

Study QUESTIONS

Ep. 1112: Does the Apostle Paul Contradict Himself (Part II)

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See:  CQ Rewind
SHOW NOTES

1. How can we help bear one another's burdens, yet be expected to bear our own burdens so as not to burden others? (See Galatians 6:2,5)
2. What are we warned about in Galatians 6:3,4? (See Albert Barnes commentary on this verse in the Show Notes.)
3. What does the term "anti-Christ" mean? Should we apply this term to Saul/Paul? (See 1 John 2:22; 1 John 4:3; 2 John 1:7)
4. How did God strengthen Paul in 1 Thessalonians 2:2? How did Satan 'stop' Paul from coming to Thessalonica in 1 Thessalonians 2:17,18?
5. Why didn't God remove the "thorn in Paul's side" (his weak eyesight), which Paul called "a messenger from Satan"? How does this tie into our discussion on God's strength vs. Satan's strength? (See 2 Corinthians 12:7-10)
6. How can we be sure to stay within the strength of God, through Christ? (See 2 Corinthians 12:9,10) What is a sure way we can allow Satan to trip us up?
7. Contrast "boastful (glorying in), arrogant, having pride" in 2 Timothy 3:2 and 1 John 2:16; with 1 Corinthians 1:31 and Jeremiah 9:23,24. Which set of Scriptures would describe Paul's attitude in *his* ministry? (See also Hebrews 3:5,6; Philippians 1:6; Philippians 4:13)
8. How do we reconcile 1 Timothy 6:20,21 with Colossians 4:5,6? (See also 2 Timothy 3:5 2 John 1:10 vs. 1 Peter 3:15). Why was this especially important for Timothy to hear?
9. What was important about Paul meeting with Peter and James, the Lord's brother? (See Galatians 1:15-20; CQ Show Notes, pages 16,17)
10. What is the simplest way to understand the *omissions* in the timeline of Paul's travels after his conversion? (See Acts 9:19,22-30; Acts 22:15-18; Acts 26:19-21; CQ Show Notes pages 18-21) Are the omitted details in some accounts a deception?