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**Scripture:** Galatians 1:6-12

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**Title:** Word & Deed, Part 1

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**Galatians 1:6-12** - I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting him who called you in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel—<sup>7</sup> not that there is another one, but there are some who trouble you and want to distort the gospel of Christ.<sup>8</sup> But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed.<sup>9</sup> As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed.

<sup>10</sup> For am I now seeking the approval of man, or of God? Or am I trying to please man? If I were still trying to please man, I would not be a servant of Christ.<sup>11</sup> For I would have you know, brothers, that the gospel that was preached by me is not man's gospel.<sup>12</sup> For I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

**The strongest basis for any argument:**

**Why people (sometimes) still resist it:**

**The one message to rule them all:**

1. Would you consider Bridges more of a "word" church or more of a "deed" church? Why?
2. Is it more natural for you to base your beliefs in what Scripture teaches, in your feelings, in what you have experienced, or in what others say is true? Which do you believe is the most reliable? Which has led you astray in the past?
3. When Scripture teaches something that isn't popular, what is your normal reaction? Believe Scripture anyway? Stay quiet? Disbelieve Scripture? Something else?
4. When have you stayed true to Scripture in the face of opposition? When have you buckled to pressure to modify or discredit what Scripture teaches? What were the results each time?
5. How would you articulate the Gospel?
6. How do you make sense of Paul writing that he "decided to know nothing except Jesus Christ and him crucified" even when he talked about many other matters?
7. What are some ways in which you can already see that all of Scripture points to Jesus?