

# A Changeless Gospel for a Changing World

Gal. 1:6-9

## Introduction:

- A. The world constantly changes.
  - 1. Some things for better, some for worse.
    - a. Fashions and fads.
    - b. Occupations and Life-styles.
    - c. Politics and government.
  - 2. Some think need changing spiritual values to keep up.
- B. The things of gospel need no change - it is perfect (cf. 1 Cor. 13:10; Jas. 1:25).

## Discussion:

### I. The Gospel Is Perfect in its *Design*.

- A. Designed to be a complete spiritual guide. (2 Tim. 3:15-17)
  - 1. Apostles guided into *all* truth. (John 16:13).
  - 2. Gives *all* things that pertain to life and godliness. (2 Pet. 1:3).
- B. Designed to completely fill man's timeless spiritual needs.
  - 1. Draws him to God. (John 6:44,45).
  - 2. Saves him from Sin and condemnation. (Rom. 1:16; Mark 16:15,16).
  - 3. Guides him as a Christian. (Rom. 1:15; Tit. 2:11,12).
  - 4. Keeps him saved. (Jude 24, 25)

### II. The Gospel Is Perfect in its *Effect*.

- A. Effective in lives of first century Christians.
  - 1. Changed attitudes. (Acts 8:21).
  - 2. Changed character.
    - a. Murderers of Lord into followers. (Acts 2).
    - b. Persecutor into preacher. (Acts 9).
    - c. Moral scum into cleansed saints. (1 Cor. 6:9,10).
  - 3. Sustained them in death.
    - a. Stephen. (Acts 7).
    - b. Paul. (2 Tim. 4:6-8; cf. 1 Thess. 4:13-18).
- B. Effective in work of first century church.
  - 1. In caring gospel to world. (Col. 1:23).
  - 2. In caring for needy. (Acts 2:44,45; Acts 6; Acts 11:27-30).

### III. The Gospel Is Perfect in its *Endurance*.

- A. Law of Moses was not for all time. (Gal. 3:19).
- B. Gospel is for all time. (Jude 3).
- C. Priesthood of Christ unchangeable. (Heb. 7:24).
- D. Kingdom established in first century for all time. (Dan. 2:44; Heb. 12:22,23,28).

## Conclusion:

- A. The gospel that apostles preached is all we need to:
  - 1. Produce faith. (Rom. 10:6-8,17).
  - 2. To lead us from earth to heaven.
- B. The world may change, but gospel cannot.
  - 1. Men try to progress, only to digress. (cf. 1 Cor. 4:16; 2 John 9).
  - 2. One cannot improve on perfection.