

Bible Study—Fall 2012
The Crucial Points of the Truth in Galatians
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The Revelation of God's Son in Us

- Gal. 1:15-16** But when it pleased God, who set me apart from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son in me that I might announce Him as the gospel among the Gentiles, immediately I did not confer with flesh and blood.
- John 17:3** And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Him whom You have sent, Jesus Christ.
- John 3:16** For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that everyone who believes into Him would not perish, but would have eternal life.
- 2 Cor. 3:16** But whenever their heart turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.
- John 14:6** Jesus said to him, I am the way and the reality and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

I. The desire of God's heart is to reveal His Son in us that we may know Him, receive Him as our life, and become the sons of God—John 17:3; 3:16; 1:12; Gal. 4:5-6:

- A. The heart of God is fully occupied with the living Person of His Son—Gal. 1:15-16:
1. The Son of God, as the embodiment and expression of God the Father, is life to us—John 1:18; 14:9-11; Heb. 1:3:
 2. For our experience and enjoyment, the living Person is the all-inclusive Spirit with the divine reality—John 1:14; 14:6.
 3. This One is life – the uncreated, eternal life of God – Who is versus religion formed by man in dead letter with vain traditions.
- B. Because of man's fall, we are easily distracted to care for other things in place of Christ. Man has a natural tendency to direct his attention to religion with its tradition.
1. If we would receive the revelation of the Son of God, we need to drop our concepts; every concept, whether spiritual or carnal, is a veil.
 - a. These veils can frustrate us from knowing Christ.
 - b. It is important for us to pray, "Lord, help me to drop everything that is a veil."
 2. Whenever the heart turns to the Lord, the veil will be taken away—2 Cor. 3:16:
 - a. Our turned-away heart is the veil. To turn our heart to the Lord is to take away the veil.
 - b. When the veils are removed, we will be under the shining of the heavenly light and we will receive the revelation of the living Person.

Questions:

1. What is the desire of God's heart (Matt. 17:5)?
2. What does it mean that every concept is a veil?
3. Give some examples of turning your heart to the Lord.

Hymn

- 1 Remove my covering, Lord,
That I may see Thy light,
And be deceived no more,
But all things see a right.

Oh, may Thy living light, Lord,
Scatter all my night, Lord,
And everything make bright, Lord,
For this I pray to Thee.
- 2 I hardly know myself;
Deceived so much by pride,
I often think I'm right
And am self-satisfied.
- 3 I know Thee even less;
In doctrine, shallowly;
True revelation lack
Of Thy reality.
- 4 As for Thy life within,
In darkness I mistake-
If spirit or the flesh,
One for the other take.
- 5 As for Thy way, O Lord,
I often am not clear;
I toward seclusion tend
And from the pathway veer.
- 6 As for Thy will for me,
I do not know it well;
I substitute my own
And often would rebel.
- 7 As for the church, I need
Thy revelation more,
The Body-life to know,
Thy wisdom to explore.
- 8 I long to be unveiled,
In everything made clear,
No more to be deceived
Or to my pride adhere.