

## Galatians Outline and Preaching Sections

- I. Introduction, 1:1-9
  - A. Greeting, 1:1-5
    - 1. Apostleship from Jesus and God the Father
    - 2. Galatian churches – where, timing
    - 3. Substitutionary atonement
    - 4. Purpose to deliver us from this present evil age. This is the will of God.
  - B. Occasion and theme, 1:6-10
    - 1. Astonishment
    - 2. Apostasy
    - 3. Another Gospel
    - 4. Anathema
    - 5. Not pleasing man, 1:10
- II. The Gospel Defended As to Its Origin and Content, 1:11-2:21
  - A. The source of the Gospel, 1:11-17
    - 1. Gospel not sourced in man but in Jesus Christ, 1:11-12
      - i) I.e. it was independently verified
    - 2. Paul's former conduct in Judaism, 1:13-14
      - i) Paul abandoned that system, why had not Judaizers?
    - 3. God's intervention, 1:15-16a
    - 4. Gospel not sourced in man (again), 1:16b-17
  - B. Paul's first trip to Jerusalem, 1:18-24
  - C. Paul's second trip to Jerusalem, 2:1-10
    - 1. Deal carefully with the p. 28 notes in Combs Acts & Pauline as to why this is the Acts 11 visit.
  - D. Paul's confrontation with Peter at Antioch, 2:11-21
    - 1. Peter knew what Paul was saying but his practice was inconsistent and wrong. He was not straightforward with the truth of the gospel.
- III. The Gospel Explained, 3:1-4:31
  - A. The Galatians' previous Christian experience, 3:1-14
  - B. The relation of the law to the Abrahamic Covenant, 3:15-22
  - C. The relation of the law to Christian faith, 3:23-4:7
  - D. The folly of returning to the law, 4:8-20
  - E. The allegory of Abraham's sons, 4:21-31
- IV. The Gospel Applied, 5:1-6:10
  - A. Exhortation to stand firm in freedom, 5:1-12
  - B. Exhortation to walk by the Spirit, 5:13-26
  - C. Exhortation to fulfill responsibilities to others, 6:1-10
    - 1. 6:1
    - 2. 6:2-5
    - 3. 6:6-10 – all of these are about doing good.
- V. Concluding Summary, 6:11-18