

UNCHANGING GOSPEL IN A CHANGING WORLD

Gal 1:6-12

INTRODUCTION:

- > A. We live in an age of change
 - 1. Look at the ways of travel now compared to 30 to 50 years ago. We travel to space and walk in space
 - 2. Look at ways of earning a living - ways of communication
 - 3. Look at our present standard of living compared to 50 years ago
 - 4. Some change is good - some bad
- B. Some today would change the Gospel as well
 - 1. Some think it is not sufficient for modern man
 - 2. The problem is that modern man does not want to live by the standard of God's word the Gospel of Christ
- C. Human nature has not changed
 - 1. But religionist have changed the Gospel Mk 7:7,8
 - 2. Paul called it a perverted gospel Gal 1:6,7
- D. Human needs have not changed
 - 1. Needed salvation after the fall in the garden
 - 2. Man still needs salvation today Rom 3:23; 6:23

DISCUSSION:

I. REASONS THE GOSPEL IS UNCHANGEABLE

- A. Change is forbidden Gal 1:6-9; Rom 1:16,17
- B. It is thoroughly adequate 2Tim 3:16,17
 - 1. It saved the Pentecostians Acts 2:37-41
 - 2. Saved the Corinthians 1Cor 15:1,2
 - 3. It will save every believer Mk 16:15,16
- C. Transforms the vilest of sinners into the purest
 - 1. Transformed Saul - chief of sinners 1Tim 1:15
 - 2. Changed the Corinthians 1Cor 6:9-11
 - 3. Power to save everyone Rom 1:16
- D. Sin has not and will not change Jas 1:13-15
 - 1. The form of temptation comes in may change
 - 2. Sin is still comes in one of these three areas: Lust of flesh, lust of the eyes or pride of life
- E. Gospel was once for all delivered Jude 3

II. HOW TO PREACH AN UNCHANGING GOSPEL?

- A. Preach the authority of Christ Matt 28:18-20
- B. Preach church Jesus promised and built Matt 16:18; Acts 2:47

- C. Preach the Gospel's terms of salvation
 - 1. Faith in Jesus as the Christ Jhn 8:24
 - 2. Repentance from sins Acts 2:38; Acts 17:30; Lk 13:3
 - 3. Confession of faith in Christ Matt 10:32,33; Rom 10:10
 - 4. Baptism into Christ for the remission of sins Mk 16:16; Acts 2:38; 1Pet 3:21 (Note Matt 26:28)
- D. Preach unity of the Spirit Eph 4:3
 - 1. Jesus prayed for this unity Jhn 17:20,21
 - 2. Paul begged for it 1Cor 1:10
 - 3. Plan given for it in Eph 4:1-6
- E. Preach God given work of the church Eph 4:12
- F. Preach holy living
 - 1. Be not conformed to the world Rom 12:1,2
 - 2. Deny ungodliness and worldly lust Tit 2:11,12
 - 3. Refrain tongue from evil 1Pet 3:10-12
 - 4. Keep unspotted from the world Jas 1:27

III. CURSE PRONOUNCED ON ONES CHANGING GOSPEL

- A. ANATHAMA - the disfavor of God Gal 1:6-9 anything devoted to destruction, came to mean moral worthlessness
- B. Sever ourselves from God 2Jhn 9-11

CONCLUSION:

- A. Even though we live in an age of change we must never change the Gospel of Christ
- B. Men have tried and failed. The power of the Gospel remains the same today as it was on Pentecost
- C. In view of the fact that we will be cursed by God if we change the Gospel; should we not then accept it, believe it, obey it and preach it as it is in truth the word of God 1Thess 2:13