

**GALATIANS**  
*The Gospel of Grace*

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**Philippians 3:10**

That ***I may know him***, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;

**2 Peter 3:18**

But **grow** in grace, and ***in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ***. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

**Ephesians 4:15**

But ***speaking the truth in love***, may **grow up into him in all things**, which is the head, ***even Christ***:

**Romans 1:16**

For I am not ashamed of ***the gospel of Christ***: for ***it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth***; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

**Acts 18:9**

Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, ***Be not afraid, but speak***, and hold not thy peace:

**1 Corinthians 2:1-5**

1 And I, brethren, when I came to you, ***came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom***, declaring unto you the testimony of God.

2 ***For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.***

3 And I was with you ***in weakness***, and ***in fear***, and ***in much trembling***.

4 And ***my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom***, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:

**WHY?**

5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, ***but in the power of God***.

**OVERVIEW OF GALATIANS**

**MAPS**

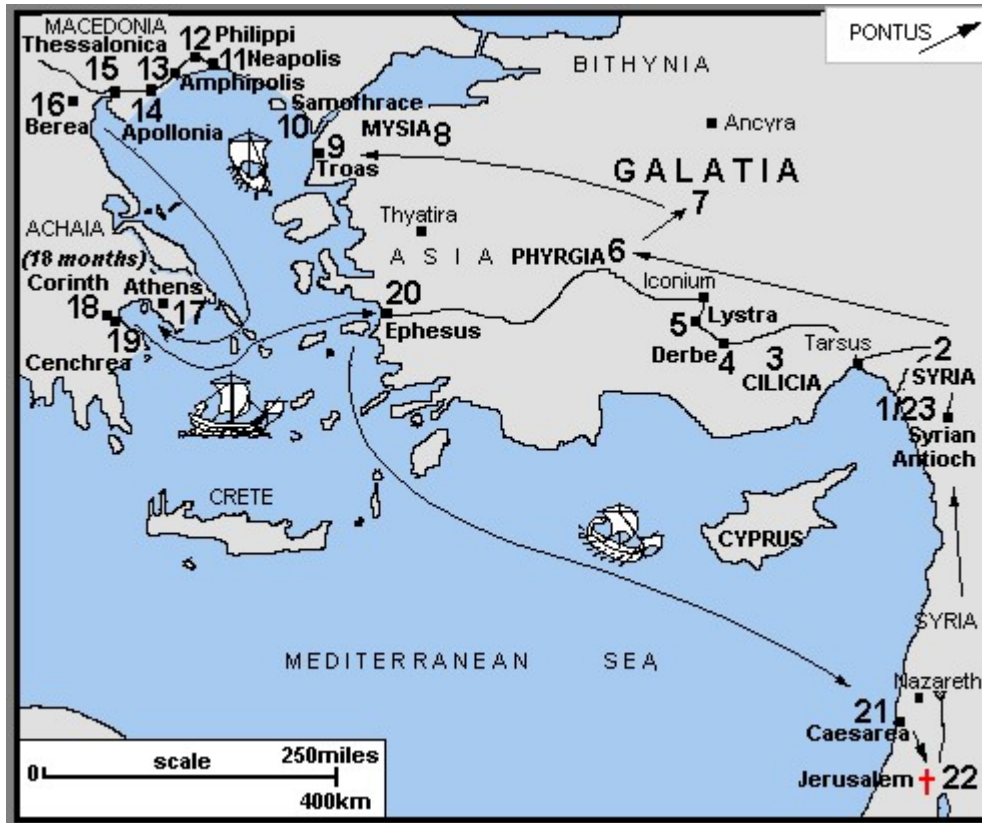
**Map 1. The Church in Syrian Antioch Grows and Gains Gentile Converts (Acts 11:19-30)**



**Map 2. Paul's First Missionary Journey, with Barnabas to Cyprus and Asia Minor AD46-48 and Its Sequel, the Council at Jerusalem AD49 (Acts 13:4-14:28)**



Map 3. Paul's Second Missionary Journey, with Silas returning to Asia Minor and on into Europe AD49-52 (Acts 15:40-18:23)

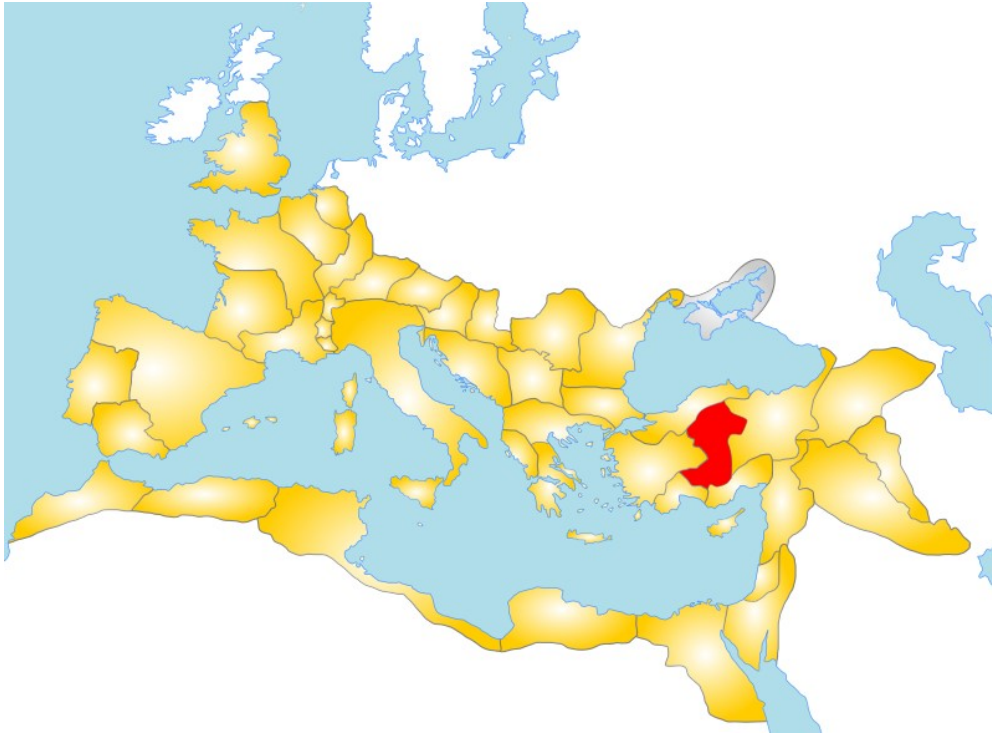


Map 4. Paul's Third Missionary Journey, returning to Asia Minor and Greece AD53-58 (Acts 18:23-20:3)





Map 5. Galatia as a Roman province in 117 AD.



Map 6. Part of a 15th Century map showing Galatia.



**OVERVIEW OF GALATIANS****Fundamental Information**

Title Means: **GALS or KELTS (country of Galatia); "GAL" means CHISEL – like carving into a solid material or chipping away at something; That is what was going on – Christ (the Chief cornerstone) was being chiseled away...**

Chapters: **6** Verses: **149** Words: \_\_\_\_\_ (Prov 30:5-6; Psalm 12:6-7, see also John 5:39-47...copies)

Author: \_\_\_\_\_ (Galatians 1:1, 5:2, 6:11) Note: **Some tradition says written from Rome**

Time of Writing: **58-64** AD (references vary)

Theme: **CHRIST IS OUR LIBERTY – we are free from the curse of the law! ("liberty" = 11 times)**

**Keynote concerning Galatians:**

Galatians is the second greatest book in the Bible concerning the doctrine of \_\_\_\_\_, the first, of course, being Romans. Romans and Galatians are two books that go perfectly together hand-in-hand. Where Romans proves salvation is by grace through faith, Galatians proves that we are \_\_\_\_\_ by grace through faith. Galatians is the counterpart to the book of Romans.

- **Romans** is a doctrinal book about Christ's righteousness and our salvation. It explains the gospel.
- **Galatians** is a book that comes against false doctrine and against a false gospel message.

**Three Basic Applications:**

**HISTORICAL** Paul writes to the churches of Galatia concerning the \_\_\_\_\_ gospel of legalism and straightens them out with the true gospel of Jesus Christ.

**DOCTRINAL** Just as we are saved by grace through faith, we are also kept by that very same grace. Like the Pergamos period of church history ("*much marriage*" – 300-500 AD when the church was married to the world), still today the enemy attempts to marry **FAITH** to \_\_\_\_\_; the **FLESH** to the \_\_\_\_\_.

**DEVOTIONAL** Galatians answers the \_\_\_\_\_ doctrines of false religious systems (see study of Genesis 11 – there are only 2 religions in the world). Our salvation is based on Jesus Christ **ALONE!!!** He is our power, our position, and our purpose in life.

There is a constant battle within us – for our \_\_\_\_\_! Our fruit reveals what is winning – flesh (*and the bondage it brings*) or Spirit (*and the freedom it brings*). May we yield to God's Spirit always!

**\*\* Action for NEXT WEEK ... Read Galatians 1 \*\***