

The Gospel Changes Us Gal. 1:13 - 2:10

¹³ For you have heard about my former way of life in Judaism: ... ¹⁵ But when God, who from my mother's womb set me apart and called me by his grace, was pleased ¹⁶ to reveal his Son in me, so that I could preach him among the Gentiles, ...
Galatians 1:13-16 (CSB)

FOCUS: God changes people. This is done by a personal encounter that causes us to face the reality of who we are, who He is, and where we are headed. When we submit to Him, we are changed by the Holy Spirit for the work He has placed before us.

OUTLINE:

1. Who I Was - Paul the Persecutor (1:13 - 14)

2. God Interviewed (1:15 - 17, 24)

1. God did it (15a, 16a)
2. By Grace (15b)
3. Through Christ (16a)
4. For the Sake of Others (16b)
5. For His Glory (24)

3. Who I Became - Paul the Preacher (1:18 - 23)

1. To Arabia
2. To Damascus
3. To Jerusalem
4. To Tarsus

4. Who I Am - Paul the Defender (2:1 - 10)

1. The Private Defense (1-2)
2. The Public Defense (3 - 5)
3. The Proclamation Continues (6 - 10)

5. So What

1. The gospel was given by Jesus to change and empower us.
2. The gospel can change even those who are the most calloused to Jesus.
3. God defines you, not your past. God will continue to use your past to reach others for the gospel.