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Galatians Chapter 1—Paul's Authority

I. Introduction (1:1-5)

A. Person writing—Stated first

1. Authority stated—"Apostle"
 - a) Under charge of God
2. Includes other _____
 - a) Paul did not travel alone!

B. Typical benediction

1. "Grace" and "peace"
2. Christ-Centered
3. God honoring

II. First Exhortation: False Gospels (6-10)

A. Warnings against _____

1. False teachers
2. Untrue _____

B. Curse those who stray in doctrine

1. Paul uses hyperbole
 - a) "Even an angel"
2. Purpose
 - a) Who do we work for?
 - (1) Mankind
 - (2) God

Terms:

—*Apostle*: Sent One

—*Benediction*: Blessing

—*Doctrine*: Set of beliefs

—*Hypostatic Union*: The doctrine stating that the two natures of Jesus, the flesh and the deity, exist concurrently and can never be separated.

III. Paul's Testimony (11-24)

A. The beginning with Christ

1. Jesus _____ Himself to Paul [Acts 9:1-19]

B. The path to religion

1. A Jew among Jews
2. Persecutor of the _____
3. Violent opposer of the Christian Way

C. God called Saul/Paul

1. Revealed Christ to him

Apostle: "Sent one"

These men were uniquely and audibly sent by Jesus Christ to carry out ministry

2. Paul did not begin _____
3. He went away to Arabia
 - a) Why?
 - (1) To learn (?)
 - (2) To meditate (?)
 - (3) To reconcile old vs. new (?)
- D. Returns to Damascus/Visits Peter
 1. 3 _____ in Damascus
 - a) Some in Arabia; we do not know exactly how long
 2. 15 _____ with Peter
 - a) More growth/learning
- E. THEN he began to travel
 1. His testimony wasn't well received at first
 - a) Can you blame them?
- F. Some contrary thoughts
 1. Some scholars say:
 - a) Paul got the gospel from _____ established apostles such as Peter
 - b) Then arrived at faith
 - c) Then was used in conjunction with the other Apostles for their own benefit and by their own will
 - (1) This is why Paul gives a detailed order of events and stresses that he did not learn it from mankind or receive it from others.
 2. "Flesh and Blood" in v. 16
 - a) This is a symbol that represents the whole of something. Paul stresses that this revelation of Jesus, the gospel, and the unity between the Old Covenant and New Covenant in Christ did not come from others in this world
 - (1) This is NOT _____ the Hypostatic Union of Christ!
 3. Eventually the people
 - a) Praise God
 - b) Forgive Paul
 - c) Recognize what the Lord is doing