Shalom! May the name of our Lord Jesus Christ be forever blessed!

Welcome as we study the Word of God, by the grace of the Lord who has given it to us.

The Bible clearly warns in Galatians 1:7-9:

"...but there are some who trouble you and want to distort the gospel of Christ.

8 But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we preached to you, let him be accursed.

9 As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to what you received, let him be accursed."

These are words spoken by the Apostle Paul under the inspiration and authority of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit Himself set this warning as a seal for all generations, alerting us to the grave danger of distorting the gospel. It may be hard to believe that such strong words exist in the New Testament, but they are indeed there.

The Danger of Distorting the Gospel

There is great danger in intentionally altering the Gospel of Jesus Christ for personal popularity, to gain followers, or to become well-known. Teaching a gospel different from that preached by the apostles is what the Bible refers to when it warns against "adding to the Word of God."

Revelation 22:18 says:

"I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book."

When the Bible clearly states that fornicators, idolaters, drunkards, and other sinners will not inherit the kingdom of God, but someone says, "Do not judge" or "God does not mind alcohol consumption," this is a distortion of the true gospel, and therefore, cursed.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10:

"Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, 10 nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God."

Similarly, the Bible instructs women to dress modestly, not as a matter of hair styling or jewelry, but with good works and a respectful heart.

## 1 Timothy 2:9-10:

"Likewise, I want women to adorn themselves with proper clothing, modestly and discreetly, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or expensive clothes,

10 but with good deeds, appropriate for women who profess to worship God."

When someone says, "God looks at the heart, not clothes," without biblical basis, they are preaching a false gospel. The Bible itself judges The Danger of Preaching a Gospel Different from What is Written in the Bible

this distortion, declaring it accursed.

On Baptism and Salvation

Mark 16:16:

"Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned."

Ignoring or downplaying baptism is another form of preaching a cursed gospel, contrary to what the apostles taught.

A Call to Repentance

Perhaps unknowingly, some have preached these distorted gospels. Today, the Lord calls for repentance. Turn away from the worldly adornments, provocative clothing, or false teachings you may have embraced. Restore yourself to God's original design and follow the instructions of Scripture.

Revelation 22:10-13:

"Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, because the time is near.

- 11 Let the evildoer still do evil, and the filthy still be filthy; let the righteous still do right, and the holy still be holy.
- 12 Behold, I am coming soon, and my reward is with me, to repay everyone according to what he has done.
- 13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End."

If you accept these warnings and turn back to God, your soul will be saved. But even if you refuse, the gospel remains unchangeable—truth cannot be forced.

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