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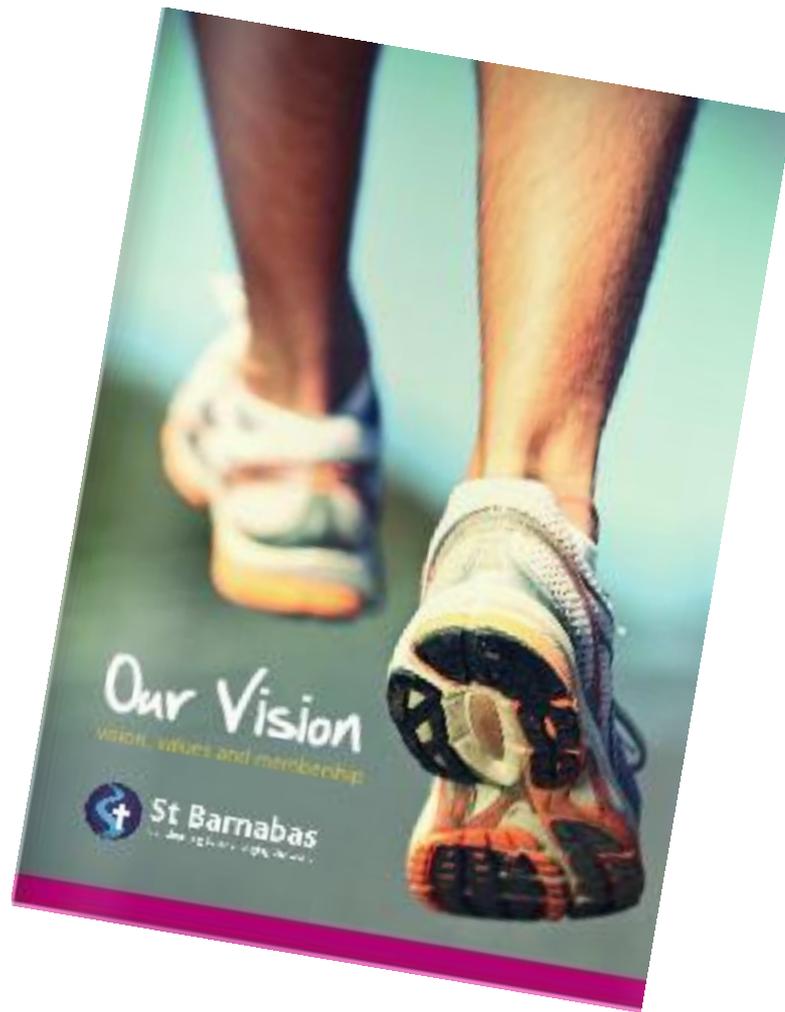
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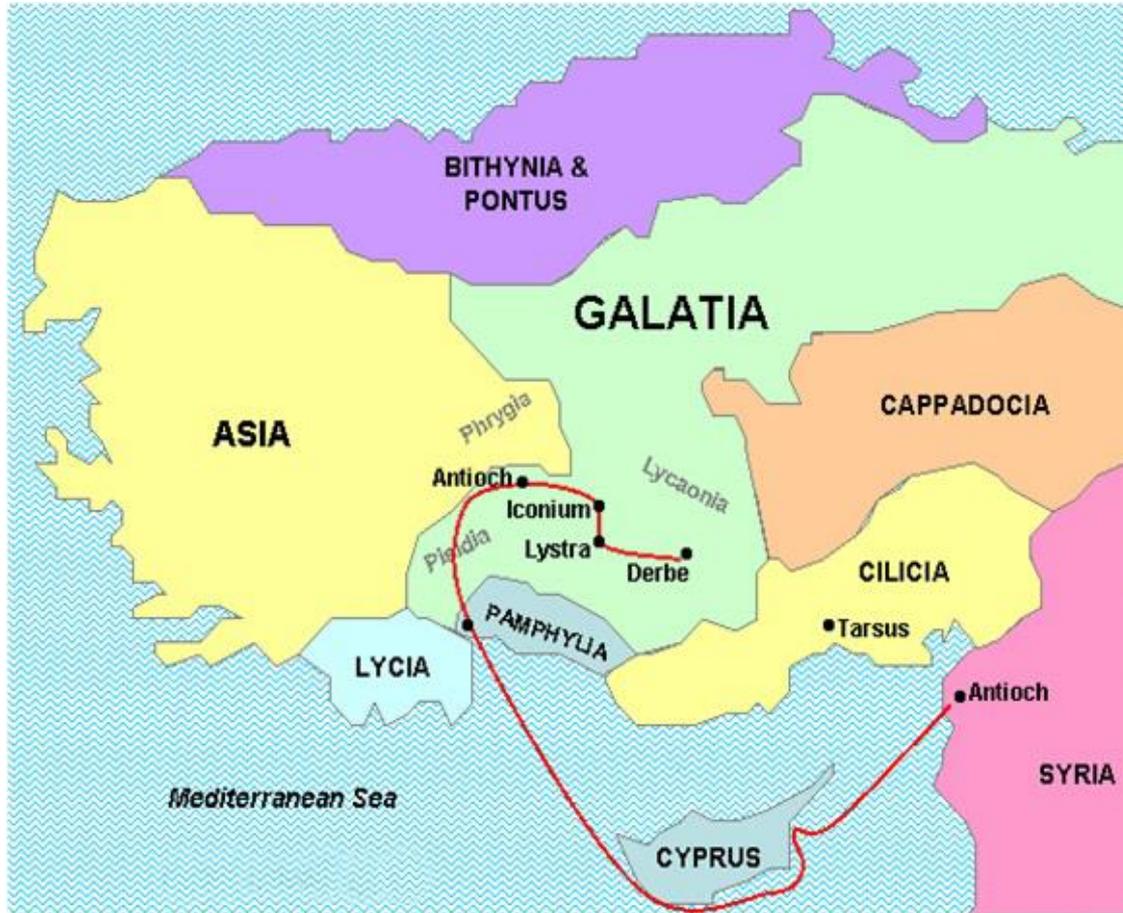






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## Acts 14:26-27

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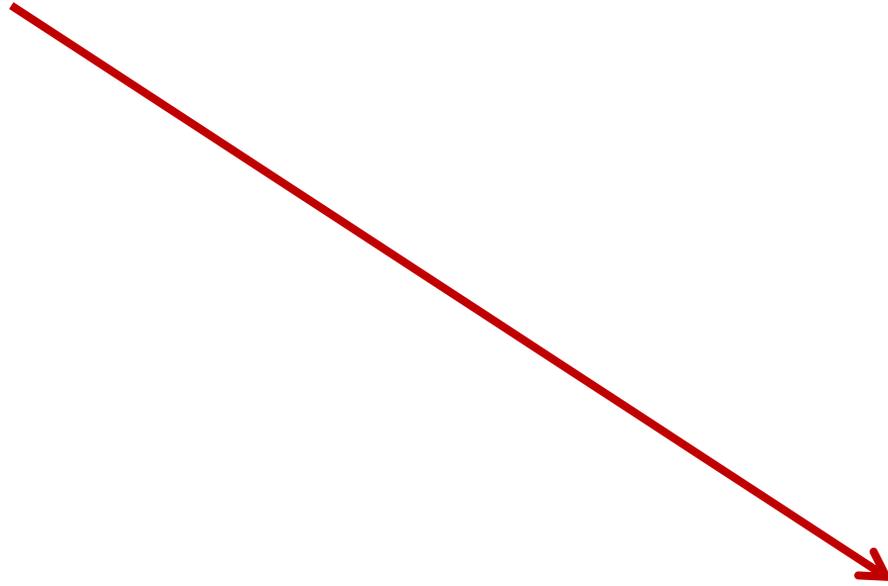
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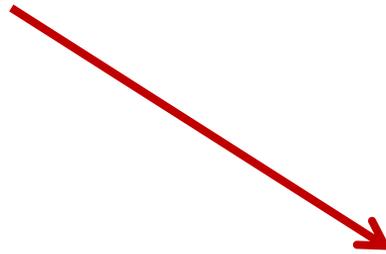
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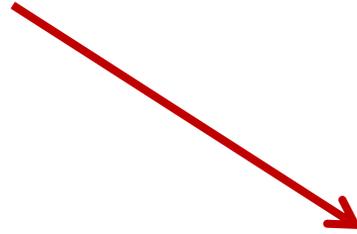
**Follower of Jesus**



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## Acts 15:1

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## Acts 15:2

This brought Paul and Barnabas into sharp dispute and debate with them.





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# Galatians 1 [Church Bible p 1103]

Paul, an apostle – sent not with a human commission nor by human authority, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead –



# Galatians 1

... and all the brothers and sisters  
with me, To the churches in Galatia:



# Galatians 1

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age,



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... according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.



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Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to pervert the gospel of Christ.



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But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let that person be under God's curse!



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As we have already said, so now I say again: If anybody is preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted, let that person be under God's curse!



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Am I now trying to win human approval, or God's approval? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ.



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I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel I preached is not of human origin.



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I did not receive it from any human source, nor was I taught it; rather, I received it by revelation from Jesus Christ.



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For you have heard of my previous way of life in Judaism, how intensely I persecuted the church of God and tried to destroy it.



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I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people and was extremely zealous for the traditions of my fathers.



# Galatians 1

But when God, who set me apart from birth and called me by his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son in me so that I might preach him among the Gentiles



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... my immediate response was not to consult any human being. I did not go up to Jerusalem to see those who were apostles before I was, but I went into Arabia. Later I returned to Damascus.



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Then after three years, I went up to Jerusalem to get acquainted with Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days. I saw none of the other apostles – only James, the Lord's brother.



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I assure you before God that what I am writing you is no lie. Then I went to Syria and Cilicia. I was personally unknown to the churches of Judea that are in Christ.



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They only heard the report: "The man who formerly persecuted us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy." And they praised God because of me.





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# Ephesians 1:3-4

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ ... For he chose us in him **before the creation of the world** to be holy and blameless in his sight.



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# Ephesians 2:8

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the **gift** of God.



# Revelation 22:18



... and let the one who wishes take the **free gift** of the water of life.





**Loan**



**Gift**



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