
PAUL'S ACTS AND POST-ACTS PARALLEL VERSES

TRUTH FOR TODAY

DISCOVERING THE TWO MINISTRIES OF GOD

- To redeem the world (mankind) through the Anointed of Israel
- To redeem the heavens through the Head of a called-out Body

DISCOVERING THE TWO MINISTRIES OF PAUL

- ACTS: Jesus as the promised Messiah, the King of a restored Israel on Earth
To redeem the earth
- POST-ACTS: Christ as Head of the Body, whose citizenship is in Heaven
To redeem the heavens

DISCOVERING THE TWO MINISTRIES OF PAUL

- When we RIGHTLY DIVIDE THE WORD OF TRUTH
- As commanded in 2 Timothy 2:15
- We observe the similarities of Paul's teachings to two different groups
- And how he expresses similar topics in different ways

LET'S LOOK AT SOME, BUT NOT ALL, OF EXAMPLES

- Each topic is the heading
- Followed by a verse in Paul's Acts epistles
- Then showing in red a similar verse in Paul's post-Acts epistles

REVELATION

*But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. ¹² For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the **revelation** of Jesus Christ. Gal 1:11-12*

*How that by **revelation** He made known unto me the mystery; Eph 3:3*

MYSTERY

*Now to Him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the **mystery**, which was kept secret since the world began, Rom 16:25*

*How that by revelation he made known unto me the **mystery**; Eph 3:3 Which in other ages was not made known to the sons of means it is now revealed unto His holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. Eph 3:5*

BODY OF CHRIST

*So we, being many, are one **body** in **Christ**, and every one members one **of** another. Rom 12:5*

*¹² For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ. 1 Cor 12:12 ¹⁴ For the body is not one member, but many. 1 Cor 12:14 Now ye are the **body of Christ**, and members in particular. 1 Cor 12:27*

*and gave Him to be the head over all things to the **church**, ²³ **Which is His body**, the fulness of Him that filleth all in all. Eph 1:22-23*

*Which are a shadow of things to come; but **the body is of Christ**. Col 2:17*



INNER MAN

For I delight in the law of God after the inward man Rom 7:22

*...but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day
2 Cor 4:16*

...to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man Eph 3:16



SPIRTUAL GIFTS/BLESSINGS

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant. *1 Cor 12:1*

Who having blessed us with every blessing that is spiritual in heavenly places in Christ: *Eph 1:3*

IDENTIFICATION

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me. Gal 2:20

*That I may know Him, and the power of **His resurrection**, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death; Phil 3:10*

ADOPTION

God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, ⁵ To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. ⁶ And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Gal 4:4-6

¹⁴ For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. ¹⁵ For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. Rom 8:14-15

Having predestinated us unto the adoption of sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, Eph 1:5

HIS WAYS

O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out! Rom 11:33

Wherein He hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence; ⁹ Having made known unto us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He hath purposed in Himself: Eph 1:8-9

Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles **the unsearchable riches of Christ;**⁹ And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:¹⁰ To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, Eph 3:8-10

PAUL: HIMSELF

*For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it: ¹⁴And profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers.
Gal 1:13-14*

Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless. Phi3:5-6

MEDIATOR

Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the Seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator.²⁰ Now a mediator is not a mediator of one, but God is one. Gal 3:19-20

For there is one God, and one Mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; 1 Tim 2:5

BAPTISM

¹³ For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit. 1 Cor 12:13

³ Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death? Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. Rom 6:3-4

*¹² Buried with Him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with Him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised Him from the dead. ¹³ And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath He **quickened together with Him**, having forgiven you all trespasses; Col 2:12-13*

CIRCUMCISION

For circumcision verily profiteth, if thou keep the law: but if thou be a breaker of the law, thy circumcision is made uncircumcision. ²⁶ Therefore if the uncircumcision keep the righteousness of the law, shall not his uncircumcision be counted for circumcision? ²⁷ And shall not uncircumcision which is by nature, if it fulfil the law, judge thee, who by the letter and circumcision dost transgress the law? ²⁸ For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: ²⁹ But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God. Rom 2:25-29

Is He the God of the Jews only? is He not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also:³⁰ Seeing it is one God, which shall justify the circumcision by faith, and uncircumcision through faith. Rom 3:29-30

*¹¹ In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: ¹² Buried with Him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with Him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised Him from the dead. ¹³ And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath He **quickened together with Him**, having forgiven you all trespasses; Col 2:11-13*

ORDINANCES

Then verily the first covenant had also ordinances of divine service, and a worldly sanctuary. Heb 9:1

The Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing: ⁹ Which was a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience; ¹⁰ Which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation. Heb 9:8-10

¹⁴ Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to His cross; ¹⁵ And having spoiled principalities and powers, He made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it. ¹⁶ Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days: ¹⁷ Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ. ¹⁸ Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind, ¹⁹ And not holding the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God. ²⁰ Wherefore if ye be dead with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances, ²¹ (Touch not; taste not; handle not; ²² Which all are to perish with the using;) after the commandments and doctrines of men? ²³ Which things have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body: not in any honour to the satisfying of the flesh. Col 2:14-23

WISDOM

*⁶ Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not **the wisdom of this world**, nor of **the princes of this world**, that come to nought: ⁷ But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: ⁸ Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. I Cor 2:7*

*⁹ And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: ¹⁰ To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church **the manifold wisdom of God**, ¹¹ According to the eternal purpose which He purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: Eph 3:9-11*

PERFECTION

Let us go on to perfection Heb 6:1

Not as though I ...were already perfect *Phil 3:12*

¹² For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: *Eph 4:12*



PERDITION

We are not of them that draw back to perdition Heb 10:39

Whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things *Phil 3:19*



REWARD

Cast not away therefore your confidence which hath great recompense of reward Heb 10:35

I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus *Phil 3:14*

⁸ Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.
2 Tim 4:8



RACE

Let us run with patience the race that is set before us Heb 12:1

I press toward the mark...Striving together *Phil 3:14, 1:2*

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:
2 Tim 4:7



FORGETTING

Leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on... Heb 6:1

Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth... *Phil 3:13*

That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;...put on... Eph 4:22, 24



RESURRECTION

not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection: Heb 11:35

If by any means I might attain unto the (out)resurrection of the dead. *Phil 3:11*

When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory.
Col 3:4

WORK

Make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. Heb 13:21

For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure. Phil 2:13

THE CROSS

*Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,
2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. Heb 12:1-2*

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: 6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: 7 But made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: 8 And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name: Phil 2:5-9



ENEMIES

If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put Him to an open shame. Heb 6:6

For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: *Phil 3:18*



MEAT

...as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright. Heb 12:16

whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, *Phil 3*



CONTENTMENT

Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. Heb 13:5

Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. *Phil 4:11*

COMMUNICATING

But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. Heb 13:16

Notwithstanding ye have well done, that ye did communicate with my affliction. ¹⁵ Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only. *Phil 4:14, 15*



SACRIFICE

But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. Heb 13:16

But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God. *Phil 4:18*



FRUITS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby. Heb 12:11

Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God. Phil 1:11

NO OTHER

*I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto **another gospel**: ⁷Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. ⁸ But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. ⁹ As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach **any other gospel** unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed. Gal 1:6-9*

*that thou mightest charge some that they teach **no other doctrine**, ⁴ Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in faith: so do. 1 Tim 1:3-4*

BE WITH THE LORD

Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: ⁷ (For we walk by faith, not by sight:) ⁸ We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. (2 Cor 5:6-8)

...so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death.
²¹ For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.²² But if I live in the flesh, this is the fruit of my labour: yet what I shall choose I wot not.²³ For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better: *Phil 1:20-23*

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