

Galatians 1:8-12

8-9. But even if WE, or an **ANGEL from HEAVEN, preach any OTHER gospel** to you than what we have preached to you, **let him be accursed**. As we have said before, so now I say again, **if ANYONE preaches ANY OTHER gospel to you** than what you have received, **let him be ACCURSED**.

- **Ephesians 4:14-15** "That we should no longer be _____, tossed to and fro and carried about with every _____ of _____, by the _____ of _____, in the _____ by which they lie in wait to _____, but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into _____ who is the head - _____."
- **I Corinthians 16:22** "If anyone does not _____ the Lord _____, let him be _____. O Lord, come!"
- **Romans 16:17-18** "Now I urge you, brethren, note (watch out for) those who cause _____ and _____, contrary to (against) the _____ which you _____, and _____ them. For those who are such do _____ serve our Lord _____, but their own belly (fleshly appetites and desires), and by smooth _____ and flattering speech _____ the hearts of the simple."

Definition: "EVERY WIND OF DOCTRINE" - Doctrine means "teaching" - we are NOT to be falling for every new kind of teaching or latest "spiritual fad". Cults, "false gospels" and false teachers are EVERYWHERE!! Many of them SOUND Christian, or use the name of Jesus, but **they are a mixture of truth and LIES!** Satan is the FATHER OF LIES and a great counterfeiter. Many true Christians get tricked or sucked into false cults because **they DO NOT know what God's word really says!!**

- **John 8:44** "You are of your father, the _____, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does _____ stand in the _____, because there is _____ in him. When he speaks a _____, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a _____, and the father of _____."
- **Colossians 2:8-10** "Beware lest anyone cheat you through _____ and empty _____, according to the tradition of _____, according to the basic _____ of the _____, and _____ according to Christ. For in Him (Christ) dwells all the fullness of the Godhead in bodily form; and you are _____ in _____, who is the _____ of all principality and power."
- **II Timothy 3:13** "But _____ men and _____ will grow worse and worse, _____ and being deceived."
- **I Timothy 4:1** "Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times [before Christ returns], some will depart from the _____, giving heed to _____ spirits and doctrines of _____."

Definition: "If an ANGEL from HEAVEN preach any OTHER gospel" - God never sends angels to preach His gospel, He sends human beings. However, Paul is using this as an expression, meaning that if even the most unlikely or spectacular kind of messenger were to come to you, **IF they are preaching a DIFFERENT message than WHAT PAUL HAS BEEN PREACHING, they are "cursed" and not from God.** Of all the false religions and cults today, the one with the most similarity to

these warnings from Paul is the Mormon religion, or "Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints" as they call themselves. Their founder, **Joseph Smith, supposedly was met by an ANGEL who told him that all the other churches were wrong, and gave him the Book of Mormon, which he said was the only true religion.** Today, in their advertisements and propaganda, the colossal arrogance of the Mormons is seen in their slogan, "The Book of Mormon, **Another Gospel of Jesus Christ!** That is **EXACTLY what Paul is WARNING US about in these Scriptures!** There IS NO OTHER GOSPEL, but there are some who claim to be "another gospel" or the "true Christianity". Especially, the reason for **the WARNING here about "ANGELS" and not accepting any so-called different "gospel" messages from what APPEARS to be an angel** is because the Bible tells us that **SATAN can DISGUISE himself** and appear as a glorious "angel of light" and **fool and deceive** many people.

- **II Corinthians 11:14** "And no wonder! For _____ himself _____ himself into an _____ of _____."
- **Acts 10:3-6** "About the ninth hour of the day he saw clearly in a vision an _____ of _____ coming in and saying to him, 'Cornelius!' And when he observed him, he was afraid and said, 'What is it, lord?' So he said to him, 'Your _____ and your alms have come up for a _____ before _____. Now send men to Joppa, and send for Simon whose surname is _____. He is lodging with Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the sea. _____ will _____ you what you must do.'"
- **Acts 10:22** "And they said, 'Cornelius the centurion, a just man, one who fears God and has a good reputation among all the nation of the Jews, was divinely _____ by a holy _____ to summon you to his house and to hear _____ from _____.'"

Definition: "He will TELL you WHAT you must DO" - You see, even though an angel from God has come to answer Cornelius' prayers, **the ANGEL does NOT preach the gospel to Cornelius** or his family. The angel tells Cornelius **to SEND for the Apostle Peter, and PETER will PREACH to him about Jesus and "TELL him WHAT he must DO"** in order to be saved. It is not in the angels' "job description" to preach the gospel. The Bible tells us that **angels are sent to us for protection** and guidance in certain physical situations. As for what Peter preached to Cornelius and his friends and family, see Acts 10:34-43. Peter preached the same gospel as the Apostle Paul, and "told them what they must do" and that **wasto believe on Jesus Christ for the remission of their sins.**

- **Acts 10:36 & 43** (Verse 36) "The _____ which God sent to the children of Israel, _____ peace through _____ - He is Lord of all -" (Verse 43) "To Him all the prophets witness that, through His _____, whoever _____ in _____ will receive remission of sins."
- **Acts 16:30-31** "And he brought them out and said, 'Sirs, _____ must I _____ to be _____?' So they said, ' _____ on the Lord _____ Christ, and you will be _____, you and your household.'"
- **Hebrews 1:13-14** "But to which of the _____ has He ever said, 'Sit at My right hand, till you make your enemies Your footstool'? Are they not all ministering _____, sent forth to minister for (render service on behalf of) _____ who will inherit _____?"
- **Acts 12:7-11** "Now behold, an _____ of the Lord stood by him, and a light shone in the _____; and he struck Peter on the side and raised him up, saying, 'Arise quickly!' And his _____ fell off his hands." (Verse 11) "And when Peter had come to himself, he said, 'Now I know for certain that the _____ has _____ His _____, and has delivered me from the hand of Herod.....'"

- **Acts 5:18-20** "And laid hands on the _____ and put them in the common _____. But at night an _____ of the _____ opened the prison _____, and brought them out and said, '_____, stand in the _____ and _____ to the people all the _____ of this Life.'"
- **Psalms 91:9-12** "Because you have made the _____, who is my refuge, even the Most High, your habitation (you put your trust in Him), no _____ shall befall you, nor shall any plague (calamity) come near your dwelling; for He shall give His _____ charge over you, to keep you in all your ways. They shall bear you up in their _____, lest you dash your foot against a stone."

Definition: "He shall GIVE His ANGELS CHARGE over YOU" - Remember, Satan quoted this verse to Jesus when he tempted Him in the wilderness (Matthew 4:5-7). That doesn't mean that this verse is not true, **because it IS true**. It just means we should remember what Jesus said back to Satan, and that was that **we shouldn't "put the Lord to the test" by getting ourselves in dangerous or foolish positions, and then expecting God to deliver and protect us**. We CAN have faith that the Lord will protect us in dangerous circumstances, as long as we didn't put ourselves there on purpose for some foolish reason.

Definition: "Let him be ACCURSED" - This is strong language! The Greek word is "anathema", and it means **someone or some thing that God has cursed**. For God to say that someone is cursed or accursed, it means they are **"abominable, detestable, evil, wicked, damnable" and worthy to be excommunicated from the church and from His presence**. Those who are preaching some other kind of "new improved gospel" or false religion, and leading people away from God, will have to answer for it at the Judgment Seat of God, and they will be thrown into the lake of fire for all eternity. In the Old Testament, God also talks about "accursed things" which were usually items that had been used in worship of heathen idols, and **they had demons attached to them. God did not want His people bringing DEMONIC THINGS into their camp or cities**. This applies to Christians today, as **we should not keep items as "souvenirs" if they have been used in idol worship or are themselves idols**.

- **I Corinthians 10:19-21** "What am I saying then? That an _____ is anything, or what is offered to _____ is anything? But I say that the _____ which the Gentiles _____ they sacrifice to _____ and _____ to _____, and I do not want you to have fellowship with _____."
- **Deuteronomy 21:22-23** "If a man has committed a _____ deserving of _____, and he is put to death, and you _____ him on a _____, his body shall not remain _____ on the tree, but you shall surely _____ him that day, so that you do not defile the land which the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance; for he who is _____ is _____ of God."
- **Galatians 3:13** "Christ has redeemed us from the _____ of the law, having become a _____ for _____ (for it is written, '_____ is everyone who _____ on a _____.')"
- **Joshua 6:18** "And you, by all means abstain (stay away) from the _____ things, lest you become _____ when you take of the _____ things, and make the camp of Israel a _____, and trouble it."
- **Joshua 7:13** "Get up, sanctify the people and say, 'Sanctify yourselves for tomorrow, because thus says the Lord God of Israel, "There is an _____ thing in your midst, O Israel; you _____ stand before your _____ until you take away the _____ thing from among you.'"

10-12. For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I would not be a servant of Christ. **But I make known to you, 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 it came through the REVELATION of Jesus Christ.

- **I Thessalonians 1:5** "For our _____ did _____ come to you in _____ only, but also in _____, and in the _____ and in much assurance, as you know what kind of men we were among you for your sake."
- **I Thessalonians 2:3-8** "For our exhortation (preaching) did _____ come by deceit (trickery) or uncleanness, nor was it in guile (lying, falsehood). But as _____ have been _____ by _____ to be entrusted with the _____, even so we speak, _____ as _____, but God who tests out hearts. For neither at any time did we use flattering words, as you know, nor a cloak for covetousness - God is witness. Nor did we seek glory from _____, either from you or from others, when we might have made demands as _____ of Christ. But we were gentle among you, just as a nursing mother cherishes her own children. So, affectionately longing for you, we were well pleased to impart to you not only the _____ of _____, but also our own lives, because you had become dear to us."
- **I Corinthians 11:23** "For I _____ from the _____ that which I also _____ to _____: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread....."
- **Romans 16:25** "Now to Him who is able to establish you _____ to my _____ and the _____ of _____, according to the _____ of the mystery which was kept secret since the world began....."

Definition: "The GOSPEL which was PREACHED BY ME" - We have already seen how Paul claims that the gospel which he preached was from God and not from man, but what exactly is the gospel message which Paul preached? **Can we know EXACTLY what that GOSPEL is? Yes, Paul gives us "the gospel in a nutshell" in I Corinthians 15:1-4,** and he gives us the mechanics of **receiving the gospel message for salvation by faith** in Romans 10:8-12.

- **I Corinthians 15:1-4** "Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the _____ which I _____ to you, which also you _____ and in which you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that _____ which I _____ to you - unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also _____: that Christ _____ for our _____ according to the Scriptures, and that He was _____, and that He _____ again the third day according to the _____."
- **Romans 10:8-10** "But what does it say? 'The _____ is near you, even in your mouth and in your heart' (that is, the _____ of _____ which we _____): that if you _____ with your _____ the Lord _____ and _____ in your _____ that God has _____ Him from the dead, _____ will be _____. For with the heart one _____ to righteousness, and with the mouth _____ is made to salvation."