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Message Series
"Galatians: The Gospel of Grace"

"The Transformative Gospel"

Galatians 1:11-24

¹¹ For I would have you know, brothers, that the gospel that was preached by me is not man's gospel. ¹² For I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. ¹³ For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it. ¹⁴ And I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. ¹⁵ But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by his grace, ¹⁶ was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone; ¹⁷ nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. ¹⁸ Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and remained with him fifteen days. ¹⁹ But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother. ²⁰ (In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie!) ²¹ Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia. ²² And I was still unknown in person to the churches of Judea that are in Christ. ²³ They only were hearing it said, "He who used to persecute us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy." ²⁴ And they glorified God because of me.

Observations on the gospel and "conversion"

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The Truth about Transformation

A life transformed by the gospel...

1. ..._____.

"...is not something man made up." (v. 11, NIV)

"...but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ." (v. 12)

Question:

2. ..._____.

"For you have heard of my former life..." (v. 13)

Philippians 3:3-11

"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." (Phil. 3:8)

Question:

3. ..._____.

"...but I went away into Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem..." (vs. 17-18)

Question:

4. ..._____.

"And they glorified God because of me." (v. 24)

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