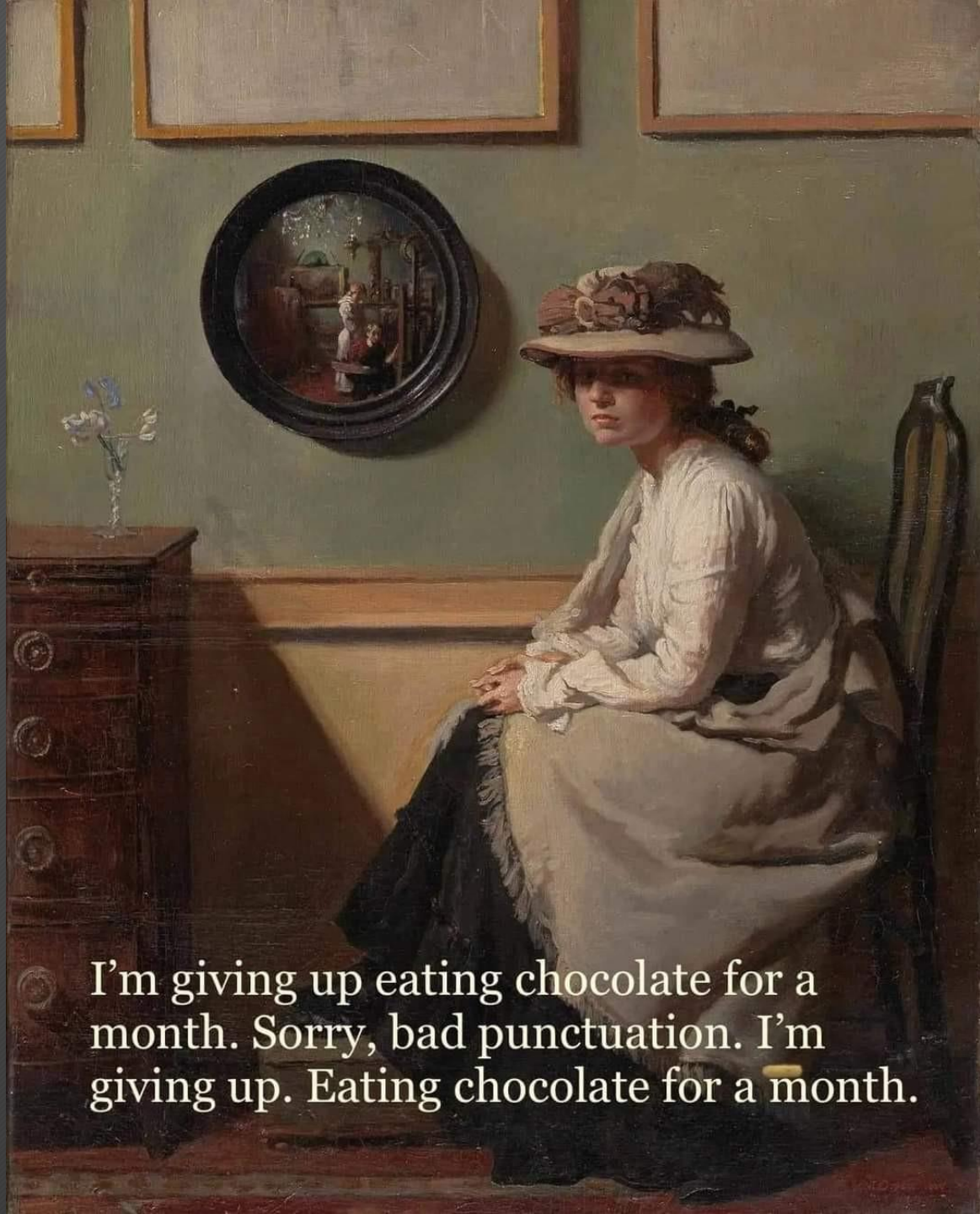


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Galatians 1:1-5, Wednesday, October 30, 2024



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Why would a clear defense of Paul's apostleship be important and why is this essential for us to understand now?

I. Paul's Place

A. Calling

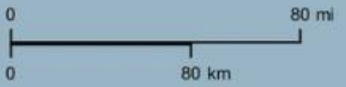
- 1. Watch Diminishing God's Prerogative in Revealing His Word by Leveling the Human Playing Field.** God speaks through chosen individuals.
- 2. Watch Diminishing God's Prerogative in Protecting His People by Replacing Fellowship with Him as Source of Unity.** Relationship with God comes from the painful work of accurately handling His Word and living inside that word.
- 3. Watch Diminishing God's Eternality by Eliminating His Progressive Revelation and Work Throughout History to Preserve that Word as He Intended.** God works inside history to preserve His word and will.

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- I. Paul's Place
- II. The Believer's Place

Paul's Mission in Cyprus, Galatia, and Pamphylia

- Orange line: Paul's route from Antioch (Syria) to Salamis
- Green line: Paul's route from Salamis to Paphos
- Red line: Paul's route from Paphos to Perga
- Teal line: Paul's route from Perga to Pisidian Antioch via the western route
- Pink line: Paul's route from Pisidian Antioch to Iconium, Lystra, and Derbe
- Purple line: Paul's route from Derbe to Pisidian Antioch
- Light orange line: Paul's route from Pisidian Antioch to Perga via the central route
- Yellow line: Paul's route from Perga to Antioch (Syria)



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“We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. . . .”

from the Nicene Creed

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- B. He is the Author of Salvation and Source of All Good for the believer.

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Now I make known to you, brethren, **the gospel which I preached to you**, which also you received, in which also you stand, **2 by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. 3 For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,**

1 Corinthians 15:1-4

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“Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, **everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued.** 2 **“Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt.** 3 “Those who have insight will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

Daniel 12:1-3

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“For this reason the Father loves Me, because I lay down My life so that I may take it again. 18 **“No one has taken it away from Me, but I lay it down on My own initiative.** I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This commandment I received from My Father.”

John 10:17-18

And **Jesus cried out** again with a loud voice, **and yielded up His spirit.**
Matthew 27:50

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In this is love, not that we loved God, **but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.** 1 John 4:10

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; 25 **whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith.** This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; 26 for the demonstration, I say, of His righteousness at the present time, **so that He would be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.**

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“As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up; 15 so that whoever believes will in Him have eternal life. **16 “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.** 17 “For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him.

John 3:14-17

For **He rescued us** from the domain of darkness, **and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son,**

Colossians 1:13

For **Christ also died for sins once for all**, the just for the unjust, **so that He might bring us to God**, having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit;

1 Peter 3:18

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There was no conflict in the Trinity “as if a loving Son had to rescue us from an angry Father.” On the contrary, the willingness of the Son was in response to the Father’s will. The Father does not love us because the Son died for us. Rather, the Son died for us because the Father loves us.”

Philip Ryken

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Thus says **the LORD, your Redeemer**, the Holy One of Israel, “I am the LORD your God, who **teaches you to profit, Who leads you in the way you should go.**

Isaiah 48:17

“The **LORD your God is in your midst**, A victorious warrior. He will exult over you with joy, He will be **quiet in His love**, He will **rejoice over you with shouts of joy.**

Zephaniah 3:17

Psalms 46:1 God is our **refuge and strength, A very present help** in trouble.

Psalms 68:20 **God is to us a God of deliverances**; And to GOD the Lord belong escapes from death.

Psalms 86:15 But You, O Lord, are a God **merciful and gracious, Slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness and truth.**

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Why do we focus on the God of wrath vs. the God of love
INSTEAD of on the wonder of a holy God who comes near and
rescues us?

- Focus on ourselves and what we can do to get to God - still want control
- Because when we can't make sense of God's attitudes or actions, we immediately focus on apologetic instead of wonder
- Seeing holiness as only judgement
- Sin alienates us from God, so we seek to fix it on our own (hide, try to offer Him something, etc.)
- Must yield our experiences logic and allow God to bring us to himself through the gospel
- Because picture of God is limited to less than God has given us to know Him
- What are we reading, studying about God under the leading of the spirit? Otherwise focus where we like i.e. love of God, wrath
- We focus where it makes sense, we are in control
- How final/satisfying is the word of God found in written scripture

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“They will no longer defile themselves with their idols, or with their detestable things, or with any of their transgressions; **but I will deliver them** from all their dwelling places in which they have sinned, **and will cleanse them. And they will be My people, and I will be their God.**

Ezekiel 37:23

How lovely on the mountains Are the feet of him who brings good news,
Who announces peace And brings **good news of happiness, Who announces salvation,** And says to Zion, “Your God reigns!”

Isaiah 52:7

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, Romans 5:1

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Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation, 19 namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation. 20 Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:18-20

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For He Himself is our peace, who made both groups into one and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall, 15 by abolishing in His flesh the enmity, which is the Law of commandments contained in ordinances, so that in Himself He might make the two into one new man, thus establishing peace, 16 and might reconcile them both in one body to God through the cross, by it having put to death the enmity. 17 AND HE CAME AND PREACHED PEACE TO YOU WHO WERE FAR AWAY, AND PEACE TO THOSE WHO WERE NEAR; 18 for through Him we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father.

Ephesians 2:14-18

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- A. The Personhood of God includes the full divinity of Christ.
- B. He is the Author of Salvation and Source of All Good for the believer.
- C. The Goal of Salvation lifts up God's power to bring about His will, bringing Him glory.

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What is this present evil age? (where does it impact you)

- Everything that points away from God
- The time NOW since Christ ascended
- Misinformation from many voices -Romans 12:2 agenda of this world away from God

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For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God did: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh,

Romans 8:3

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When you were dead in your transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made you alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our transgressions, ¹⁴ having canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

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So then, brethren, we are under obligation, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— **13 for if you are living according to the flesh, you must die; but if by the Spirit you are putting to death the deeds of the body, you will live.** 14 For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

Romans 8:12-14

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Why is praise to God so natural here? What hope should this give us? What should this focus TAKE away from us?

- He did what we were helpless to do
- He recognizes totality of what God gave for our redemption, nothing more could be given

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and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2:11

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“I do not seek [my own] active righteousness. I ought to have and perform it; but I declare that even if I did have it and perform it, I cannot trust in it or stand up before the judgment of God on the basis of it. Thus I . . . embrace only . . . the righteousness of Christ . . . which we do not perform but receive, which we do not have but accept, when God the Father grants it to us through Jesus Christ.”

Martin Luther

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“Therefore, God accepts only the forsaken, cures only the sick, gives sight only to the blind, restores life to only the dead, sanctifies only the sinners, gives wisdom only to the unwise fools. In short, He has mercy only on those who are wretched, and gives grace only to those who are not in grace. Therefore no proud saint, no wise or just person, can become God’s material, and God’s purpose cannot be fulfilled in him. He remains in his own work and makes a fictitious, pretended, false, and painted saint of himself, that is, a hypocrite.”

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I am writing these things to you, hoping to come to you before long; 15 but in case I am delayed, I write so that you will know how one ought to conduct himself in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and support of the truth. 16 **By common confession, great is the mystery of godliness: He who was revealed in the flesh, Was vindicated in the Spirit, Seen by angels, Proclaimed among the nations, Believed on in the world, Taken up in glory.** But the Spirit explicitly says that **in later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons,** 2 by means of the hypocrisy of liars seared in their own conscience as with a branding iron,

1 Timothy 3:14-4:2

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John 5:24–25