

Spiritual Depression: Its Causes and Cure by Dr. Martin Lloyd-Jones
Chapter 13: False Teaching
Galatians 4:15

Gal 4:15 Where is then the blessedness ye spake of? for I bear you record, that, if *it had been* possible, ye would have plucked out your own eyes, and have given them to me.

Lloyd-Jones – “The question confronting us is this: What was the cause of the change? What had happened to them? And the answer is perfectly simple, and can be put in one phrase – it was all entirely due to false teaching.”

The Galatians had forfeited their blessedness by heeding a false gospel, one that could not provide a sure salvation. Paul had preached grace to them and yet they were told that they must return to the law for their justification. This lesson will consider the general types of false teaching, provide tests to detect it, and a cure to release us from its snares.

1. What are the two major types of false teaching according to Lloyd-Jones?
 - 1.1
 - 1.2
 - 1.3 What is the particular false teaching that invaded Galatia?
2. State some modern day Galatianisms that we have to battle.
3. Describe the basis of Paul's answer to the false teaching that had come into Galatia.
 - 3.1 In terms of authority...
 - 3.2 In terms of intensity...
 - 3.3 In terms of sound doctrine...
4. Lloyd-Jones points out that false teachings either add or detract from sound doctrine. We know that in Galatians false teachers sought to add to the body of sound doctrine, state some examples in which false teachers have subtracted from the truth.
5. Finally, Lloyd-Jones mentions about 9 different items, either tests, observations, or characteristics to apply in analyzing false doctrine. State as many of these as you can.
 - 1) Test 1 regarding Apostolicity -

- 2) Test 2 regarding implications -
 - 3) A third thing found in Galatians –
 - 4) Another item regarding origins –
 - 5) The characteristic of “prominence” –
 - 6) The point mentioning additions to Christ –
 - 7) Another point regarding “faith” –
 - 8) A test concerning former Christian experience –
 - 9) A final word pointing us to the main thing of Christianity –
6. How you been side tracked by false teachings in your Christian pilgrimage and how have you responded to them or how has the Lord delivered you?