

## The Book of Galatians – After Paul’s 1<sup>st</sup> Missionary Journey

### **The Author:**

Paul, previously Saul, a Pharisee (Sanhedrin?), feared persecutor, highly educated (Gamaliel) (Acts 22:1-3) Tarsus a major metropolis (farm + sea + political/military importance) with a reputation for education compared to Athens and Alexandria.

### **Timeline:**

Written by Paul, Autumn of 49 AD.

16 Years after Pentecost

5-10 years after Book of James

After 1<sup>st</sup> Missionary Journey (Acts 14:23-28)

After Jerusalem Council vs. Judaizers (Acts 15:1-35)

Written from Antioch, just before 2<sup>nd</sup> Missionary Journey (Acts 15:36<sup>+</sup>)

### **The Church:**

Jewish believers and “God-fearers” and proselytes.

### **Fist Missionary Journey**

Cyprus and lower Galatia

Emphatic acceptance and emphatic hostility

Set up elders in every church (Acts 14:23)

### **Galatians Chapter One**

#### **Vs 1-5**

#### **Salutation**

v 1 Apostleship commissioned by God, not man

(Act 9:1-19, 13:2-3)

v 2 Includes the church at Antioch (Barnabas)

v 3 Grace and peace

v 5 Evangelism

#### **Vs 6-9**

#### **Another Gospel being preached!**

Judaizers!

#### **Vs 10-12**

Defends Apostleship

#### **Vs 13-24**

More background, but we don’t know exactly what he is refuting...