

WELCOME TO THE FATHER'S VOICE SEMINAR SESSION 2

INTRODUCTION

- we are here for YOU to build the body of Christ
- therefore very IMPORTANT to BRING BIBLES!!
- WRITE, make notes as you will come to new understanding of things!!
- PLEASE make the decision NOW to complete all the sessions

What to expect in this session?

- Paul is teaching us something about Christ in me
- there are more to this statement that needs further study

What to expect from the next sessions

- to understand that there is much more to life than just to become born again
- that "Christ IN me" is a huge revelation indeed
- that the principle and truth of Christ in me needs much more study and needs to be fully understood

DECLARATIONS – please repeat out loud

- > I am ready to receive
- my heart is open to receive the Word of God
- my spiritual eyes are open
- my spiritual ears are open
- ➤ I now open my soul to receive the Word of God in Spirit and Truth
- > my spirit receive, my spirit receive



SESSION 2

During **Session 1** we saw that Paul was astonished by the "bad spiritual condition" the churches of Galatia found themselves in due to misleading and perversion of the truth.

Let's continue to see what Paul discovered – to continue from **Galatians 1** and let's *read together (own Bibles);*

How could Paul have this boldness in him to say that people who preach another gospel must be banned, kicked out of church!?

NOTE: Paul's boldness came in this way:

- 1. Paul writes in **1Tim 1:11** According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was **committed to my trust.**
 - i. so now we know that this true gospel he (Paul) received from God and it has been entrusted to him
- 2. Paul continues to write in **2Tim 2:8** "Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead **according to** <u>my gospel</u>":
 - i. Paul calls it 'his' gospel

*are <u>we</u> creating this boldness inside of us to call this what we believe and preach "my gospel"??

*do you have the boldness to, when the Holy Spirit give you word in your heart, walk up to someone and deliver that word/healing in confidence??

*THIS is what happened to Paul, but <u>also to all of us</u> (Great Commission – Matt 28)!



AGAIN Paul is showing them that;

- a. he received a gospel from God, it was ENTRUSTED to him
- b. and refers to it as "according to MY gospel"
- c. So when Paul refers to "my gospel" he preaches the fact that Jesus, (1) is a seed of David, and (2) He has been raised from the dead (v8)
- d. Paul explains: Now **THIS** is the gospel I teach.
- Paul thought like this; if they believe these things (his gospel), then they should ALSO believe the other part(s) of the gospel I bring you.
- Why? It comes from the same source = God

See all of this in the context of what Paul was about to do;

Paul was preparing these churches to see the biggest revelation ever, but he needed them to trust him, and also to see it with the eyes of their understanding (spiritual). This revelation has totally transformed Christianity as a whole.

The knowledge he was bringing them could not be kept and worked through only in their heads/minds (flesh), but they needed to work it in their hearts (spirit), where they can understand the Word and then BECOME IT!

Paul continues to teach and said that;

- he only knows of ONE gospel
- and **THIS** gospel is the one he preaches

In (v7) Paul warns that already there are those who "pervert/distort" the gospel.

Others bringing a gospel <u>different</u> to his, would **pervert the gospel** of Christ (it would be half-truths).

Greek for 'pervert' is "meta" = modified so that it is less intimate



(v15, v16) – here something remarkable happens; **GOD Himself** calls upon Paul and gave him a **REVELATION** = **CHRIST IN HIM!!**

Paul testifies to this in (v16); [AMP] - To reveal (unveil, disclose) His Son within me

**NOTE: We need to pause here for a moment. "Christ in me" – what do you see / think does this exactly mean?? How can He be IN you? Is He maybe just 'with' you? But if He is in heaven, can He be IN me?

1.1 Paul continues to say that, after he received this revelation, he did not have the courage (or maybe the full understanding or maybe boldness) to share this with anyone! He did not even go to Jerusalem where he could 'springboard' this revelation to Peter. In fact, he wandered to Arabia and thereafter back to Damascus. For THREE YEARS!!

<u>After</u> 3 years Paul persuaded himself (received enough knowledge in his heart of what happened, understanding the revelation that came to him better) to go to Jerusalem to see Peter - and only him (somewhere during their discussions James joined them) – and there they sat for FIFTEEN DAYS!

<u>Nobody</u> else joined them – just them.

Paul finds it 'difficult' to explain this revelation to them – he mentioned in v20; Paul shows his 'seriousness'/ how strongly he was moved by this revelation;

[AMP] "Now [note carefully what I am telling you, for it is the truth], I write this as if I were standing before the bar of God; I do not lie".

It also seems like Peter eventually told him that, between the two of them, they should stick to their **earlier 'agreement'** which is: Peter will be responsible to the Jews (stuck in the Law), and Paul to the Gentiles (non-believers).

It also seems like this revelation was such a huge and intense topic. Peter said; "you seem so certain about this, go and preach it amongst the Gentiles"



This Paul did and in such confidence and boldness that it is written; "They glorified God IN him" (v24).

*Meditate on this statement of Christ IN you!! It CANNOT be that 'simple'

*We want to reach a goal – the question being – ARE YOU <u>SURE</u> YOU KNOW WHAT <u>CHRIST IN YOU MEAN???</u>

*The lesson for tonight might seem short, and maybe it sounds very 'simple' or possibly insignificant, but allow your spirit to grab hold of this truth as it will change your whole life!!

The moment this truth will become part of you -miracles will be part of your life as you will start to operate with the <u>faith of Christ!</u>

Let's summarize what we've learned in Session 2

- 1. Can you see how Paul must have 'struggled' to first understand, and then secondly to convey this revelation?
- 2. Have you learnt something new about this discuss.
- 3. What is the meaning of a "perverted gospel" (meta) as explained in Galatians 1:7?
- 4. How many years did Paul walk with this revelation before he could speak to someone?
- 5. How many days did he sit with Peter about this?
- 6. How will you explain to someone that Christ is IN you and what it means? (name a few points)



IN SUMMARY:

- We came here as your guests to assist and help YOU
- We DO NOT want to start any new or other movement
- We live our passion so that all can know Christ better
- We are focussing on the body of Christ, to equip the saints and to bring UNITY

