

McCoy Memorial Baptist Church

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Title: "Bad News About the Good News" (Part 1)

Key Verse: Galatians 1:1-5

**INTRODUCTION:**

1. The body of Christ in Galatia was suffering from cancer. A counterfeit "gospel" of works & merit had infiltrated their assemblies.
2. The "Judaizers" (2:14) had mounted a powerful two-pronged attack on Paul's authority and gospel.
3. The seriousness of the issue confronting the Galatian churches is evident in several ways.
4. Message title: "Bad News About the Good News". Today we'll concentrate on the "good news" (the four stages of man's salvation in verses 1-5). Next week, the "bad news" from verses 6-9.

**THE SOVEREIGN \_\_\_\_\_ OF GOD TO SAVE (vss. 4b, 5)**

1. 1 Peter 1:18-20
2. Ephesians 1:3-6
3. Romans 8:28-30
4. Revelation 13:8
5. John 6:35-40 (cp. John 17:2, 6, 9, 24)

**THE DEATH OF CHRIST FOR OUR \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 4a)**

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ's Death  
Christ's death is a great display of God's love (Rom. 5:8) & an example for us to be self-sacrificing for our friends (Jn 15:13). But if that is the only significance, there would be no saving value in it.
  - A. A \_\_\_\_\_ for sinners  
Christ suffered in our place, in our stead; He died for our sins.
  - B. A \_\_\_\_\_ in relation to sin  
Liberation 'cause of a paym't. made. Ransom payment? Christ's death.

- C. A \_\_\_\_\_ in relation to man  
We were enemies, but God took the initiative & reconciled the world to himself. The world is in a savable position. Be reconciled to God.
- D. A \_\_\_\_\_ in relation to God  
God's wrath has been satisfied & turned away 'cause of Christ's death.

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ's Death  
"He has **rescued us** from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins." - **Colossians 1:13-14**

### THE APPOINTMENT OF APOSTLES TO \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 1)

1. Apostle = a special term reserved for the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. To this select company Paul claimed to \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Why did Paul assert and defend his apostleship? Because the gospel that he preached as Christ's selected & sent rep. was at stake.

### THE GIFT OF GOD'S \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 3)

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation is peace (or, reconciliation)
  - A. Peace with \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Peace with \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Peace \_\_\_\_\_
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation is grace, God's free favor, irrespective of any human merit or works.

#### Larry Moyer - Living As a New Believer

"For me, religion always came up short. Sometimes I found it confusing & frustrating. I felt I could never be good enough for God to accept me, and I was never sure how good I had to be in order to be good enough."

Religion focuses on the regulations you must follow to be accepted by God. The Christian life focuses on your relationship with God, a relationship made possible because, thru Christ, God has accepted you! See Ephesians 2:8-9; Galatians 2:21; 5:4.