

What is Your Persuasion?

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The Book of Galatians / Galatians 5:7–15

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You were running well; who hindered you from obeying the truth? This persuasion *did* not *come* from Him who calls you. A little leaven leavens the whole lump *of dough*. I have confidence in you in the Lord that you will adopt no other view; but the one who is disturbing you will bear his judgment, whoever he is. But I, brethren, if I still preach circumcision, why am I still persecuted? Then the stumbling block of the cross has been abolished. I wish that those who are troubling you would even mutilate themselves. For you were called to freedom, brethren; only *do* not *turn* your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the *statement*, "You shall love Your Neighbor as yourself." But if you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Hindered - ἐγκόπτω (egkoptō): vb.; ≡ Str 1465; TDNT 3.855—1. LN 13.147 prevent, hinder, impede progress (Ro 15:22; Gal 5:7; 1Th 2:18; 1Pe 3:7+); 2. LN 25.185 irritate, offend, trouble (Ac 24:4+)

Persuasion -πεισμονή (peismonē), ῆς (ēs), ἡ (hē): n.fem.; \equiv Str 3988; TDNT 6.9—LN 33.303 that which persuades, persuasion (<u>Gal 5:8</u>+)

Disturbing - ταράσσω (tarassō): vb.; \equiv Str 5015—1. LN 16.3 stir up (<u>Jn 5:7</u>+; <u>Jn 5:4</u> v.r.); 2. LN 25.244 cause great distress, trouble, disturb (<u>Mt 2:3</u>; <u>Jn 14:1</u>); 3. LN 39.44 cause a riot, throw into confusion (<u>Ac 17:8</u>+)

Mutilate - ἀποκόπτω (apokoptō): vb.; ≡ Str 609; TDNT 3.852—LN 19.18 cut down/off, body parts (Mk 9:43, 45; Jn 18:10, 26; emasculate Gal 5:12; cords or ropes Ac 27:32+)

1 Corinthians 9:24 NASB95

Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but *only* one receives the prize?

Run in such a way that you may win.

Philippians 3:14 NASB95

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

2 Timothy 4:7 NASB95

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith;

Hebrews 12:1 NASB95

Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

Romans 10:9 NASB95

that if you confess with your mouth Jesus *as* Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

2 Peter 2:10-22 NASB95

and especially those who indulge the flesh in its corrupt desires and despise authority. **Daring**, self-willed, they do not tremble when they revile angelic majesties, whereas angels who are greater in might and power do not bring a reviling judgment against them before the Lord. But these, like unreasoning animals, born as creatures of instinct to be captured and killed, reviling where they have no knowledge, will in the destruction of those creatures also be destroyed, suffering wrong as the wages of doing wrong. They count it a pleasure to revel in the daytime. They are stains and blemishes, reveling in their deceptions, as they carouse with you, having eyes full of adultery that never cease from sin, enticing unstable souls, having a heart trained in greed, accursed children; forsaking the right way, they have gone astray, having followed the way of Balaam, the son of Beor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness; but he received a rebuke for his own transgression, for a mute donkey, speaking with a voice of a man, restrained the madness of the prophet. These are springs without water and mists driven by a storm, for whom the black darkness has been reserved. For speaking out arrogant words of vanity they entice by fleshly desires, by sensuality, those who barely escape from the ones who live in error, promising them freedom while they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by what a man is overcome, by this he is enslaved. For if, after they have escaped the defilements of the world by the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and are overcome, the last state has become worse for them than the first. For it would be better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known it, to turn away from the holy commandment handed on to them. It has happened to them according to the true proverb, "A DOG RETURNS TO ITS OWN VOMIT," and, "A sow, after washing, returns to wallowing in the mire."

Genesis 17:7–10 NASB95

"I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your descendants after you. "I will give to you and to your descendants after you, the land of your sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God." God said further to Abraham, "Now as for you, you shall keep My covenant, you and your descendants after you throughout their generations. "This is My covenant, which you shall keep, between Me and you and your descendants after you: every male among you shall be circumcised.

Jeremiah 3:8 NASB95

"And I saw that for all the adulteries of faithless Israel, I had sent her away and given her a writ of divorce, yet her treacherous sister Judah did not fear; but she went and was a harlot also.

Jeremiah 3:14 NASB95

'Return, O faithless sons,' declares the LORD; 'For I am a master to you, And I will take you one from a city and two from a family, And I will bring you to Zion.'