The Certified Gospel
Galatians 1:6-12

Introduction:
A. Paul preached the certified gospel. (cf. Certified seed, certified checks).
B. Paul preached four characteristics of the certified gospel in Galatians:

Discussion:
I. **The Certified Gospel Is Revealed.** (1:12).
   A. Apostles received it by revelation. (Gal. 1:11-20; cf. Eph. 3:3,5).
      1. Claimed direct revelation — but anyone can so claim.
      2. Confirmed direct revelation by visible power. (Heb. 2:3,4).
   B. Others received it by preaching. (Gal. 1:8,9; cf. 1 Cor. 1:21).
      1. We have no right to expect direct revelation
      2. We have no right to claim direct revelation today.

II. **The Certified Gospel Is Exclusive.** (1:8,9).
    A. It came from one God, one Lord, and one Spirit. (Eph. 4:4-6).
    B. It produces one faith, one hope, and one baptism. (Eph. 4:4-6).
    C. It commands one baptism. (Eph. 4:5).
    D. It endorses but one way of truth. (Gal. 1:8,9).
       1. Opposes any other doctrine. (1 Tim. 1:3; 2 John 9-11).
       2. Refuses compromise with any other. (Gal. 2:4-5).

III. **The Certified Gospel Is Pure.** (1:7).
     A. A perverted gospel is “transformed into something of opposite character” (Vine) — cf. Acts 2:20; Jas. 4:9) — Hence, another in effect.
     B. A perverted gospel produces perverted effect.
        1. Perverted faith — Mormonism, humanism, modernism.
        2. Perverted hope — Premillenialism, social gospel, date-setters.
        3. Perverted body — Catholic, protestant, ecumenical, liberal.

IV. **The Certified Gospel Is Behavior-setting.** (2:14)
    A. It sets standard for moral behavior. (Gal. 2:14; Tit. 2:11,12) — Demands dealing uprightly with family, friends, neighbors and enemies.
    B. It set spiritual standards of behavior. (2 Tim. 2:5; Jno. 4:24; Acts 2:42; Mt. 15:9; 1 Cor. 15:58). — Tells what to do to be saved and to stay saved.

Conclusion:
A. Obey certified gospel plan of salvation. (B.R.C.B)
B. Obey only doctrine with apostolic certification — believe no other — obey no other day by day.