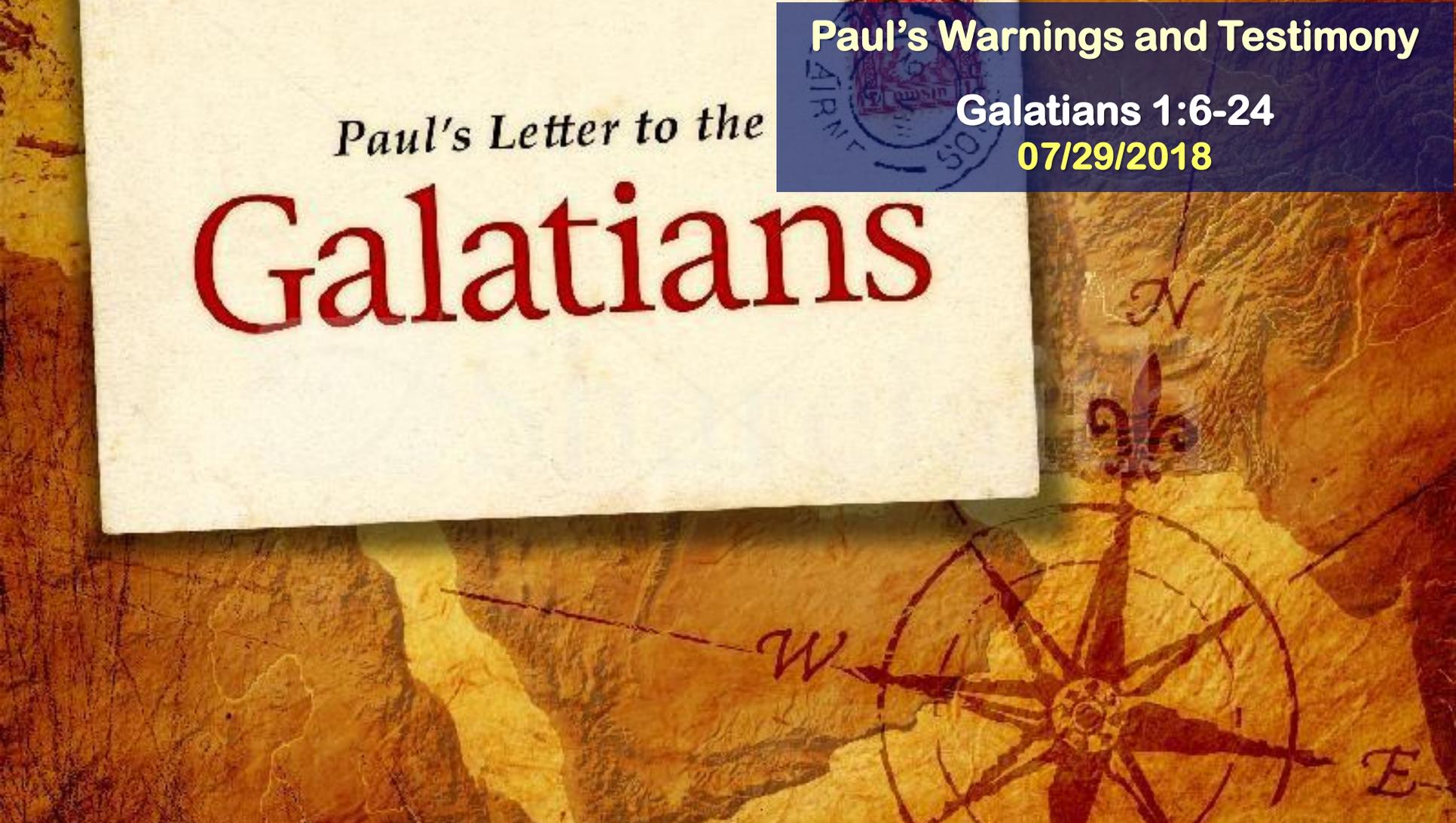
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Galatians 1:6-24

⁶ I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel,

⁷ which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ. ⁸ But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed. ⁹ As we have said before, so now I say again, if anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed.

¹⁰ For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I would not be a bondservant of Christ.

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¹¹ But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is NOT according to man. ¹² For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ.

¹³ For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it. ¹⁴ And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers.

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¹⁵ But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, ¹⁶ to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood, ¹⁷ nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus.

¹⁸ Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days. ¹⁹ But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord's brother. ²⁰ (Now concerning the things which I write to you, indeed, before God, I do not lie.)

²¹ Afterward I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia. ²² And I was unknown by face to the churches of Judea which were in Christ. ²³ But they were hearing only, "He who formerly persecuted us now preaches the faith which he once tried to destroy." ²⁴ And they glorified God in me. (or "because of me.") [** Reference Acts 9 thru and including 15]

Galatians 1:6-24 – The Gospel As It Should Be (part 2)

- 1. Paul's Greeting (vv. 1 – 5)**
- 2. Paul's Warning (vv. 6 – 10) → Last Week → <https://wp1.NLFJI.org/357>**
- 3. This week (vv. 11 – 24) → Paul's History validating His Call to Spread the Gospel among the Gentiles (non-Jewish people groups)**

Timeline of Salvation (Acts 9) until Acts 15 Council Decision regarding Gentiles coming to faith in Christ and NOT needing to follow the Israeli Mosaic Law in order to be saved and to “keep their salvation”, etc.

- 1. Saved in Damascus, Syria**
- 2. Went to Arabia (after his salvation experience)**
- 3. Returned to Damascus – 3 years then the “Basket Escape”**
- 4. Went to Jerusalem (Acts 9:26-30 → Barnabas – right hand of fellowship)**
- 5. Went to Tarsus – for a number of years until Barnabas called on him in Acts 13. Then Acts 13 thru 15 followed (first missionary journey)**

Galatians 1:6-24 – **The Gospel As It Should Be** (part 2)

Implications:

1. The Gospel is **NOT** a “new version” of the **Old Covenant - Israeli Mosaic Law** (of Judaism)
If it were – Paul, a Jew, a Rabbi, Ravi Shaul (Saul) would’ve made sure every church the he was planting knew about this, right from the start. But, he did not. He made sure that they knew that they were a part of the **New Covenant**.
In fact, Paul goes out of the way (read Acts 9 thru 15) to make sure recipient of the Gospel of Christ know they are in the **New Covenant** relationship with God in Christ.

Galatians 1:6-24 – The Gospel As It Should Be (part 2)

Implications:

- 2. Paul uses his Miraculous Calling of God to Preach the Gospel of Christ among the Gentiles as the proof that he is not “pushing” a “new form” of Judaism. He called his “former life in Judaism” on the witness stand to testify. He contrasted his New LIFE in Christ as DISTINCT from Judaism. This was DIRECTLY from JESUS, the Messiah, Himself – via Direct Revelation.**
- 3. The Gospel of Christ (the message) that Paul was proclaiming was the same as that of the first set of apostles in Christ (Peter, John, James, etc.)
→ Validated, Verified and Certified - GENUINE**

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I make known to you, brethren, the GOSPEL which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand, ² by which also you are SAVED, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. ³ For I delivered to you as of FIRST importance what I also RECEIVED, that Christ DIED for our SINS according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was BURIED, and that He was RAISED on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that He APPEARED to Cephas (i.e. Peter), then to the twelve. ⁶ After that He APPEARED to more than FIVE HUNDRED brethren at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep; ⁷ then He APPEARED to James, then to all the apostles; ⁸ and last of all, as to one untimely born, He APPEARED to me also. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, and not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God within me. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.