

Study: Galatians

Text: Galatians 1:11-24

“PAUL’S TESTIMONY”

Memory Verses: Galatians 5:16 & 22-23 *This* I say then, Walk in the **Spirit**, and ye shall NOT fulfill the lust of the flesh. ²² But the fruit of the **Spirit** is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, ²³ Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

In this study, we are considering the walk of the Christian—Christian living—understanding Christian liberty.

I. How Paul _____ the Gospel Message (v. 11-17)

A. Consider his _____ (v. 11-12)

1. He did not _____ his message from man (v. 11-12a)

Cf. Ephesians 2:1-3

2. His message was _____ by God (v. 12b)

This “*revelation*” is a removal of that which _____. It is an uncovering of truth.

B. Consider his _____ (v. 13-16b)

1. Paul was a _____ man (v. 13-14)

Acts 9:1 “And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the **Lord**, ...”

Cf. 1 Timothy 1:15

2. Paul became a _____ man (v. 15-16b)

On the road to Damascus something powerful took place (Acts 9:1-6).

Q: Is there anything too hard for the Lord?

Jeremiah 32:17 Ah **Lord GOD!** behold, **Thou** hast made the heaven and the earth by **Thy** great power and stretched out arm, *and there is nothing too hard for Thee:*

- a. How he was _____ (v. 15)

God saved Paul simply as an act of _____.

- b. How he was _____ (v. 16b)

Paul’s first response was to _____ Christ (Acts 9:6).

C. Consider his _____ (v. 16c-17)

His going “*into Arabia*” seems to speak of his seeking out _____ time with God.

It is important for each of us to understand that daily time spent with God will prepare us to be used of God.

II. How People _____ to the Gospel Message (v. 18-24)

- A. *We see...* What the people _____ know— Paul’s _____ (v. 22)

- B. *We see...* What the people _____ know— Paul’s _____ (v. 23)

Q: Do people see a difference in you?

- C. *We see...* What the people did— _____ (v. 24)

Galatians 6:14 But **God** forbid that I should glory [*boast/exalt*], save in the cross of our **Lord Jesus Christ**, by **Whom** the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

Matthew 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your **Father** which is in heaven.

Q: Does anyone praise God as a direct result of the way you live your life?

Q: Does your life encourage faith in Christ or discourage it?

Both *legalism* and *license* discourage but Biblical Christian liberty encourages others to come to Christ and to grow in Christ.

What is my next step? (READ Galatians 2 for next Sunday)

(*Put off*) What must I put off that is both hinder my walk with Christ or someone else’s?

(*Renew your mind*) What qualities or Words of Christ must I meditate upon?

(*Put on*) What qualities of Christ must I seek to have as a characteristic of my life?

What Is My Next Step?

Hearing — Giving *attention* to God's Word with the intent to obey it – James 1:21-25
Doing — Making *application* of God's Word to be more like Christ – Eph. 4:22-24

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1. What did God show **me** that **I** must confess and forsake because it does not reflect Christ and hurts **my** relationship with Him and others? (**Put OFF**)

2. What did God show **me** about Himself in this text? (**Renew**)
 - a. What is He like?
 - b. What does He like?
 - c. What does He dislike?

3. What does God say to me in this text? (**Renew**)
 - a. What command to obey?
 - b. What promise to claim?
 - c. What principle to apply (*If I do _____, then God will do _____*)?

 - d. What example to follow?

4. What verse(s) should **I** memorize and meditate upon through-out this week to help make **my** change lasting? (**Renew**)

5. In light of what I have heard from God,... (**Put ON**)
 - a. What character quality of Jesus must **I** demonstrate *with God's help* this week?
 - b. In what situations will **I** most likely be tempted not to respond in a Christ-like way?
 - c. How can **I** get ready for those situations? (*If I don't have a plan for change, it probably won't happen.*)

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