Denunciation

## Denunciation (1:6-10)

## 1. The Problem – Desertion from the LORD and His gospel. Verse 6,7

Paul is surprised that the Galatian churches have left the life of grace in Christ, in order to follow another message. We are saved by grace through faith—we are to live by grace through faith.

Gospel. GREEK: *euengelion*. From which we get our word— evangelical. Paul has heard that some individuals have come in behind him and perverted the good news of Jesus Christ.

What is the Gospel of God or of Christ?

ohn 3:14-18	
ohn 11:25-27	
ohn 20:30-31	
Corinthians 15:1-7	
omans 10:9-13	

Justification: The Sovereign and Judicial act of God whereby he declares the believing sinner righteous while they are still in the sinning state.

**The true gospel:** faith in Jesus Christ = eternal life + good works.

However, Paul wrote that these individuals had perverted the gospel he had preached to them. Pervert– GREEK: metastrepho– to turn across, transmute or corrupt. I.e. Acts 2:20; James 4:9.

**The false gospel:** faith in Jesus Christ + good works (keeping the law) = eternal life.

## 2. The Seriousness of the Issue. Vs. 8-9

Those who corrupt the gospel of Jesus Christ are under God's curse. The ramifications of such error have eternal consequences.

## 3. The Accusation against Paul. Verse 10

The Judaizers accused Paul of compromising his message so as to please people. This was why he said the Galatians didn't need to submit to the law in order to be saved. In actuality, the true gospel offends more than the false gospel. Why? Because it confronts the individual with the reality that they aren't good enough, and can never be good enough. They are lost and need a savior. It is only by God's grace and mercy that one can be saved—this is an afront to human pride. Jesus is the rock that makes people stumble! 1 Peter 2:4-8

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