Galatians Lesson

1. Last week I taught in part Gal 5:10 and when time expired we were exegeting the Greek phrase $E_{\gamma\omega} \pi \epsilon_i \theta_\omega$ translated in the KJV "I have confidence."

2. Before continuing, I want to give you opportunity to use 1Jo 1:9 as may be necessary.

3. Here is an expanded translation of Gal 5:6-9.

Expanded Translation

Gal 5:6 For when we place our faith in Christ Jesus, there is no benefit in being circumcised or being uncircumcised. What is important is faith operating through and by means of doctrine resident in our souls. Gal 5:7 You got off to such a good start, exploding out from the blocks. What caused you to look back and then turn away from the truth? Gal 5:8 The arguments of the person who is influencing you do not come from God Who is even now calling you. Gal 5:9 Just a small amount of leaven kneaded into the loaf before baking will leaven the entire loaf.

4. Leaven is used by Paul for false doctrine. He makes it clear a little false doctrine can be destructive. In many denominations today, we see false doctrine being at first tolerated and then later accepted as "truth."

5. Paul was afraid the churches in Galatia would soon slide down the slippery slope to rampant apostacy. It was Paul's intent to stop it before it completely minimized the work of Christ. The little leaven refers to that message brought from Jerusalem.

6. Today, many Christians, nominal Christians and non-Christians believe people are saved by come combination of works and grace. This, as we have seen, is a blatant lie.

7. Now let's continue the exegesis of Gal 5:10.

KJV-New Sentence

Gal 5:10 I have confidence in you through the Lord, that ye will be none otherwise minded: but he that troubleth you shall bear his judgment, whosoever he be.

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Gal 5:10 I am confident in the Lord that you will take no other view. The one who is throwing you into confusion will pay the penalty, whoever he may be.

I have confidence $E\gamma\omega$ $\pi\epsilon\iota\theta\omega$

1. **Ego Peitho** is better "From my previous experience I have the greatest of confidence ..."

2. **Ego** is the 1st person pronoun declined as a nominative singular followed by the verb **Peitho** parsed as a 1st person singular perfect passive indicative.

3. **Peitho** appears more than 50 times where it is translated "obey, being confident, confident, have confidence" and "obedience."

4. Paul is now exercising what we call faith rest. He believes the promises of the Lord: mainly, that the Lord would work in the lives of those believers who had succumbed to the false doctrine and they would return to grace.

5. I want to again review the mechanics of the Faith-Rest technique:

5.1 Claim a promise to stabilize the mind - God works all things together for the good.

5.2 Use reverse process concentration:

- Foreknowledge: God thought about me in eternity past.
- Predestination: God had a plan for me in eternity past.
- Election: God saw my choices and chose me.
- Justification: God can now bless me because He is propitiated.
- Glorification: God is exalted when I am blessed.

5.3 Reach doctrinal conclusions:

- If God is for me who can be against me?
- God saved me when I was His enemy; how shall He not now provide for me now that I am family?

5.4 Conclusion-When you are caught up in some dreadful disaster; remember that no matter how grave the danger, as a mature believer, you are perfectly safe in the Lord's hands.

6. Paul at this point in is life is suffering resistance to his message of grace over legalism; a suffering which would continue for some 20 years. His message to Timothy at the end of his life tells a sad but wonderful story of a man walking in lock-step with his Father God.

2Ti 1:11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

2Ti 1:12 For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless, I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed and **am persuaded** that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

2Ti 1:13 Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.

7. The parsing of **Peitho** reveals important subtleties. The passive voice and perfect tense tell us Paul observed in the past with the result he now is confident the Galatians will one day return to grace and turn from the legalistic lies brought from Jerusalem.

8. Now for an analysis of the phrase "through the Lord."

THROUGH THE LORD, εισ συ εν Κυριοσ,

1. Eis Su En Kurios is better translated "that you, by means of the work of the Lord ..."

2. **Eis** is a preposition followed by the pronoun **Su** declined as an accusative singular. **En** is a preposition followed by the proper noun **Kurios**. **Kurios** is declined as an instrumental singular.

3. **Kurios** appears more than 700 times in Scripture where it is translated "Lord, Lords, Masters" or "master."

Acts 16:16 And it came to pass (*in Philippi*), as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination met us, which brought her **masters** much gain by soothsaying:

Acts 16:17 The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation.

Acts 16:18 And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour.

Acts 16:19 And when her **masters** saw that the hope of their gains was gone, they caught Paul and Silas, and drew them into the marketplace unto the rulers,

Rom 14:2 One man's faith allows him to eat everything, but another man, whose faith is weak, eats only vegetables.

Rom 14:3 The man who eats everything must not look down on him who does not, and the man who does not eat everything must not condemn the man who does, for God has accepted him.

Rom 14:4 Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To his own **master** he stands or falls. And he will stand, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

1Co 4:17 For this cause have I sent unto you Timothy, who is my beloved son, and faithful in the **Lord**, who shall bring you into remembrance of my ways which be in Christ, as I teach everywhere in every church.

1Co 4:18 Now some are puffed up, as though I would not come to you.

1Co 4:19 But I will come to you shortly, if the **Lord** will, and will know, not the speech of them which are puffed up, but the power.

1Th 4:15 For this we say unto you by the word of the **Lord**, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the **Lord** shall not prevent them which are asleep. 1Th 4:16 For the **Lord** himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 1Th 4:17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the **Lord** in the air: and so shall we ever be with the **Lord**. 1Th 4:18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

Heb 12:6 For whom the **Lord** loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

Rev 19:16 On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND **LORD** OF **LORDS**.

Rev 19:17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun, who cried in a loud voice to all the birds flying in midair, "Come, gather together for the great supper of God, Rev 19:18 so that you may eat the flesh of kings, generals, and mighty men, of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, small and great." Rev 19:19 Then I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to make war against the rider on the horse and his army.

4. Let's see how our verse looks so far by way of an expanded translation.

Expanded Translation

Gal 5:10 I have the greatest of confidence that the Lord will correct you and you will return to the truth of the gospel ...

5. Now for the phrase "that ye will be none otherwise minded."

That ye will be none otherwise minded ot 1 ouden allo $\phi\rho one\omega$

1. **Hoti Ouden Allo Phroneo** is better translated "and you will not continue to think so little of God's grace ..."

2. **Hoti** is an adverb followed by the negative adverb **Ouden** and the unusual adverb/adjective **Allo**. It is followed by the verb **Phroneo** declined as a 2nd person plural future active indicative.

3. **Allo** is somewhat unusual in that it can be used to modify a noun and thus used as an adjective or as in this case it is used to modify the verb **Phroneo** thus becoming an adverb. Let's see how **Allo** is used by Matthew:

Mat 2:12 And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country **another** way.

Mat 4:21 And going on from thence, he saw **other** two brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them.

Mat 13:4 And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up:

Mat 13:5 **Some** fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:

Mat 13:6 And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away.

Mat 13:7 And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them: Mat 13:8 But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

3.1 The Lord explains this parable in Mat 13:18-23.

Mat 13:19 When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

Mat 13:20 But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it;

Mat 13:21 Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.

Mat 13:22 He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.

Mat 13:23 But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

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