



## SERIES TITLE ORIGIN

“Then they asked (Jesus), ‘What must we do to do the work God requires?’

Jesus answered, ‘The work of God is this: to believe in the One He has sent.’”

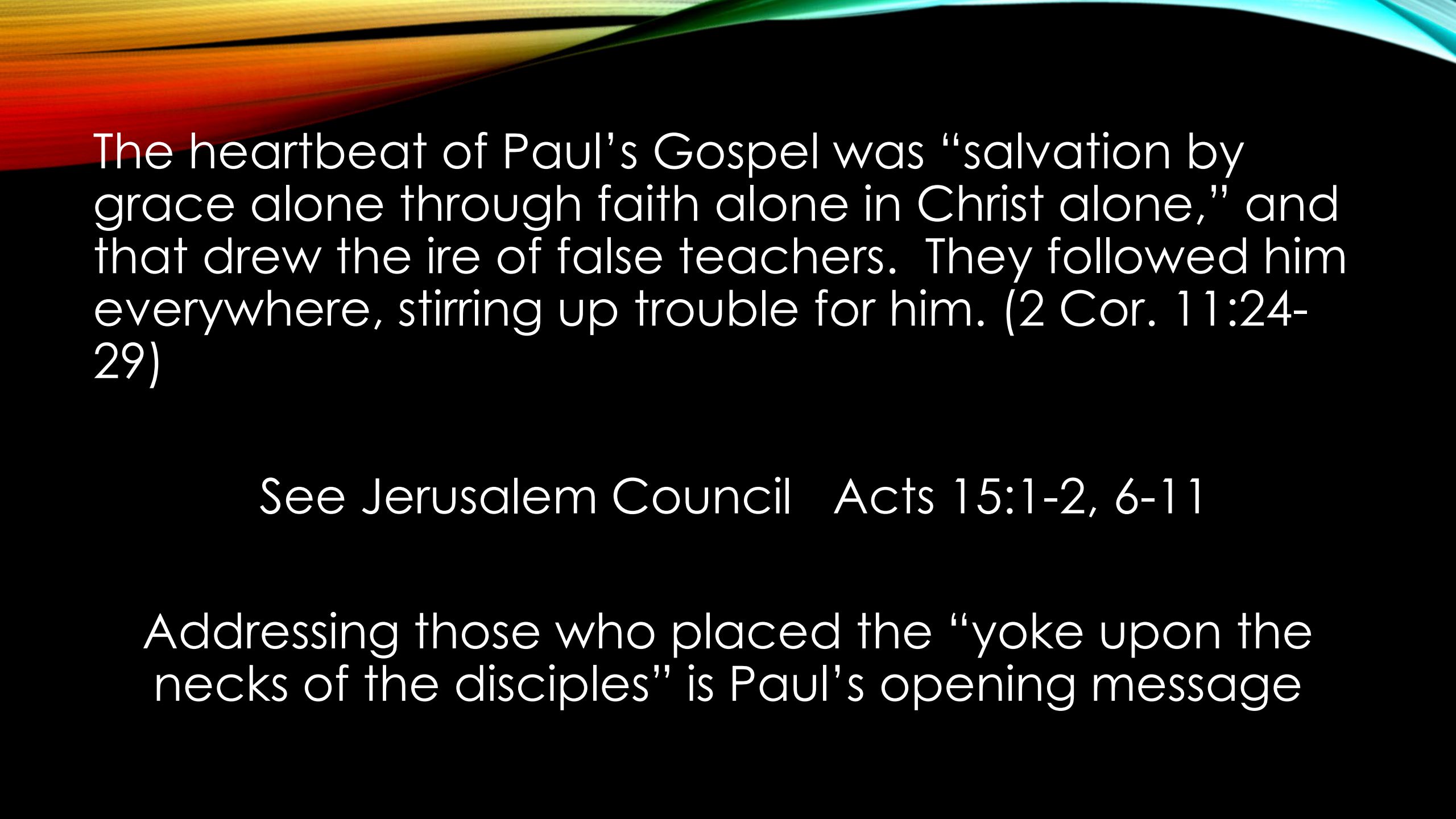
- John 6:28-29



## A LITTLE BACKGROUND

More details of Paul's mission and ministry can be discovered in Acts chapter 13 and following.

While Peter's ministry had focused more on the Jewish church in Jerusalem and Judea, Paul's mission was the spread of the Gospel to the Gentile church in the Roman world.



The heartbeat of Paul's Gospel was "salvation by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone," and that drew the ire of false teachers. They followed him everywhere, stirring up trouble for him. (2 Cor. 11:24-29)

See Jerusalem Council Acts 15:1-2, 6-11

Addressing those who placed the "yoke upon the necks of the disciples" is Paul's opening message



# THE WORK THAT GOD REQUIRES: DECEPTION, DESERTION AND DEATH

Galatians 1:1-9



VSS. 1-2

Acts 9:1-16 Paul's commissioning by Christ Himself

“To the churches in Galatia”

All the rest of Paul's epistles (letters) were written to a particular congregation or individual. Galatians was written to the churches in the region called Galatia



VSS. 3-4

“Grace and peace... from God...and Jesus Christ”  
Reaffirmation of the Gospel

Christ alone is our Rescue.

God alone is to be glorified.



# FORGET THE PLEASANTRIES...

Vs. 6-7 Deception led to desertion from grace.

Note the appropriateness of the term 'desertion.' It is a military term for an action punishable by death.

Desertion from grace leads to death.





“people are throwing you into confusion...”

Beware talking heads on the internet. The number of false teachers there is staggering, and the Enemy of our souls knows how gullible people are

Our best protection? KNOW GOD'S WORD



# PERVERSIONS OF THE GOSPEL

In a nutshell,

JESUS + \_\_\_\_\_

Paul wasn't addressing world religions here. He was addressing the fallacy that Jesus finished work on the Cross was insufficient



VSS. 8-9

“Let him be accursed”

“anathema” - Devoted to destruction in eternal hell

The crime?

Perverting the Gospel of Jesus Christ



# AND WHAT IS PAUL'S GOSPEL?

Romans 3:9-26

Ephesians 2:1-10

John 3:16



Two pressing questions:

Have I deserted the Gospel of Jesus Christ for some perversion which is, in fact, “no gospel at all?”

Am I trying to please men by peddling some perversion of the Gospel to those who are walking in darkness?