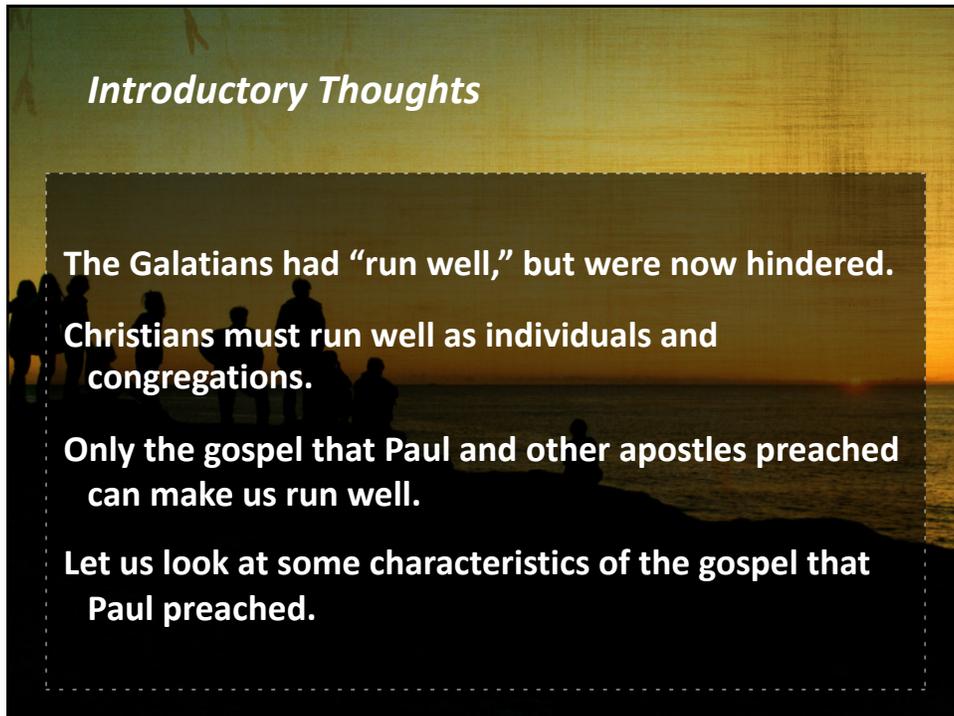




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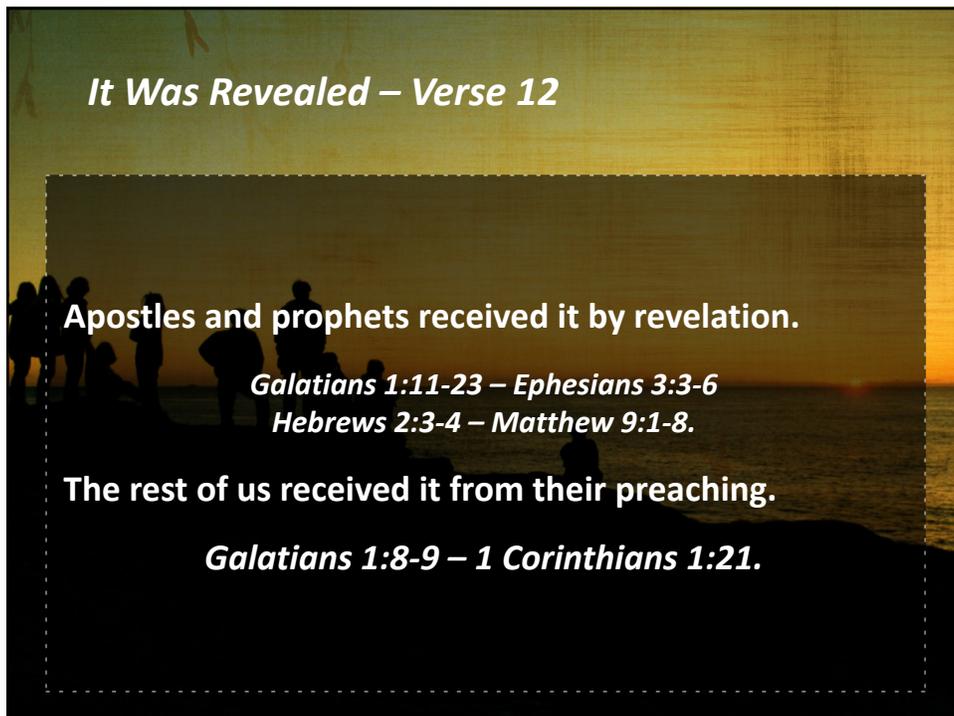
Introductory Thoughts

**The Galatians had “run well,” but were now hindered.
Christians must run well as individuals and congregations.**

Only the gospel that Paul and other apostles preached can make us run well.

Let us look at some characteristics of the gospel that Paul preached.

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It Was Revealed – Verse 12

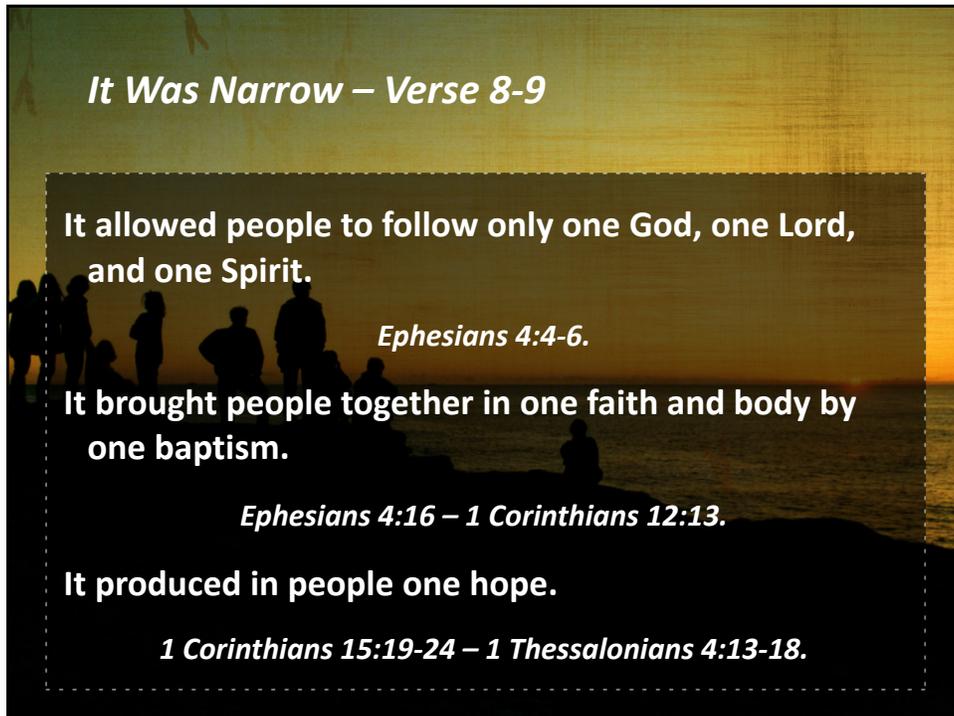
Apostles and prophets received it by revelation.

***Galatians 1:11-23 – Ephesians 3:3-6
Hebrews 2:3-4 – Matthew 9:1-8.***

The rest of us received it from their preaching.

Galatians 1:8-9 – 1 Corinthians 1:21.

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It Was Narrow – Verse 8-9

It allowed people to follow only one God, one Lord, and one Spirit.

Ephesians 4:4-6.

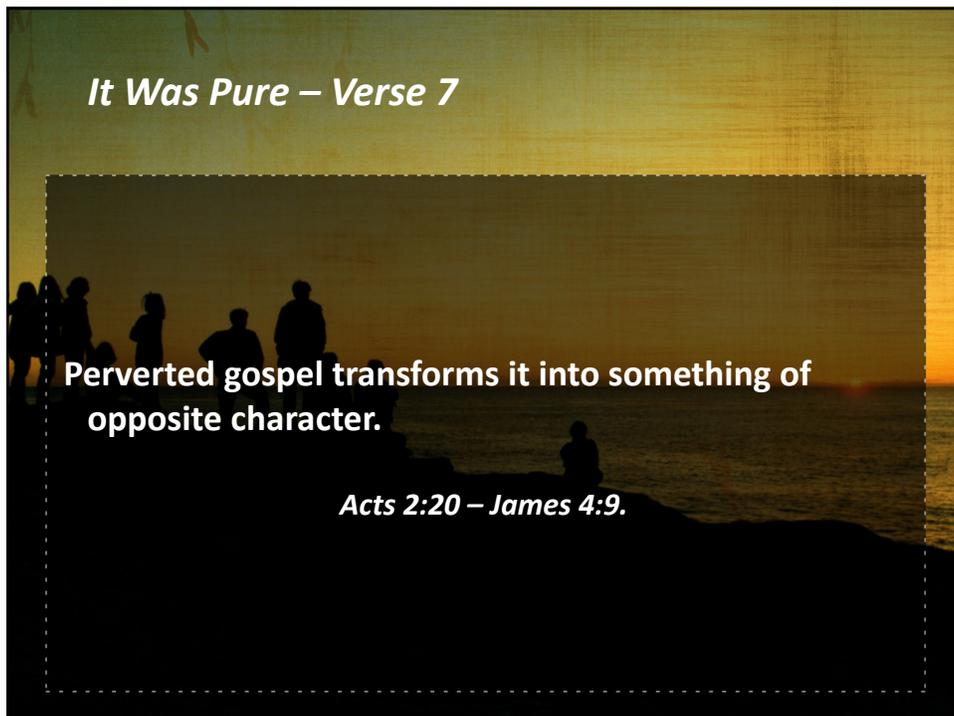
It brought people together in one faith and body by one baptism.

Ephesians 4:16 – 1 Corinthians 12:13.

It produced in people one hope.

1 Corinthians 15:19-24 – 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18.

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It Was Pure – Verse 7

Perverted gospel transforms it into something of opposite character.

Acts 2:20 – James 4:9.

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It Was Pure – Verse 7

A perverted gospel produces perverted results.

A perverted God = Idolatry, Non-punishing, Uninvolved, All tolerant.

A perverted Lord = An earthly king, personal savior to all who call him Lord.

A perverted Spirit = Direct operation and guidance.

A perverted baptism = Sprinkling and pouring.

A perverted faith = Mormonism, humanism, modernism.

A perverted hope = Premillennialism, date-setters.

A perverted body = Catholic, protestant, liberal, etc.

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Closing Remarks

Begin to run well by obeying the gospel that Paul preached.

Continue to run well by obeying the gospel that Paul preached.

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