

Oak Hill Baptist Church



Whose Favor do You Seek?

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The Book of Galatians / Galatians 1:10–24

The Source

Galatians 1:10–12 NASB95

For am I now seeking the favor of men, or of God? Or am I striving to please men? If I were still trying to please men, I would not be a bond-servant of Christ. For I would have you know, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but *I received it* through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

Please - ἀρέσκω (areskō): vb.; ≡ Str 700; TDNT 1.455—LN 25.90 please, accommodate ([Mt 14:6](#); [Mk 6:22](#); [Ac 6:5](#); [Ro 15:1](#); [1Co 7:32](#); [10:33](#); [Gal 1:10](#); [1Th 2:4](#); [4:1](#); [2Ti 2:4](#))

Bond-Servant - δοῦλος (doulos), ου (ou), ό (ho): n.masc.; ≡ DBLHebr 6269; Str 1401 & 1400; TDNT 2.261—LN 87.76 slave, servant ([Mt 8:9](#); [Mk 10:44](#); [Jn 8:34](#); [15:15](#); [Ro 6:20](#); [1Co 7:21](#); [Gal 3:28](#); [Eph 6:5](#); [1Ti 6:1](#); [Philemon 16](#)) *When Paul speaks of himself as a slave of Jesus Christ or of God in [Ro 1:1](#), [Ga 1:10](#), and [Tt 1:1](#), the term δοῦλος focuses attention primarily upon his belonging to Christ or to God.*

Gospel - εὐαγγέλιον (euangelion), ου (ou), τό (to): n.neu.; ≡ DBLHebr 1415; Str 2098; TDNT 2.721—LN 33.217 the good news, gospel ([Mt 4:23](#); [Mk 1:1](#); [Ac 15:7](#); [20:24](#); [Ro 1:16](#);

[2:16](#); [10:16](#); [1Co 15:1](#); [2Co 4:3](#); [Gal 1:6](#); [Eph 1:13](#); [3:6](#); [6:19](#); [Php 1:27](#); [1Th 1:5](#); [1Ti 1:11](#); [2Ti 2:8](#); [Rev 14:6](#); [Mk 16:15](#) v.r.)

Revelation - ἀποκάλυψις (apokalypsis), εως (eōs), ἡ (hē): n.fem.; ≡ Str 602; TDNT 3.563—LN 28.38 revelation, what is revealed, a disclosure ([Lk 2:32](#); [Ro 16:25](#); [1Co 1:7](#); [14:6](#); [2Co 12:1](#); [Gal 1:12](#); [Eph 1:17](#); [2Th 1:7](#); [1Pe 1:7](#); [Rev 1:1](#))

1 Corinthians 3:4–5 NASB95

For when one says, “I am of Paul,” and another, “I am of Apollos,” are you not *mere* men? What then is Apollos? And what is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, even as the Lord gave *opportunity* to each one.

My Pedigree

Galatians 1:13–17 NASB95

For you have heard of my former manner of life in Judaism, how I used to persecute the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it; and I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries among my countrymen, being more extremely zealous for my ancestral traditions. But when God, who had set me apart *even* from my mother’s womb and called me through His grace, was pleased to reveal His Son in me so that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went away to Arabia, and returned once more to Damascus.

Being Acquainted

Galatians 1:18–24 NASB95

Then three years later I went up to Jerusalem to become acquainted with Cephas, and stayed with him fifteen days. But I did not see any other of the apostles except James, the Lord's brother. (Now in what I am writing to you, I assure you before God that I am not lying.) Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia. I was *still* unknown by sight to the churches of Judea which were in Christ; but only, they kept hearing, "He who once persecuted us is now preaching the faith which he once tried to destroy." And they were glorifying God because of me.

Acquainted - ιστορέω (historeō): vb.; ≡ Str 2477; TDNT 3.391—LN 34.52 visit and get information, get acquainted with ([Gal 1:18+](#); [Ac 17:23](#))