*Wednesday, May 15, 2013*

**Galatians**

Galatians 1:6-7 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: 7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. (KJV)

Paul had barley left the Galatians only to find out how quickly they were being swayed away from the truth. This happens more often than many Christians realize, and is the reason why we have so many silly, farfetched denominations today.

1 Timothy 4:1-2 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; 2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; (KJV)

Notice the faith that some are departing from is singular; anything outside of ‘the faith’ puts you back on the devils turf, and many times it’s because Christians just get lazy and dull of hearing. The enemy can’t pull you out of the kingdom, but he will show a highlight reel of this world, which in the end turns out to be unreal.

1 Timothy 6:10-12 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. 11 But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. 12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses. (KJV)

Many of God’s people are getting knocked unconscious because they were a first round knockout. Anytime the enemy can get you to chase after something carnal, then you are no longer a contender for the crown.

1 Corinthians 9:25-27 And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. 26 I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: 27 But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway. (KJV)

A fighter is taught to keep his guard up or he could take a shot to the chin. By keeping the body in subjection to the Spirit you won’t be falling so quickly for things that end up too good to be true.

Jude 1:3-4 Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. 4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ. (KJV)

Church, in the end only the winners will be crowned; while all others will be sent away empty. So ask yourself honestly today, am I a contender or just another pretender?

God bless dearly loved, and have a very prosperous day in Christ Jesus our Lord.