

DO YOU WANT TO BE FREE?

DUELING GOSPELS?

Galatians 1:1-10

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I am amazed that you are so quickly deserting Him who called you by the grace of Christ, for a different gospel; which is really not another; only there are some who are disturbing you and want to distort the gospel of Christ. Galatians 1:6-7

How can you discern the true gospel from the false?

1. Check the source.

Paul, and apostle (not sent from men, nor through the agency of man, but through Jesus Christ, and God the Father who raised Him from the dead). Galatians 1:1

A. Paul was truly called by God.

B. Paul was truly living for His glory.

...to whom be the glory forevermore. Amen. Galatians 1:5

2. Check for distortion.

A. The devil perverts the truth.

But Saul, who was also known as Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, fixed his gaze on him [Bar-Jesus], and said, "You who are full of all deceit and fraud, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease to make crooked the straight ways of the Lord?" Acts 13:9-10

B. The devil attacks the gospel of grace.

1. He will try to destroy grace with works.

But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works, otherwise grace is no longer grace. Romans 11:6

2. He will try to destroy grace with wantonness.

3. Check the end game.

A. The devil wants bondage for the Christian and inoculation for the non-Christian.

B. God wants grace and peace, deliverance and freedom.

* **Messing with the true gospel is serious business.**

But even though we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to that which we have preached to you, let him be accursed! As we have said before, so I say again now, if any man is preaching to you a gospel contrary to that which you received, let him be accursed! Galatians 1:8-9

** **Discernment is needed in these last day more than ever.**
