deserting God

Galatians 1:6

They Left What They Had Received

- Galatians is written to those who are already Christians (Gal. 1:6-9).
 - This means they have changed.
 - This means that they could fall away (1:6, 9; 2:5; 3:3, 26-29; 4:14-15; 5:7, 4).
 - This means that whatever is taught here is built on top of the instructions to become Christians (cf. 2:16; 5:1).
- This reminds us that the war begins at conversion, not ends.

They Had Help

- Paul repeatedly credits others for their departure (1:7-9; 2:4-5; 3:1; 5:7, 10, 12).
- People don't leave the Lord because they are studying His word (5:8).
- Paul takes a VERY aggressive stance toward those false teachers (2:5, 14; 5:9, 12).

They Needed to Consider the Conclusion

- Rejection of Paul meant rejection of Jesus (1:11-12).
- You cannot partially reject Jesus and still claim Him (5:1-3).
- You will reap what you sow (6:7).