

ἡμεῖς οὖν οὕτως ἀρχόμεθα
πρὸς ὑμᾶς καὶ δημοστέργειν

GALATIANS

ἀφίσαυ
τὸς αὐτὸ
λαλιεδο
πόμεται

καὶ πησασαν
οἰσσω τὰ τῶν

**Protect
The Gospel**

You were running well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth? This persuasion is not from him who calls you. A little leaven leavens the whole lump. I have confidence in the Lord that you will take no other view, and the one who is troubling you will bear the penalty, whoever he is. But if I, brothers, still preach circumcision, why am I still being persecuted?

In that case the offense of the cross
has been removed. I wish those who
unsettle you would emasculate
themselves!

Galatians 5:7-12

...a rambling collection of pointed remarks, rhetorical questions, proverbial expressions, threats, irony, and, concluding it all, a joke of sarcasm.

– Hans Dieter Betz



You were **running** well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth?

Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

I press on toward the goal for the
prize of the upward call of God in
Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:14

I have fought the good fight, I have
finished the race, I have kept the
faith.

2 Timothy 4:7

The devil is a juggler with a thousand tricks, by means of which he is able to impress such an obvious and shameful lie on the heart that you would swear a thousand times that it is the most certain truth.

– Martin Luther



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you from **obeying the truth**?

through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the **obedience of faith** for the sake of his name among all the nations

Romans 1:5

But they have not all **obeyed the gospel**. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has **believed** what he has heard from us?”

Romans 10:16

For I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me to bring the Gentiles **to obedience**

(Romans 15:18, ESV)

Then they said to him, “What must we **do**, to be doing the **works** of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the **work** of God, that you **believe** in him whom he has sent.”

John 6:28-29

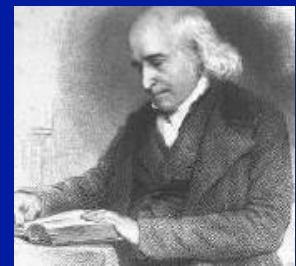
This persuasion is **not from him
who calls you**. A little leaven
leavens the whole lump.

I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting **him who called you in the grace of Christ** and are turning to a different gospel
Galatians 1:6

I have confidence in the Lord that you
will take no other view...

The Christian teacher ought always to act under the influence of the charity which 'hopeth all things,' and when he stands in doubt of any of those whose souls are committed to his care, he must not conceal his hopes while he makes known his fears.

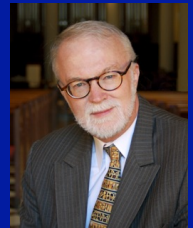
– John Brown



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bear the penalty, whoever he is.

Paul was not asking here for names and addresses, nor did he have any lurid interest in ferreting out the identity of his opponents. Regardless of the instrumentality of his flesh-and-blood adversaries, Paul knew that the prince of darkness was manipulating the situation in Galatia. His “dear children” were besieged by a supernatural foe, one that only the power of the Holy Spirit can successfully resist.

– Timothy George



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circumcision, why am I still being
persecuted? In that case the offense
of the cross has been removed.

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe?...Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles

1 Corinthians 1:20-23

The cross still offends. Do you know why? The cross offends for the same reason, because it obliterates all religion of human achievement and it strips every man naked in his own sin doesn't it? And people don't like to face the fact that they're naked before God in sinfulness and they have no recourse.

– John MacArthur

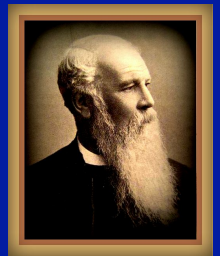


I wish those who unsettle you would
emasculate themselves!

If we would hold fast that which is good,
we must not tolerate any doctrine that is
not the pure doctrine of Christ's Gospel.

There is a hatred that is downright
charity: that is the hatred of erroneous
doctrine. There is an intolerance which is
downright praiseworthy: that is the
intolerance of false teaching in the pulpit.
Who would ever think of tolerating a little
poison given to him day by day?

– J. C. Ryle



O Timothy, guard the deposit entrusted to you. Avoid the irreverent babble and contradictions of what is falsely called "knowledge," for by professing it some have swerved from the faith.

1 Timothy 6:20-21

For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions

2 Timothy 4:3

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ.

Colossians 2:8

Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves.

Matthew 7:15

“Here the question arises whether Christians are permitted to curse. Yes, they are permitted to do so, but not always and not for just any reason. But when things come to the point where the Word is about to be cursed or its teaching—and, as a consequence, God himself—blasphemed, then you must invert your sentence and say: ‘Blessed be the Word and God! And cursed be anything apart from the Word and from God, whether it be an apostle or an angel from heaven!’

– Martin Luther

