

GALATIANS – INTRODUCTION (GAL 1:1-5)

“Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;)...”
~ Galatians 1:1 ~

1. “Paul an apostle”

1 Tim 2:7, 2 Tim 1:11 – I am appointed, ordained
Neither of man, neither by man – 1 Cor 15:4-10
2 Cor 12:2 – signs of an apostle – the chief
Rom 11:13 – the apostle to the Gentiles
1 Cor 9:1-4 – Am I not an apostle? Ye are my seal.

2. ‘churches of Galatia’

Acts 16:6 – Paul visits Galatia
Acts 18:23 – Paul revisits Galatia
What did Silas and Timotheus say? Acts 18:3

3. “Grace to you and peace”

The opposite of judgment and war – Rev 19:11
Paul is sent to Gentiles – Acts 22: 21 ()
Paul’s gospel was a furtherance of God’s revelation – Gal 2:7-8
The law was our schoolmaster – Gal 3:24
Grace instead of works and judgment;
Peace instead of wrath and condemnation
Rom 1:18, 5:1 – we have peace with God

4. “who gave himself for our sins”

As opposed to other people slaying him – Acts 2:23 - Jesus gave himself
Rom 4:25 – delivered for our offenses
Rom 3:25 – whom God hath set forth
Isaiah 53:10 ←Where’s gospel of grace? – but it pleased the Lord to bruise him
The gospel of the blood means nothing without the recognition of sin – Rom 3:18-19

5. “deliver us from this present evil world”

Not deliver us from evil --- matt 6:13, Luke 1:70
Rather deliver us from this present evil world – Col 1:13
2 Cor 4:1-7 – the treasure in earthen vessels
2 Cor 2:11 – we are not ignorant of his devices – Eph 6:11 – his wiles
2 Tim 4:17-18 – he preserves us --- 2 Tim 1:12

OUR RESPONSE: Glory to God for his grace and peace given through Jesus Christ