

1. Last week I finished teaching Gal 4:17 and when time expired we had just started exegeting Gal 4:18.



2. Before we continue you may want to use the provisions of 1Jo 1:9 by silently naming sin to God as the Holy Spirit may show.

3. Let's see how Gal 4:11-17 look by way of an expanded translation.

Expanded Translation

Gal 4:11 I am greatly concerned about you for it seems my teaching about the grace of God has fallen on deaf ears.

Gal 4:12 My brothers and sisters I pray for you regularly for I really want you to be as I am, because I am also like you, and you have certainly not wronged me in any way;

Gal 4:13 formerly, when I was weak and infirm I preached the gospel to you, Gal 4:14 and my infirm condition you did not despise, nor did you in any way reject my teaching, no rather you received me as an angel of God, even as Christ Jesus.

Gal 4:15 Whatever happened to your joy and happiness? I can certainly testify to the fact that if it were possible you would have plucked out your own eyes and given them to me.

Gal 4:16 Accordingly, have I now become your enemy for telling you the truth?"

Gal 4:17 These men zealously try to control you, but not with your well-being in mind; in fact it is their purpose to separate you from me and my teachings about grace in order that your zeal will be for them alone.

4. So far we have analyzed that portion of Gal 4:18 which in the KJV has been translated "But it is good ..." noting it might better be rendered "**But it is certainly ok ...**"

5. Now for new material and the phrase "to be zealously affected."

TO BE ZEALOUSLY AFFECTED ζηλωω

1. **Zeloo** is better translated “to be ardently devoted ...”

2. **Zeloo** appears 13 times in the New Testament. Earlier we analyzed this verb in our study of verse 17 where we translated it “They zealously try to control.” (*Supra page two of Galatians’ lesson dated 3-12-2017*) Moulton in his lexicon entitled *The Analytical Greek Lexicon Revised* has written concerning the meaning of **Zeloo**. “It means:

- to have strong affection towards,
- to be ardently devoted to,
- to make a show of affection and devotion towards,
- to desire earnestly, aspiring eagerly after,
- to be fervent, to be zealous
- to be envious, spiteful.

3. Let me give you six uses of **Zeloo** listed by Moulton:

2Co 11:2 For I am **jealous** over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

2Co 11:3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

1Co 12:31 But covet **earnestly** the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.

1Co 14:1 Follow after charity, and **desire** spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may prophesy.

1Co 14:2 For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.

1Co 14:39 Wherefore, brethren, **covet** to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues.

1Co 14:40 Let all things be done decently and in order.

Rev 3:19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: **be zealous** therefore, and repent.

Rev 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Acts 7:9 And the patriarchs, moved with **envy**, sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him,

3.1 We will see how **Zeloo** can be a good thing. For example: God is said to be jealous of his name and reputation and therefore disciplines those who refuse to trust Him. (Exo 20:5; Deu 4:24; Jos 24:19; 1Ki 19:10; Exo 39:35)

ALWAYS IN A GOOD THING, ΕΝ ΚΑΛΟΣ ΠΑΝΤΟΤΕ,

1. **En Kalos Pantote** is better “always when the object of the zealotry is a good thing ...”
2. **En** is a preposition followed by the adjective **Kalos** declined as a locative singular and used as a substantive. Next follows the adverb **Pantote** modifying the adjective/noun **Kalos**.
3. **Kalos** appears more than 75 times in Scripture where it is variously translated “good, honest, better, meet” and “honest.” (*Earlier studied last week Supra page three*)
4. **Pantote** appears more than 40 times where it is translated “at all times, ever, always” or “ever more.” Let me give you several examples of how it is used elsewhere in Scripture.

Mat 26:11 For ye have the poor **always** with you; but me ye have not always.

Luk 18:1 And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought **always** to pray, and not to faint;

Luk 18:2 Saying, There was in a city a judge, which feared not God, neither regarded man:

Luk 18:3 And there was a widow in that city; and she came unto him, saying, Avenge me of mine adversary.

Luk 18:4 And he would not for a while: but afterward he said within himself, Though I fear not God, nor regard man;

Luk 18:5 Yet because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me ...

Luk 18:7 And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?

1Th 1:2 We give thanks to God **always** for you all, making mention of you in our prayers;

1Th 1:3 Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;

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