

YE DID RUN WELL – THE PREACHING.

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INTRODUCTION:

A. Read the text: Gal. 5:7-9; 1:6-12.

B. Regarding the text:

1. The Galatians had “run well,” but had been hindered (Gal. 5:7).
 - 1) By those who preached a perverted gospel (Gal. 1:6-7).
 - 2) By the influence from unfaithful brethren (Gal. 5:7-9).
2. Christians must run well both as individuals and as congregations.
3. Only the gospel that Paul (and other apostles) preached can make us run well.

C. Let us look at some characteristics of the gospel that Paul preached.

DISCUSSION: THE GOSPEL PAUL PREACHED WAS...

I. REVEALED (VS. 12).

A. Apostles and prophets received it by revelation.

1. Divine revelation (Gal. 1:11-23).
2. The mystery revealed (Eph. 3:3-4).
3. Confirmed this revelation with supernatural proof (Matt. 9:1-8; Heb. 2:3-4).

B. All others received it from gospel preaching (Acts 2; Gal. 1:8-9; 1 Cor. 1:21).

II. NARROW (VS. 8-9).

A. This revelation allowed men to follow one way (Matt. 7:13-14; Eph. 4:4-6).

B. It brought people together in one faith (Eph. 4:16; Gal. 3:28; 1 Cor. 12:13).

C. It produced a people with one hope (Heb. 6:18-19; 1 Thess. 4:13-18).

D. Obedience to IT placed men in ONE church (Acts 2:47).

III. PURE (VS. 7).

A. A perverted gospel is NOT the gospel of Christ.

1. A perverted gospel transforms it “into something of opposite character” (Vine).
 - 1) The gospel saves (Rom. 1:16).
 - 2) A perverted gospel cannot save (Eph. 5:6).
2. A perverted gospel changes God’s word (Rev. 22:18-19; Rom. 16:18; 2 Tim. 4:1-4).
3. Note: “Another, yet not another” (For there is no other).

B. A perverted gospel produces perverted results (Eph. 4:4-6).

1. A perverted body: produces denominationalism.
2. A perverted Spirit: teaches direct operation of the Holy Spirit.
3. A perverted calling: dismisses the gospel call.
4. A perverted Lord: believing Christ is not deity.
5. A perverted faith: Some teach multiple faiths. Just be sincere!
6. A perverted baptism: Sprinkling, pouring or nothing at all.
7. A perverted God: A God that overlooks sin, that did not keep His promises or some believe in multiple gods.

IV. CONCLUSION:

A. Begin to run well by obeying the gospel that Paul preached.

B. Continue to run well by obeying the gospel that Paul preached.