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1-Your experience of Christian conversion (9-12)

- Your past—you did not know God & were slaves to false gods
- Your present—you know God, chosen by His grace
- Your danger—returning to your former bondage

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2-Your relationship with godly leaders (12-20)

- Remember your past relationship to Paul
 - I became like you to reach you
 - You received me (and my gospel) in my weakness
- Contrast that with your present relationship with the agitators
 - Improper zeal (agitators)—manipulating with “love”
 - Proper zeal (Paul)—sacrificial, Christ-exalting love