

Sermon Notes

Providence Community Church

9-2-18 Ken Carlton

Title: CHRIST SLAVE

Main Text: Galatians 1:10-17

Aim: TO EQUIP US WITH MEANS TO IDENTIFY TRUE APOSTOLIC CHRISTIANITY.

Sermon Description: Matthew Henry says of Paul: “In preaching the gospel, the apostle sought to bring persons to obedience, not of men, but of God. But Paul would not attempt to alter the doctrine of Christ, either to gain their favor, or to avoid their fury. In so important a matter, we must not fear the frowns of men, not seek their favor, by using words of Men's wisdom”. Barnes comments further: “He (Paul) derived his authority from God and not from the Sanhedrin or any earthly council. And the purpose of all this is to say that he had not received his commission to preach from man, but had received it directly from God.” In the context of challenges to his own authority as an apostle and corruption on the question: “What is the Gospel?”, Paul provides the church for all time, marks of authenticity to reinforce our discernment on matters of spiritual life and death. The diagnostic test provided in the context of our passage today provides a framework for evaluating ourselves and to identify imposters and apostasy that would otherwise derail the chief end of the church even today.

Heading:

DEFENDING HIS CREDENTIALS, PAUL PROVIDES A 3 PART CHRISTIANITY

DIAGNOSTIC...

1. SERVANT/MASTER TEST (Gal 1:10, Phil 3:4-7)

- a. Contrast
- b. Master & mission (Mat 28:18)
- c. Vs. false teaching (II Cor 4:5)

2. SOURCE AUTHORITY TEST (Gal 1:11-14)

- a. Man's gospel (I Cor 15:3-11)
- b. Divine revelation
- c. Vs. appeal to traditions (Acts 9:1-2)

3. SOVEREIGNTY TEST (Gal 1:15-17)

- a. Predestination (Rom 8:29-30)
- b. Effectual call
- c. Regeneration (Acts 8:32)

FAMILY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:
Servant/master	Master/mission	Authority test	Gospel	Sovereignty test	Next week
Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:
Gal 1:10, Phil 3:4-7	Mat 28:18-20	Gal 1:11-14	I Cor 15:3-11	Gal 1:15-17, Rom 8:29-30	Psalm 84

NEXT WEEK: *Psalm 84*