



Growth Group Discussion Guide

Passage: Galatians 1:11-24

Introduction: In this passage the Apostle Paul develops his claim that the Gospel message he preached did not have human origin but was received directly from Jesus Christ. Paul provides evidence from his own story and describes the transformation God brought about in his life. This passage challenges us to consider how God's work in our own lives is meant to be a powerful testimony to the Gospel of Christ.



Into the Word

In verses 11-12 Paul explains that the Gospel he preached was received directly from Jesus. How does Paul counter the accusation that he received his Gospel from someone else? Why is it important that Paul address these accusations?

Note: Paul is not concerned with his reputation but the authority of the Gospel.

Compare: 2 Peter 1:20-21

Consider verses 15-16. How does Paul describe God's work in his life, even before his conversion?

Resource: [Ordo Salutis](#)

Consider verses 13-17. What was Paul's life like before his conversion? How did Paul's life change after his conversion?

Consider verses 23-24. What was the result of sharing Paul's testimony among the churches?



Into the Heart

Paul's testimony placed God at the center of his conversion. *Consider your own story.* How might placing God at the center of your testimony change how you tell it?

What are the biggest changes that knowing Christ has brought about in your life?

Note: Encourage one another by identifying ways you see God at work in each other's lives.



Into the World

What is the value of sharing your testimony with others? What keeps you from doing this?

Resource: [6 Principles for Sharing Your Testimony](#)

Who are the people in your life that have yet to hear your testimony? How might God use your testimony to bring them to Christ?

Note: Pray that the Lord might provide courage and opportunities to share our stories with those he's placed in our spheres of influence.