

## 1-The Author: Paul, God's Authoritative Apostle

- Paul's Apostolic Authority was being attacked
- Paul defends his Apostolic Authority (v1)

"Apostle" = a select group of personally-commissioned, authoritative, eye-witness messengers of Jesus Christ

## 2-The Readers: The Churches in Galatia

- God's universal church is manifest in local churches
- God's people are blessed by God through Christ (gospel message)
  - 1-Jesus Christ gave Himself to rescue us
  - 2-God the Father drew up the plan
  - 3-God gets all the glory (not us)