

## **Bible Study: Galatians 1:8 — Another Gospel Is Accursed**

**Galatians 1:8 (KJV):**

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### **1. Context: Paul’s Defense of the True Gospel**

In Galatians 1, Paul opens with astonishment that the Galatians had so quickly removed themselves from the gospel of grace to another gospel (Gal. 1:6). But then he clarifies: it’s not truly another — it is a perversion. He warns that only one gospel is valid in this dispensation, and if anyone — even an angel — preaches anything different, they are accursed.

This is not a warning about losing rewards or getting doctrine wrong. This is about damnation. Paul is not merely defending his apostleship — he is defending the only saving message for today.

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### **2. What Is “That Which We Have Preached Unto You”?**

Paul is referring to the gospel he received directly from the risen Christ:

**1 Corinthians 15:1–4 (KJV):**

**“...how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.”**

This is Paul’s gospel — the gospel of the grace of God (Acts 20:24), which he calls “my gospel” (Rom. 2:16, 2 Tim. 2:8). It was not taught by Peter, James, or John. It was a new message, revealed by Jesus Christ from heaven, not by men (Gal. 1:11–12).

It is not the gospel of the kingdom preached by the twelve (Matt. 10:5–7, Acts 2:38), which was for Israel.

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### **3. What Is “Another Gospel”?**

**“Another gospel” is any message that adds, subtracts, or changes the gospel of grace. It can look religious, sound biblical, and even mention Jesus — but if it’s not Paul’s gospel, it’s a false gospel.**

**Examples include:**

- **Baptism for salvation (Acts 2:38)**
- **Repenting of sins to be saved**
- **Keeping the law or the Sabbath**
- **Making Jesus “Lord of your life”**
- **Mixing Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John with Paul’s gospel**
- **Saying we must “endure to the end” to be saved**
- **Teaching Israel’s gospel of the kingdom today**

**All of these are different gospels because they do not rest solely on the finished work of Christ as revealed to Paul. They add law, works, or prophecy — and Paul says that’s a damning lie.**

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### **4. What Does “Accursed” Mean?**

**To be accursed means to be condemned, under God’s curse, and outside the blessing of grace. Paul isn’t talking about loss of fellowship or being in error. He’s saying: this person is damned.**

**He repeats it twice (Gal. 1:8–9), not for style, but to stress its severity.**

**God is not tolerant of false gospels — even if they come from sincere men, ancient tradition, or heavenly visions.**

**2 Corinthians 11:13–15 (KJV):**

**“For such are false apostles... transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ... Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.”**

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### **5. Another Jesus Means Another Salvation Message**

**2 Corinthians 11:4 (KJV):**

**“For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus... or another gospel... ye might well bear with him.”**

**A “different Jesus” is one who is separated from Paul’s mystery gospel. That means:**

- **The Jesus who only preached to Israel (Matt. 15:24)**
- **The Jesus who commanded baptism, law, and repentance of sins**
- **The Jesus who offered the kingdom to Israel, not grace to Gentiles**

**These are not false depictions of Jesus in their time and context — but they are false when preached today. Why? Because preaching that Jesus is preaching a different gospel. It’s tied to a different program (Israel’s kingdom), not the mystery revealed to Paul (Eph. 3:1–9).**

**So when someone preaches a “Jesus” who demands baptism, or turning from sin, or keeping commandments — they are preaching another Jesus, and that means they are preaching another gospel.**

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## **6. NEW SECTION: Believing in the Death, Burial, and Resurrection Is Not Enough If You Add to Paul’s Gospel**

**This is where many are deceived.**

**Some say:**

**“I believe Jesus died for my sins, was buried, and rose again...  
but I also believe you must be baptized...  
but you must repent and make Him Lord...  
but you must bear fruit...  
but you must keep the Sabbath...  
but you must endure to the end.”**

**That person is not saved.**

**Why? Because they do not believe Paul’s gospel alone. They are mixing in another gospel, which is not another, but a perversion.**

**You cannot say:**

**“I believe in the cross, but...”**

**That “but” voids the cross. It adds works, conditions, law, or Israel’s kingdom gospel. And Paul says:**

**Galatians 5:4 (KJV):**

**“Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.”**

**Fallen from grace means you were never under it. You never trusted it. You mixed it. That’s unbelief — and it cannot save.**

**Summary: If someone adds anything — even one work, one law, one commandment — to the gospel of Christ revealed to Paul, they are not saved, no matter what else they say they believe.**

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## **7. Application and Warning**

**Paul’s gospel must stand alone.**

**Salvation today is:**

- **By grace alone (Rom. 11:6)**
- **Through faith alone (Eph. 2:8–9)**
- **In Christ alone (1 Cor. 15:3–4)**
- **Without works (Titus 3:5)**
- **According to the revelation of the mystery (Rom. 16:25)**

**Anyone preaching baptism, law, Israel’s gospel, tongues, signs, or repentance of sin for salvation — is preaching another gospel, and they are not saved, no matter how sincere they sound.**

**Do not be fooled. Satan’s ministers don’t wear horns — they quote Scripture.**

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## **8. Conclusion: Stand on Paul's Gospel Alone**

**1 Corinthians 15:1–2 (KJV):**

**“By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you...”**

**There is no salvation today outside of the gospel Paul preached.**

**If anyone adds to it — subtracts from it — or blends it with Israel's program — they are preaching a false gospel, they are accursed, and they are not saved.**

**Galatians 1:8 (KJV):**

**“Though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel... let him be accursed.”**

**Stand firm. Preach no other. Trust no other. Defend the gospel of grace.**