A NEW LANGUAGE

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Learning a new language can be difficult and challenging. When one seeks to become a citizen of a new country, he is often required to learn a new language.

When we become children of God, we too must learn a new language. Our everyday speech should have an entirely new ring to it. If we once used filthy language, "curse" words, or partook in lewd jokes, this should all change!

"But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth" (Colossians 3:8).

Perhaps we had a problem with lying when outside of Christ; this too should change. "Therefore, putting away lying, let each one of you speak truth..." (Ephesians 4:25).

Maybe we had a problem with backbiting, gossip, slander, or outbursts of wrath. Eliminate them. We are now citizens of heaven (Phil 3:20), and we must learn the language; a language of sharing the gospel with the lost, a prayerful language, a worshipful language, an exhorting language, etc. Learning this new language can be challenging, but through Christ, you can do it! \nearrow

Welcome to our services and thank you for visiting. If you have any questions about our beliefs or practices, please don't hesitate to ask.

God has not only commanded us to worship Him, but has also told us how, in His word. The elements of our services, as prescribed by God's word, are as follows:

- SINGING: Ephesians 5:18,19; Colossians 3:16
- PREACHING/TEACHING: Acts2:42; Eph. 4:11,12
- **PRAYING:** Acts 2:42: Acts 12:5
- LORD'S SUPPER: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Acts 20:7
- GIVING: 1 Corinthians 16:1,2; 2 Corinthians 9:6,7



COME WORSHIP WITH US!

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY...9:00 SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP......10:00 SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP......6:00 WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES....7:00

EVERYONE WELCOME!

- > www.defendthegospel.com
- > Weekly Article: Rutherford Reader
- ≥ 3rd Sunday Singing Practice: 5 pm
- ➤ 4th Sunday Singing Night: 6 pm
- Radio program on wgns. 15 minute sermon every Sunday morning from 10:45 - 11:00.
- Children's Class: Every 2nd & 4th Sunday at 5:30 pm
- 5th Sunday Prayer Service, 6 pm
- Men's Business Meeting. 1st Sunday evenings following services.

SOUTHSIDE SEARCHER

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ANOTHER GOSPEL? Michael Pickford

Paul had some stout words for the 2:14). This is how any who would come 10. First we see the...

Concern. "I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you..." (Galatians 1:6). Paul was concerned about the faithfulness of churches all over the world; particularly those he planted or helped to plant. In fact, he had a "Deep concern for all the churches" (2 Corinthians 11:28). Paul's "Second missionary Journey" came about because he wanted to visit the churches they had planted and "See how they are doing" (Acts 15:36). We, too, should be concerned about the faithfulness of our brethren across the globe, keeping them in our prayers (Ephesians 6:18). Notice next the...

Corruption. In reality there is only one true Gospel, but there were those in Galatia trying to pervert (corrupt) the true Gospel. Some of them had come into the church undercover for the purpose of enslaving Gentile Christians to the Law of Moses (Galatians 2:4). They insisted that one cannot be saved unless he is physically circumcised (Acts 15:1). But the Galatians had been called through the hearing of the Gospel (2 Thessalonians

churches of Galatia in Galatians 1:6- to Christ is called (Romans 10:17). They were not called through the works of the law (Galatians 3:2). They became "Sons of God," not by being circumcised, but by believing in Christ and being baptized (Galatians 3:26-27; see Mark 16:16). The corruption of these false teachers was actually a changing of God's plan of salvation. Many today are doing the same thing by insisting that one becomes a child of God through faith alone. The Bible specifically states that a man is not "Justified" by "Faith only" (James 2:24), and that salvation is for those who "Obey" Christ (Hebrews 5:8-9). Faith is essential (John 8:24), but one must also repent (Acts 2:38), confess his faith (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized in order to obtain salvation and become a son of God (1 Peter 3:21; Galatians 3:26-27). Finally, notice the...

Condemnation. "Let him accursed." (vs 8) Anathema! The strongest possible word to use in condemning someone. Paul said that even if an angel from heaven, or even if he (Paul) himself preached to them another Gospel, let him be accursed! Those in our time who change God's plan of salvation need to take heed!

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A CONVENIENT DOCTRINE

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The doctrine that the Holy Spirit in the Christian directly guides his steps and/or directly "speaks to his heart" on a day to day basis is becoming more and more popular among professed Christians. By "directly" I mean other than *indirectly* through the teaching and guidance of the Spirit inspired Scriptures. It is a false doctrine, not taught in the Bible.

It is also a very **convenient** doctrine.

- 1. It takes away the need to diligently search the Scripture for guidance just listen to what the Spirit is saying to the heart.
- 2. It provides one with the assurance (?) that about anything he really wishes to do is right after all, that urge that he feels must be coming from the Holy Spirit.
- 3. It relieves one of the burden of having to wrestle with making the right choices the Holy Spirit will guide him to the right way.
- 4. It relieves one of having to give objective evidence to his critics for his course of action he can just claim that he doesn't need objective evidence because he has the Spirit in his heart guiding him.
- 5. It gives him an "out" in explaining any weird thing that he might do he was just following the urging of the Spirit.
- 6. It can give one an excuse for "unity in diversity" after all the Spirit in each one will surely guide him in the best course for **him**. Without a common objective standard, then who is to say that another is wrong when he is following what the Spirit in **him** is saying? This can also explain why different people claiming to be directly guided by the Holy Spirit can contradict one another and still be considered right.

Yes, convenient, indeed. But it is not right. The Scriptures, inspired of God (Holy Spirit) comprises the complete guide for the Christian (2 Tim. 3:16-17), completely furnishing him unto every good work. He needs to look to the apostles doctrine (N.T. Scriptures) for guidance and not to feelings, hunches, etc. that he can attribute to the Spirit's guidance in his heart. -

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SERMON NOTES

Search the scriptures daily to see if these things are so.

A Changeless Gospel in a Changing World

STUDY DAILY! Acts 17:11

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DUTY LIST...

Introduction:

SUNDAY MORNING

- > Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- ➤ Bible Reading by.....Robert Johnson Reading: Galatians 1:6-10
- > Song Leader.....Michael Pickford
- > Opening Prayer......Sam Miller
- ➤ Lord's Table:

Lead......John Nelson Serve.....Kenny Todd Serve.....Lynn Buttrey

Closing Prayer.....Tony Jenkins

SUNDAY EVENING

- ➤ Song Leader.....Tony Jenkins
- > Lord's Table.....John Nelson

MEETING SONG LEADERS

- ➤ Monday.....Robert Johnson
- > Tuesday.....Ben Reagh
- > Wednesday......Kenny Todd
- > Thursday.....Michael Pickford
- > Friday.....Ben Green

GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

There is only one true saving plan of Salvation outlined in Scripture. No substitutes will do. Have you really been saved? Get out your Bible and study the plan below.

- ➤ Hear The Gospel: Romans 10:17
- ➤ <u>Believe</u>: Mark 16:16; John 8:24
- Repent of Sin: Acts 2:38; Acts 17:30
- > Confess Faith: Romans 10:9-10
- Be Baptized: Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21
- ➤ Remain Faithful: Rev. 2:10

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