

The True Gospel

Galatians 1:6-7

Intro:

- A. Paul had preached the true gospel to the Galatians.
 - 1. He preached God's plan of salvation.
 - 2. It rests in God's grace.
- B. These brethren changed to a false gospel.
 - 1. Someone preached another gospel.
 - 2. They believed it and supported it.
 - 3. Paul marveled at such a change.

I. The Galatian Desertion. Vs. 6

- A. "I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ..."
 - 1. "Marvel" = θαυμαζω = "to be astonished", Paul was awe-stricken by the suddenness of their change.
 - 2. "Soon" = Ταχεως = "speedily", "quickly".
 - 3. "Removed" = μεταπιθαμι = "to transfer", "to desert", "to change one's opinion", "to revolt, as in the military".
 - 4. "Called" = καλεω = "to invite", "to summons".
 - 5. They were called, "into the grace of Christ".
- B. "...unto another gospel".
 - 1. "Another" = ετερος = denotes generic distinction.
 - 2. "Gospel" = "The good message", "the correct message", In the New Testament it is the message of salvation and the work of God in bringing His will to come on the earth. Hence, the, "gospel of the kingdom".
 - 3. It is not only the death, burial, and resurrection but teaching their true relationship to salvation.
 - 4. The gospel they had been led to accept was heterodox, not orthodox. It was not close but generically a whole different thing. These gospels were as different as a hammer and a chocolate cake.
- C. Vs. 7a "which is not another;"
 - 1. "Another" = αλλος = "not the same".
 - 2. This false gospel was not some mild deviation of the true gospel but is altogether a different specie.

II. The Source Of Change. Vs. 7b

- A. **"...but there be some that trouble you..."**
1. "...there are certain individuals"
 2. "Trouble" = ταρασσω = "to stir up", "to agitate as water in a lake", "to shake back and forth". This had to do with their emotions.
- B. **"...and would pervert the gospel of Christ."**
1. "Pervert" = μεταστρεφω = "to turn about", "to turn into something else", "to change to the opposite. Here to change from grace to works.
 2. They were changing the message Christ proclaimed. Some think they know more than Christ!
 3. Be careful in making change. What we change something into may be something entirely different.