

# GALATIANS

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# Questions Answered

- Who wrote it? Paul
- Who was it written to? Galatian believers
- Where was it written from? Syrian Antioch
- When was it written? A.D. 49
- Why was it written? Counteract the Judaizers teaching sanctification by works



# 3 Phases of Salvation



- **Justification:** freedom from sin's penalty
- **Sanctification:** freedom from sin's power
- **Glorification:** freedom from sin's presence

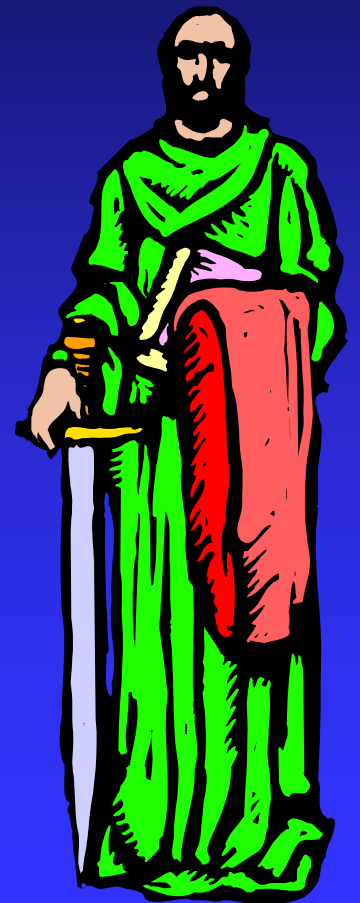
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- What is inside? Autobiography, doctrine, application
- What is it about? Sanctification attained the same way as justification
- How does the book apply to daily life? How to be holy

# Introduction (Gal 1:1-10)

- Greeting (Gal 1:1-2)
- Gospel (Gal 1:3-5)
- Denunciation (Gal 1:6-10)



# Why Was It Written? Occasion

- Ad hominem attack against Paul

- ◆ Acts 1:21-22

- ◆ Apostleship (1 Cor 15:8-9)



# Paul Defends His Apostleship (Gal 1:11—2:21)

- Independence (Gal 1:11-24)
- Interdependence (Gal 2:1-10)
- Rebuke of a lead apostle (Gal 2:11-21)



# Paul's Independence (Gal 1:11-24)

- Thesis (Gal 1:11-12)
- Before conversion (Gal 1:13-14)
- Conversion (Gal 1:15-16a)
- After conversion (Gal 1:16b-24)





# Thesis (Gal 1:11-12)

- Revealed directly from Christ (11)
- Not revealed through traditional educational methods (12)



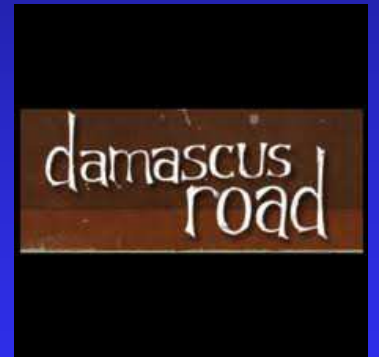
# Before Conversion (Gal 1:13-14)

- Advancement in Judaism (14a)
- Zeal for religious traditions (14b)
- Persecution of the early church (13)



# Conversion (Gal 1:15-16a)

- God set him apart from conception (15a)
- God called him (15b)
- God revealed Himself to him (16)



## After Conversion (Gal 1:16b-24)

- Paul did not confer with anyone (16b)
- Paul did not go to Jerusalem (17)
- Paul's minimal contact with the apostles (18-19)



# After Conversion (Gal 1:16b-24)

- Paul's testimony (20)



- Paul's agreement and limited contact with the Judean churches (21-23)

# Paul's Independence (Gal 1:11-24)

- Thesis: divine origin of Paul's Gospel (11-12)
- Before conversion: Paul going the opposite direction (13-14)
- Conversion: God as the sole actor (15-16a)
- After conversion: Consistent message despite minimal contact with other apostles (16b-24)