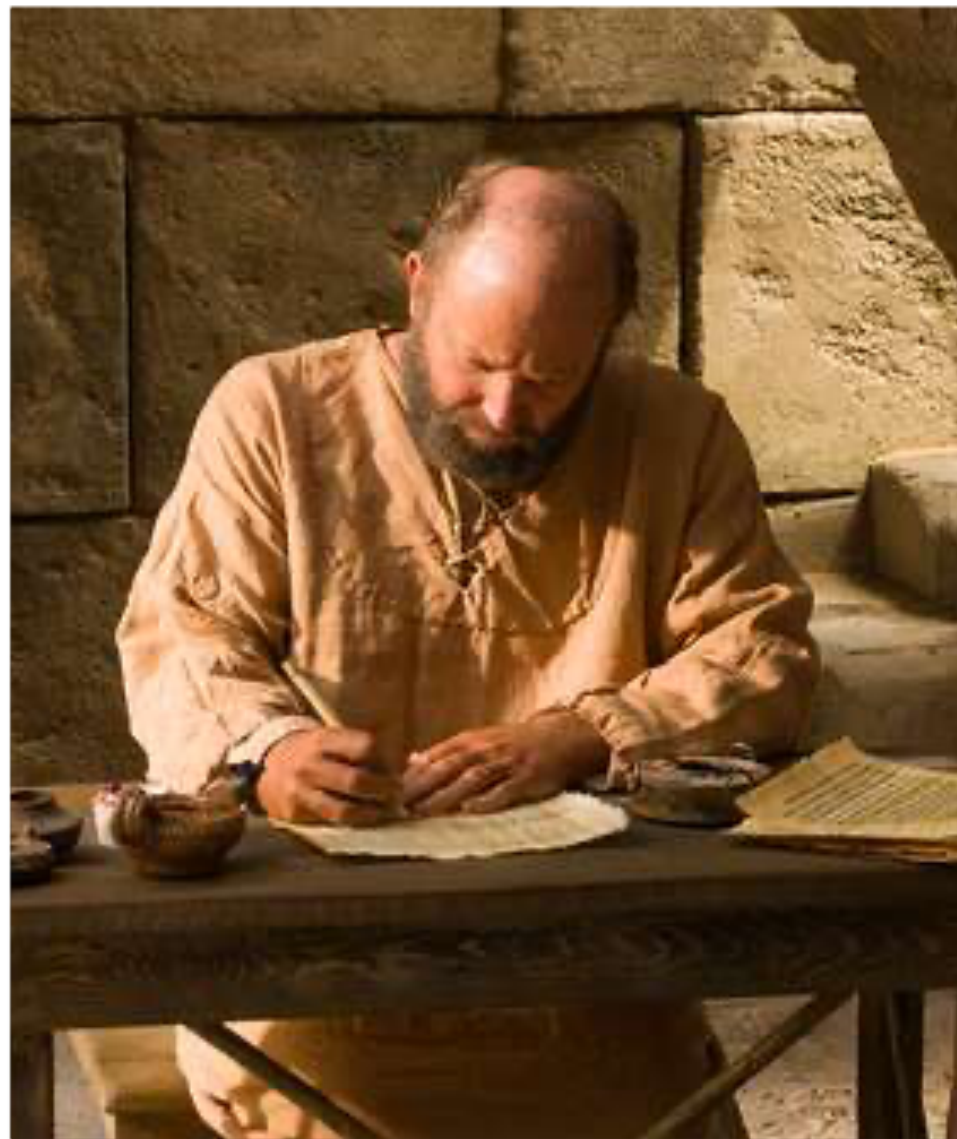


THE TRUE, PURE, SUFFICIENT, EFFECTUAL
GOSPEL



Galatians 1:6-12

The True, Pure, Sufficient, Effectual Gospel



- **Written to counter those attempting to pervert the GOSPEL**
 - ▶ Judaizers - added the Law of Moses to the gospel, (circumcision, sabbaths, feast days, dietary regulations, etc.)
 - ▶ If adding things from “the Law of Moses” perverts the gospel, how MUCH MORE adding the teachings of men?

Galatians 1:6–12 (NKJV)

⁶ I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, ⁷ which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ. ⁸ But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed. ⁹ As we have said before, so now I say again, if anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed. ¹⁰ For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I would not be a bondservant of Christ. ¹¹ But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. ¹² For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught *it*, but *it came* through the revelation of Jesus Christ.^a

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- ▶ Source of Paul's apostleship - 1:1,15; 2:7,8; Rom 1:5,6; 1 Tim. 1:11-14; 2 Tim. 1:1; Titus 1:3
- ▶ Paul received the gospel directly from Jesus - 1:11-17, 23; Eph. 3:1-5; 1 Cor. 2:9,10, 12,13; 11:23; 15:1-3
- ▶ Paul made the true gospel known - 1:11,23; 2:2; 3:13; 6:11; 1 Cor. 2:9,10,12,13; Eph. 3:3-5

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1 Corinthians 4:6 (NKJV)

⁶ Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up on behalf of one against the other.

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2 Timothy 3:16–17 (NKJV)

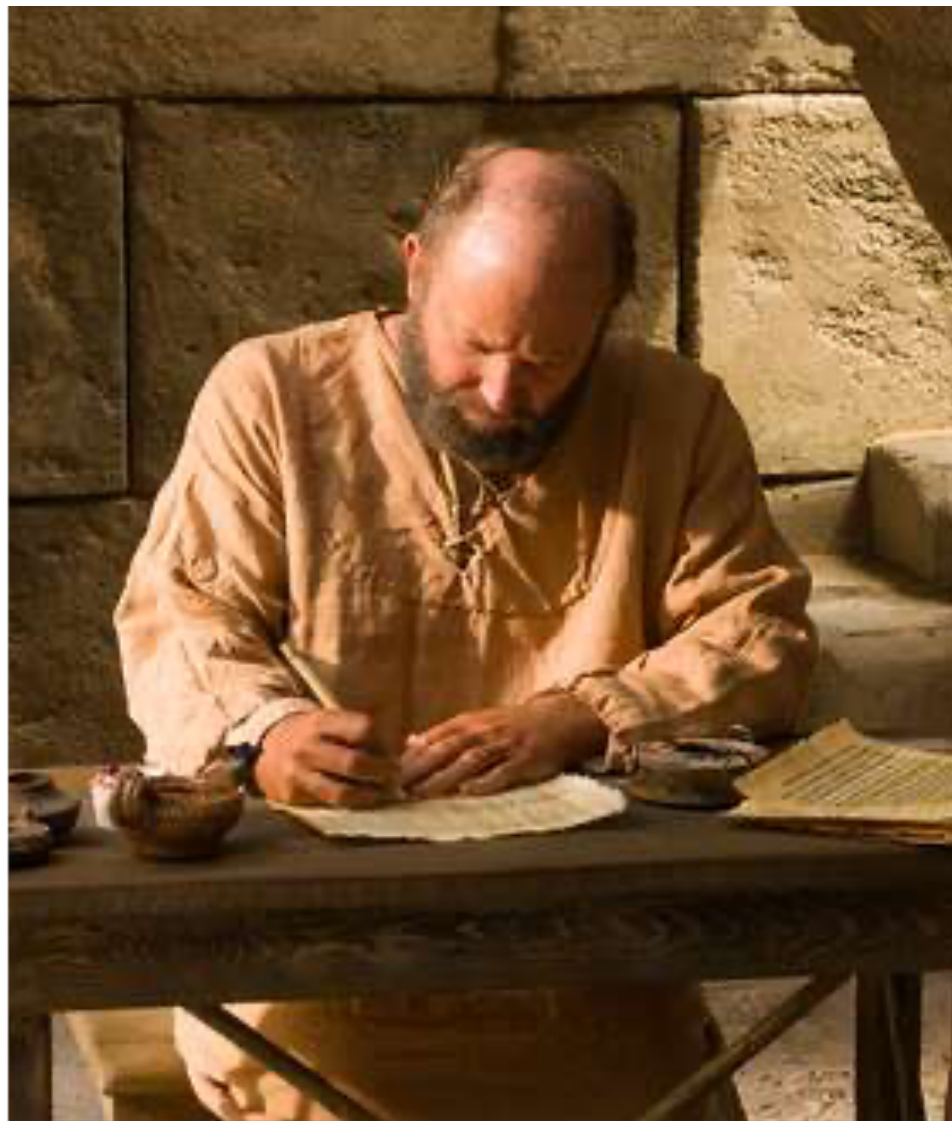
¹⁶ All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

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The PURITY of the TRUE GOSPEL

Galatians 1:8 (NKJV)

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■ To ADD that which is NOT taught in the N.T. to the gospel message:

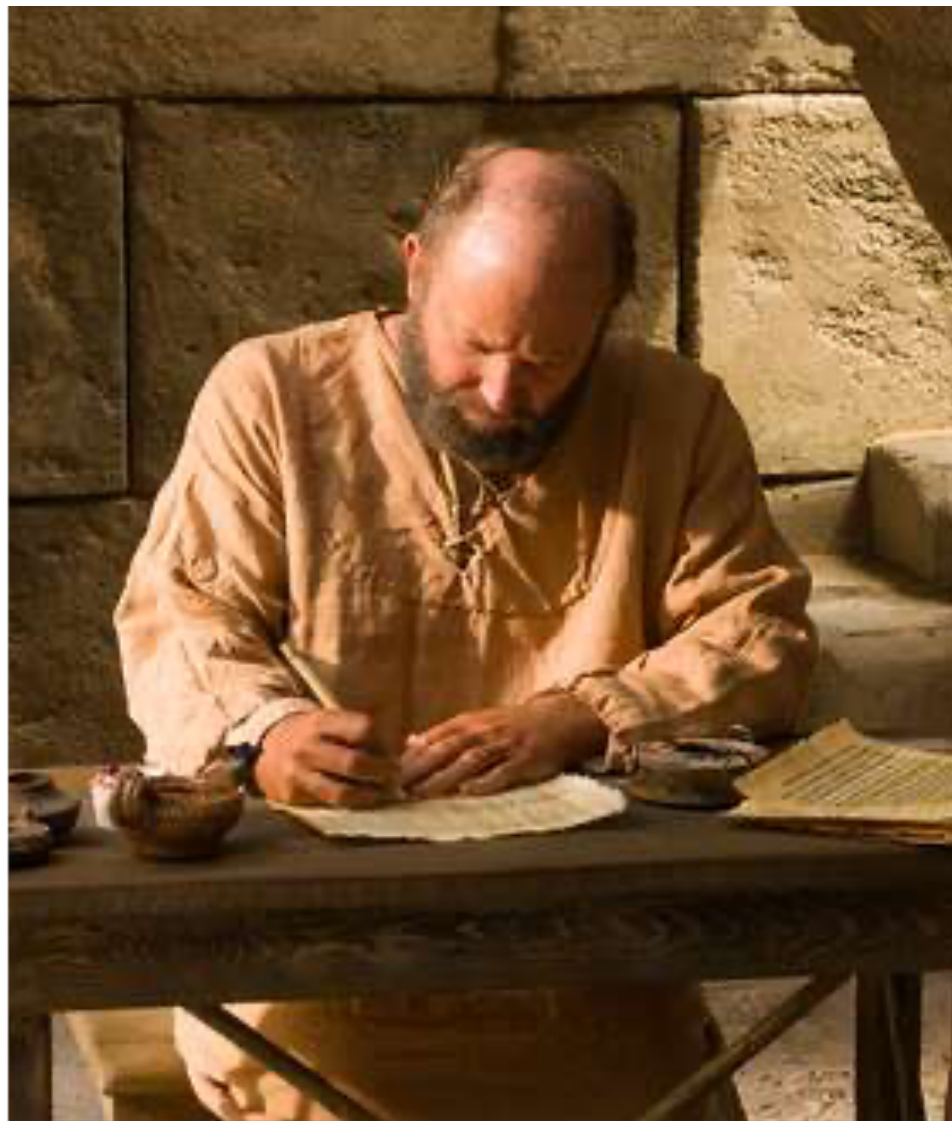
- ▶ **Makes it DIFFERENT** — 1:6; Ro. 10:3; 2 Co. 11:4.
- ▶ **Perverts it** — 1:7; ch. 5:10, 12; Je. 23:26; Ac. 13:10; 15:1, 24; 2 Co. 4:2; 1 Ti. 4:1–3; 2 Ti. 2:18; 3:8, 9; 4:3, 4; 2 Pe. 2:1–3; 1 Jno. 2:18, 19, 26; 4:1.
- ▶ **Brings a CURSE** — 1:8,9; Mat. 25:41; 1 Cor. 16:22; 2 Pe. 2:14.

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■ A DIFFERENT GOSPEL ...

- ▶ Saved by faith alone w/o obedience.
- ▶ The sinners prayer? Ask Jesus to come into your heart?
- ▶ One church is as good as another? Denominationalism?
- ▶ The Pope / "The Pastor" / clergy / Women preachers / etc.
- ▶ The social gospel / health & wealth gospel / etc.
- ▶ Adding to N.T. worship ...

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The SUFFICIENCY of the TRUE GOSPEL

Galatians 3:3 (NKJV)

³ Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh?



■ The **GOSPEL ALONE** is sufficient to produce justification, liberty and **LIFE** —

- ▶ The conflict over circumcision was a serious one — 2:1-10
- ▶ Peter's hypocrisy — 2:11-16
- ▶ To mingle the Law of Moses with the gospel brings bondage to sin and death — 2:17-19; 5:1-4
- ▶ The gospel is to be defended & sufficiently exposes sin and error — 4:11-16; cf. 2:1-5, 11; 5:11,12

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- ▶ The gospel is sufficient to justify men — 2:16-19; Rom 1:16,17
- ▶ The gospel is sufficient to produce life to God — 2:19-21
- ▶ The gospel was the fulfillment of God's promise to Abraham — 3:6-9, 13-18, 26-29.
- ▶ The gospel is sufficient to liberate us from sin — 3:1,10; 4:1-10; 5:1-4

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■ Those unsatisfied with the true gospel of Christ:

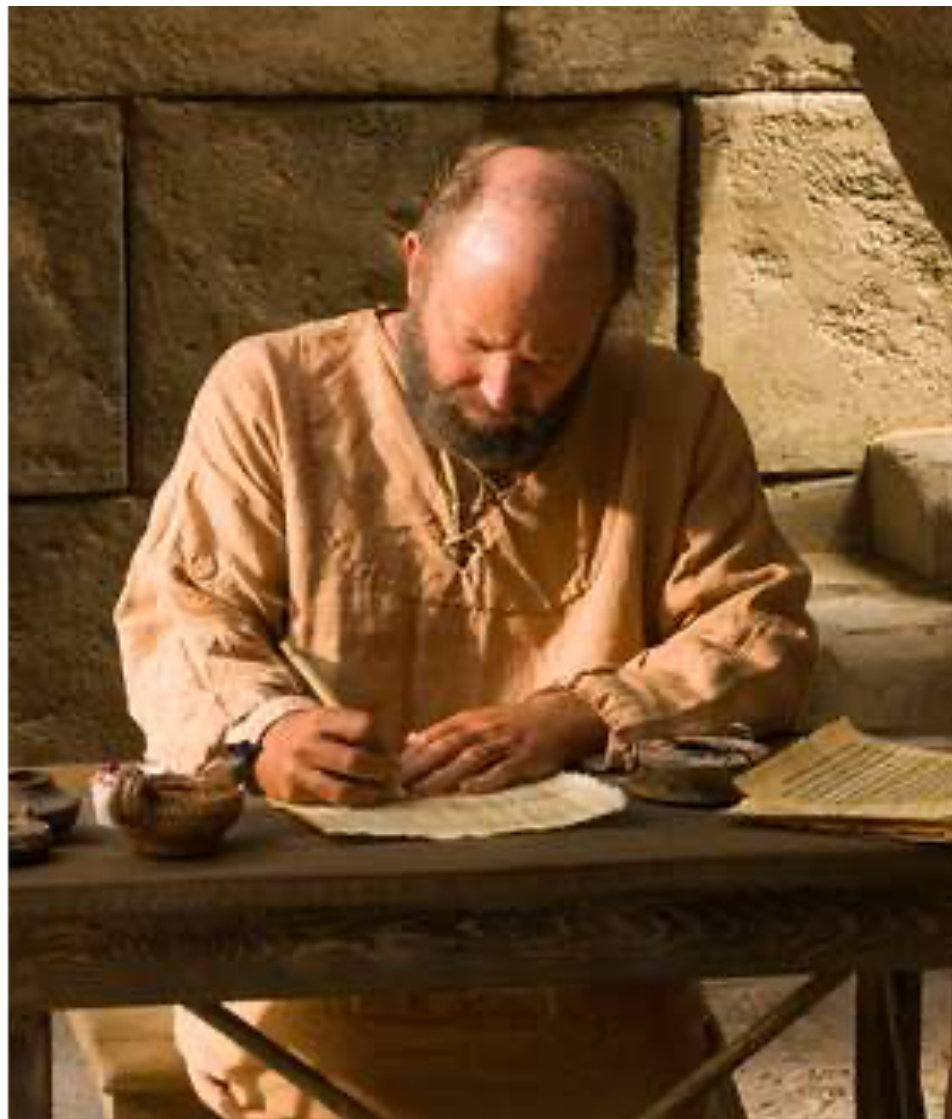
- ▶ Add their “want to’s” to it — Phili 2:21;; Mat. 15:7-9; Col. 2:8-10
- ▶ Reject it in favor of what they want — 2 Tim. 4:2-4
- ▶ Oppose and fight against it when it is presented — 4:16; 5:7-12; 1 Ki. 18:17, 18; Jno. 7:7
- ▶ Are zealous to win others to their perverted teaching — 4:17; 6:12, 13; Mat. 23:15.

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The EFFICACY of the TRUE GOSPEL

Galatians 4:19 (NKJV)

¹⁹ My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you,



■ The gospel alone can make us WHO we ought to be!

- ▶ The Law could NOT make men “PERFECT” but the gospel can — 3:1-3; Col. 2:10
- ▶ Equips one to resist sin — 5:16-18, 24; Rom. 6:1,2,11,12-14; Eph. 6:10-18; 1 Pet 4:1,2; 5:6-11; Ja. 4:7
- ▶ Produces the fruit of the Spirit — 5:22,23; John 15:2; 2 Pet. 1:5-10
- ▶ Everlasting life — 6:8.9; 1 Ti. 1:16; Tit. 1:2; 3:7; Jude 21.

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Galatians 3:26–27 (NKJV)

²⁶ For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. ²⁷ For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

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Galatians 6:7–8 (NKJV)

⁷ Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. ⁸ For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.

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2 Corinthians 11:1–4 (NKJV)

¹ Oh, that you would bear with me in a little folly—and indeed you do bear with me. ² For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present *you as* a chaste virgin to Christ. ³ But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. ⁴ For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or *if* you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted—you may well put up with it!