

01 – Galatians 1:1-10 – Only one way

How do we guard ourselves to ensure that we do not walk away from following Jesus?

Setting the scene

Acts 9

The problem ... full and proper followers of Jesus would not only have their sins forgiven by Jesus they would also need to adopt Jewish customs like circumcision.

... Acts 15:1 & 5

A loaded greeting

... he was appointed directly by Jesus.

... the gospel he proclaims is NOT his gospel ... but it comes directly from God.

Apostle and apostle

Paul is an Apostle

When you read the bible today do you think that what Paul wrote is equally God's written word, alongside the Old Testament or what Luke or John wrote?

... sent by God with God's authority.

A clear gospel reminder

Firstly, it is Jesus Christ who gave himself for our sins to rescue us.

Secondly, Jesus rescues us from this present evil age.

Thirdly, it is according to the will of God.

Finally, all about the glory of God.

False gospel teachers

Gal 1:6... The churches in Galatian are deserting this God given gospel message of God's grace.

Gal 1:8-9 even if an angel from heaven should show up with lots of bells and whistles doing extraordinary things but speaking a different gospel he will be under God's curse.

... not negotiable,

... not adjustable

... not replaceable

Whose opinion matters

... in the end he is only trying to please God not people.

For us today**1) Only one gospel**

Do you have a confidence in the gospel message that Paul proclaimed?

Do you see it as God's unchangeable gospel message?

2) False gospels around

Acts 15:1, Whilst Jesus has died on the cross for your sins to make you right before God "unless you are or unless you have done.... or something like this then you cannot be saved" then they have a false gospel.

Common distortions

- Gospel plus ...
- Gospel =

3) Who is in your grandstand?