

Galatians 1:11-24

Sermon Outline – 11th October 2009

INTRODUCTION...

1. KNOW THIS... Paul's gospel is God's gospel

The Claim: not man-made (v11)

not _____

not _____

The Evidence: historical facts (v13-24)

Before

i) v13:

ii) v14:

After

i) v16:

ii) v17-19:

iii) v21-22:

iv) v23-24:

The Conclusion: divine _____! (v15-16, 24)

God's C _____ (v15)

God's C _____ (v15-16)

God's C _____ (v16, v12)

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2. Since Paul's gospel is God's gospel, DO THIS...

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RECAP

How might you sum up Galatians 1:1-10 in 2 bullet points?

LINK

How do v11-12 pick up on themes introduced in v1-10?

APPLY

So... a) In evangelism / teaching each other, what do we pass on?

b) What are the implications of this?

UNDER ATTACK!

4. From v10-12... what have the false teachers been saying about Paul?

5. How do v16-19 & v21-22 support Paul's claims in v10-12?

6. What's the implication of v24... i) for the Galatians? ii) for us?

7. Why do you think the false teachers made personal attacks on Paul?

8. Why is it important that Paul defended himself?

APPLY

9. Why might people give evangelical Christians a hard time?

10. Learning from Paul's example, how could we defend ourselves, if people find our gospel offensive?

11. How should we respond to a Christian who says they love Jesus' teaching, but find Paul's letters offensive?

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FLASHBACK!

12. What sort of man was Paul/Saul before his conversion?

[See also: Acts 8:1-3, 9:1-2, 22:3-5, 26:9-12]

13. How do v13-16 back up Paul's claim in v12?

i.e. *what has his violent past got to do with anything?!*

IMAGINE...

14. How do you think Paul might have felt, writing v13-14?

[See also: 1Timothy 1:12-17, Philippians 3:4-9]

APPLY

15. a) What can happen, when the gospel runs up against religions or worldviews which are *not* centred on the grace of God in Christ?

b) Can you think of examples from...

i) personal experience?

ii) around the world today?

iii) 20th Century history?

16. In the light of this study / discussion, how should we be *praying*?

EXTRAS [*only if you have time...*]

16. What does v15 teach about...

i) election

ii) God's call

iii) mission

APPLY

17. To what extent does this pattern [*election>call>mission*] apply to us?

18. To what extent should people today expect to have a "conversion-experience" like Paul?

[See: John 20:26-29, 20:30-31; Acts 2:37-41, 2:42-48, 6:7, 9:31...]