

# A STUDY IN GALATIANS

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# APPROVAL ISSUES ROB US OF THE LIFE THAT JESUS CAME TO GIVE US

"FOR AM I NOW SEEKING THE APPROVAL OF MAN, OR OF GOD? OR AM I TRYING TO PLEASE MAN? IF I WERE STILL TRYING TO PLEASE MAN, I WOULD NOT BE A SERVANT OF CHRIST."

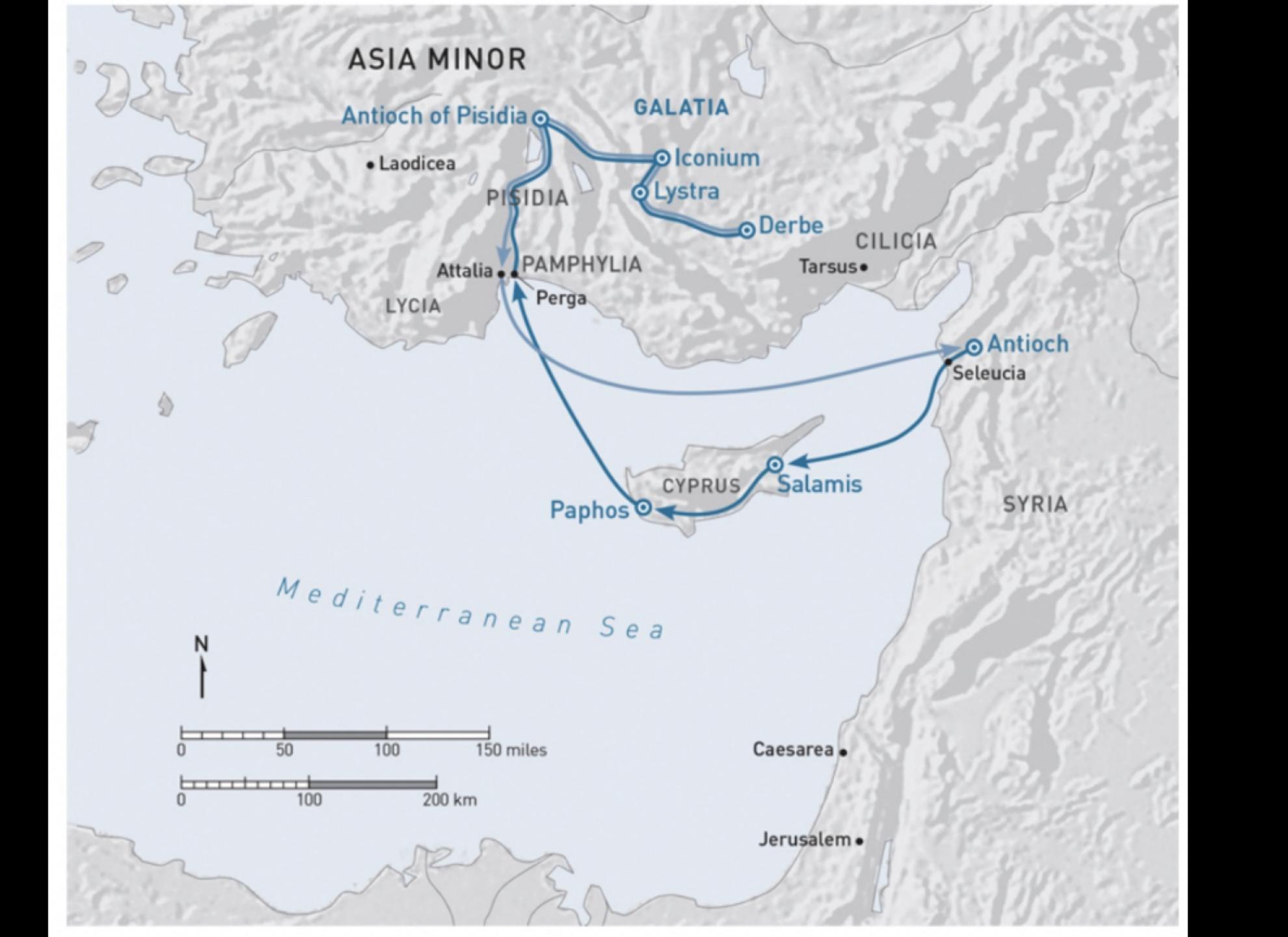
[GALATIANS 1:10 ESV]

### APPROVAL ISSUES ARE A GOSPEL ISSUE.

[GALATIANS 1:6-7; 10 ESV]

"6 I AM ASTONISHED THAT YOU ARE SO
QUICKLY DESERTING HIM WHO CALLED YOU IN
THE GRACE OF CHRIST AND ARE TURNING TO
A DIFFERENT GOSPEL — 7 NOT THAT THERE IS
ANOTHER ONE, BUT THERE ARE SOME WHO
TROUBLE YOU AND WANT TO DISTORT THE
GOSPEL OF CHRIST"

[GALATIANS 1:6-7 ESV]



# THE GOSPEL IS THE WAY TO LIFE AND A WAY OF LIFE.

#### APPROVAL ISSUES <u>ROB</u> ME OF MY <u>FREEDOM</u>.

[GALATIANS 1:10; 5:1; PHILIPPIANS 4:11-13 ESV]

#### "FOR FREEDOM CHRIST HAS SET US FREE; STAND FIRM THEREFORE, AND DO NOT SUBMIT AGAIN TO A YOKE OF SLAVERY."

[GALATIANS 5:1 ESV]

"SEE WHAT KIND OF LOVE THE FATHER HAS GIVEN TO US, THAT WE SHOULD BE CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD; AND SO WE ARE. THE REASON WHY THE WORLD DOES NOT KNOW US IS THAT IT DID NOT KNOW HIM"

[1 JOHN 3:1 ESV]

#### JESUS SETS ME FREE TO EXPERIENCE MY REAL: <u>IDENTITY</u>, <u>BELONGING</u>, AND <u>PURPOSE</u>.

[1 JOHN 3:1; MATTHEW 11:28-30;HEBREWS 12:1-2 ESV]

# WHEN WE <u>LAY IT DOWN</u> AND <u>LET IT GO</u>, WE TRADE IN BEING LIKED FOR BEING LOVED.

"28 COME TO ME, ALL WHO LABOR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN, AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST. 29 TAKE MY YOKE UPON YOU, AND LEARN FROM ME, FOR I AM GENTLE AND LOWLY IN HEART, AND YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. 30 FOR MY YOKE IS EASY, AND MY BURDEN IS LIGHT."

[MATTHEW 11:28-30 ESV]

"THEREFORE, SINCE WE ARE SURROUNDED BY SO GREAT A CLOUD OF WITNESSES, LET US ALSO LAY ASIDE EVERY WEIGHT, AND SIN WHICH CLINGS SO CLOSELY, AND LET US RUN WITH ENDURANCE THE RACE THAT IS SET BEFORE US, 2 LOOKING TO JESUS, THE FOUNDER AND PERFECTER OF OUR FAITH, WHO FOR THE JOY THAT WAS SET BEFORE HIM ENDURED THE CROSS, DESPISING THE SHAME, AND IS SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE THRONE OF GOD."

[HEBREWS 12:1-2 ESV]

## NEXT STEP QUESTIONS:

1. ARE APPROVAL ISSUES ROBBING YOU OF THE FREEDOM THE GOSPEL GIVES US?

## NEXT STEP QUESTIONS:

2. WILL YOU RELEASE IT ALL TO JESUS TODAY AND EMBRACE HIS FREEDOM?

## NEXT STEP QUESTIONS:

3. WILL YOU "LAY IT DOWN AND LET GO" TODAY AND RECEIVE HIS LOVE FOR YOU?



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