

# A Geek, a Cop, and a Thrill-Seeker Walk into a Church...

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Galatians 1: 6-12

<sup>6</sup> God, by his grace through Christ, called you to become his people. So I am amazed that you are turning away so quickly and believing something different than the Good News. <sup>7</sup> Really, there is no other Good News. But some people are confusing you; they want to change the Good News of Christ. <sup>8</sup> We preached to you the Good News. So if we ourselves, or even an angel from heaven, should preach to you something different, we should be judged guilty! <sup>9</sup> I said this before, and now I say it again: You have already accepted the Good News. If anyone is preaching something different to you, let that person be judged guilty!

<sup>10</sup> Do you think I am trying to make people accept me? No, God is the One I am trying to please. Am I trying to please people? If I still wanted to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ.

<sup>11</sup> Brothers and sisters, I want you to know that the Good News I preached to you was not made up by human beings. <sup>12</sup> I did not get it from humans, nor did anyone teach it to me, but Jesus Christ showed it to me. *Galatians 1:6-12 (NCV)*

## The Religiously Confused of Our Day:

### 1. Heady Knowsis. (The Religious Geek)

*We know that we all possess knowledge. Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. 1 Corinthians 8: 1 (NIV)*

### 2. Doey Right. (The Religious Cop)

*Hypocrite! First get rid of the log in your own eye; then you will see well enough to deal with the speck in your friend's eye. Matthew 7:5 (NLT)*

### 3. Chilibumpus. (The Religious Thrill Seeker)

*But don't rejoice because evil spirits obey you; rejoice because your names are registered in heaven." Luke 10:20 (NLT)*

## Losing My Religion:

### 1. Remember your First Love.

*Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken your first love. Rev 3: 4 (NIV)*

### 2. Enjoy the Diversity of Faith without becoming envious.

<sup>4</sup> There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. <sup>5</sup> There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. <sup>6</sup> God

*works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us. I Corinthians 12:4–6 (NLT)*

**3. Make knowing Jesus the ultimate Goal.**

<sup>8</sup> *What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ... **Philippians 3:8 (NIV)***

**One Last Question:**

**Who do you need to shake off, the Geek, Cop, or Thrill-Seeker to focus more on Christ?**