Galatians 1 (Part 3):11-24 Study Notes • The Witness of a Changed Life

Part One: Not Man's Gospel

- How did the Apostle Paul form his theology? (1:16-17)
- Why was it important for Paul to establish the independent nature of his ministry?
- Why did Paul want his readers to know how limited his relationship was to the apostles? (1:18-19) (Answer: He wanted to emphasize that he received his Gospel from Jesus and NOT by being taught from any other man.)
- The Apostle Paul told the Galatians that the Gospel of Jesus is NOT "man's Gospel." What about the Gospel confirms that? (Answer: It provides NO WAY for man to be saved on his own but requires that we trust God completely.)
- What would you say to someone who told you we need more than simple faith in Christ to be saved?

Part Two: Your Life Transformed

- What three things did God do for Saul when he intervened in his life? (1:15-16)
- What was Paul trying to establish by bringing up his personal history? (1:13-14)
- Before his conversion, what was Paul's approach to Judaism? (1:14)
- Why did Paul's background make him the perfect person to speak to the Galatians at this time?
- Why did the Judean churches glorify God when they heard the report about Paul?
- What kind of changes should we expect Jesus to make in our life when we come to Him?
- What does your "before and after" conversion pictures like? List three changes Christ has made in your life.
- What change do you most want to see in your life that would reflect that you belong to Jesus?