Galatians Lesson

1. Last week I exegeted Gal 5:14 and when time expired we were about to analyze Gal 5:15.

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 5:11-14.

Expanded Translation

Gal 5:11 Now my brothers and sisters in Christ, if I were still preaching that people needed to be circumcised as some believe; how is it that I am even now suffering persecution from the legalistic agitators? If, I were so teaching circumcision, which I am not, the stumbling block of the cross would be removed.

Gal 5:12 I certainly wish these agitators would go all the way and cut it all off. These agitators are all members of the circumcision party who began their opposition in Judea, sent members to Antioch Syria and continued to resist Paul for the next twenty or so years.

Gal 5:13 But you, my brothers and sisters in Christ, you were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge your sinful natures; but in contrast you must by means of Bible Doctrine resident in your souls serve one another.

Gal 5:14 For the entire Mosaic Law can be summed up in a single command "You must love your neighbor as yourself."

4. Paul will now warn the Galatians in verse fifteen.

KJV-New Sentence

Gal 5:15 But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.

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Gal 5:15 If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

but if you bite $\Delta \epsilon$ ei dakuw

1. De Ei Dakno is better "If and it is true you all keep on biting ..."

2. **De** is a particle used as an adversative followed by the 1st class conditional particle **Ei** and the verb **Dakno** parsed as a 2nd person plural present active indicative.

3. **Ei** is a first class conditional particle used to communicate that: if you continue to devour and bite one another all of you will be destroyed. The first class particle means: "if and it is true."

4. The verb **Dakno** appears only here and no other place in the New Testament. It is used by such historians of antiquity as Homer and Philo to describe the biting of a snake. Zondervan in his lexicon indicates the word means "to bite, sting, devour, to vex" or "to injure."

5. Next we have the phrase "and devour one another."

and devour one another, kai kates $\theta_{1\omega}$ allos

1. Kai Katesthio Allos is better translated "keep on devouring one another ..."

2. **Kai** is a conjunction followed by the verb **Katesthio** parsed as a 2nd person plural present active indicative and the noun/adjective **Allos** declined as an accusative plural.

3. **Katesthio** appears some six times in the New Testament where it is translated "devour, exploits" or "devoureth." Examples:

Luk 20:46 Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts; Luk 20:47 Which **devour** widows' houses, and for a shew make long prayers: the same shall receive greater damnation.

2Co 11:20 For ye suffer, if a man bring you into bondage, if a man **devour** (exploits) you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face.

Rev 11:5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and **devoureth** (devours) their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.

4. **Allos** is used here as a noun. It actually means another of the same kind and refers here to other Christians. It can be translated and often is rendered in the KJV: "other, others, another" and "otherwise." Examples:

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

1Co 1:16 (Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I don't remember if I baptized **any other** (anyone else.) 1Co 1:17 For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel -- not with words of human wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. 2Co 11:4 For if he that cometh preacheth **another** Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.

2Co 11:5 For I suppose I was not a whit behind the very chiefest apostles. 2Co 11:6 But though I be rude in speech, yet not in knowledge; but we have been throughly made manifest among you in all things.

2Co 11:7 Have I committed an offence in abasing myself that ye might be exalted, because I have preached to you the gospel of God freely?

2Co 11:8 I robbed other churches, taking wages of them, to do you service.

Heb 11:35 Women received their dead raised to life again: and **others** were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection:

Heb 11:36 And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment:

Heb 11:37 They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented;

Heb 11:38 (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

Take heed that ye be not consumed $\beta\lambda\epsilon\pi\omega$ mu analignw

1. Blepo Me Analisko is better translated "see that you are not consumed ..."

2. **Blepo** is a verb parsed as a 2nd person plural present active imperative followed by the negative adverb **Me** and the verb **Analisko** parsed as a 2nd person plural present active imperative.

3. **Blepo** appears more than 125 times in the New Testament where it is translated "beware, take heed, see, shall see" or "seen." Examples:

Mar 12:38 And he said unto them in his doctrine, **Beware** of the scribes, which love to go in long clothing, and love salutations in the marketplaces,

Mar 12:39 And the chief seats in the synagogues, and the uppermost rooms at feasts: Mar 12:40 Which devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayers: these shall receive greater damnation.

Rom 7:23 But **I see** another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. Rom 7:24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death? Rom 7:25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin. 1Co 3:10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man **take heed** how he buildeth thereupon.

1Co 3:11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

Heb 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not **seen**.

Rev 18:9 And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they **shall see** the smoke of her burning,

Rev 18:10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.

4. **Analisko** can be found in Scripture three times where it is translated "consume" or "shall consume." Examples:

Luk 9:52 And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him.

Luk 9:53 And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem.

Luk 9:54 And when his disciples James and John saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and **consume** them, even as Elias did?

Luk 9:55 But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of.

Luk 9:56 For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them. And they went to another village.

2Th 2:7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

2Th 2:8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord **shall consume** with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

2Th 2:9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,

2Th 2:10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

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