

What Are 'None Other Things'?

Paul testified and God inspired it to be recorded in His word that Paul taught NOTHING NEW. While he may have clarified some things, they were things that were already spoken by the prophets before him:

Acts 26:22 Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, **saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come:**

At his appearance before Agrippa, Paul answered for himself, and asked the king to patiently hear him (Acts 26:1-2). Before he was called and commissioned by the Lord Jesus Christ, he punished and persecuted Christians (Acts 26:9-12), and in so doing, he persecuted Christ (Acts 26:15) just as Jesus had taught His disciples when He was on earth:

Matt 25:40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, **Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.**

God had mercy upon Paul when he was an ignorant, unbelieving blasphemer in order for him to be the first sinner on which God showed His longsuffering (1 Tim 1:13,16) even as Peter also witnessed:

2 Peter 3:15 And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; (also 2 Peter 3:9) even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;

What was the ministry that Paul received of the Lord Jesus Christ? He testified the gospel of the grace of God (Acts 20:24) to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile (Rom 1:16):

Acts 26:16-18 But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, **to make thee a minister and a witness** both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee;

17 Delivering thee from **the people,**
and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee,

- 18 • To open their eyes,
• and to turn them from darkness to light,
and from the power of Satan unto God,
• that they may receive forgiveness of sins,
• and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.

What were those 'none other things' that God helped Paul

to witness (Acts 26:22)? The verse following that statement tells us:

Acts 26:22-23 Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, **saying none other things than those which the prophets**
and Moses did say should come:

- 23 • That **Christ should suffer,**
• and that he should be the first that should **rise from the dead,**
• and should shew light unto **the people,**
and to the Gentiles.

That's the same gospel message **from the scriptures**

that **the risen, glorified Lord** had given to His disciples.

That's the same order the gospel was ordained to flow to the Jew 1st:

Luke 24:44-47 And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which **were written in the law of Moses,**
and in the prophets,
and in the psalms, concerning me.

45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

46 And said unto them, **Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:**

47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, **beginning at Jerusalem.**

'That' gospel that we just read in Luke 24:44-47, that Jesus explained, is **the same gospel** that Paul declared to the Corinthians:

1 Cor 15:1-11 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand;

It is **the same gospel** the Corinthians believed to be saved:

2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.

That gospel that Paul received is **the same gospel** that was written in Moses, and the prophets, and the Psalms, concerning Jesus Christ:

3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that **Christ died for our sins (He 'suffered')** according to the scriptures;

4 And that he was buried, and that **he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:**

It is **the same gospel** that this list of many brothers preached:

5 And that he was seen • of **Cephas, (that's Peter)**
then • of **the twelve:**

6 After that, he was seen • of **above five hundred brethren** at once;
of whom the greater part remain unto this present,
but some are fallen asleep.

7 After that, he was seen • of **James;**
then • of **all the apostles.**

8 And last of all he was seen • of **me (Paul)** also,
as of one born out of due time.

9 For **I am the least of the apostles**, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

10 But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

11 Therefore whether it were **I (Paul - vs. 8 at the last)**
or **they (Cephas/Peter, the twelve - vs. 5,**
500 + brothers - vs. 6,
James, all the apostles - vs 7),
so we (all of them) preach, and so ye believed.

'Mid-Acts-ers' only give the gospel out of 1 Cor 15, verses 3 and 4. They fail to use the **context** and read on down through verse 11, like we just did because it proves them wrong. Paul did not preach a unique gospel.

Here is another verse 'mid-Acts-ers' mis-use to try to make the gospel Paul preached be different from what the others preached, based on the word 'that' in the phrase 'that gospel'. In the Greek it is the word <euaggelion>, which is written 77 times and translated:

- gospel - 15 times
- the gospel - 43 times
- of the gospel - 17 times
- with the gospel - 1 time
- that gospel - 1 time.

There is NO problem with the KJV translation. The problem is with the 'mid-Acts-ers' who build a doctrine of 2 different gospels, on the word 'that' which we saw did not even have a specific Greek word for it:

Gal 2:2 And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them **that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles,** but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain.

'What' gospel did Paul preach among the Gentiles? Sometimes the Holy Spirit called it 'the gospel of God' -- other times, 'the gospel of Christ':

2 Cor 11:7 Have I committed an offence in abasing myself that ye might be exalted, because **I have preached to you the gospel of God** freely?

Rom 15:19 Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, **I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.**

The gospel of God was about Christ. That's how it is called

BOTH 'the gospel of God' and 'the gospel of Christ'. 'That gospel' was promised **before Paul** was separated unto it by God's prophets. That's how Paul could say the gospel was 'according to the scriptures':

Rom 1:1 Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle,
separated unto the gospel of God,

2 **(Which he had promised afore by his prophets
in the holy scriptures,)**

3 **Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord,** which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh;

4 And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, **by the resurrection from the dead:**

'That gospel' the gospel of God the gospel of Christ was

for obedience! 'Mid-Acts-ers' don't like that! **A gospel to be OBEYED?**

Oh, no! 'Mid-Acts-ers' say that is putting them under the law!

5 By whom we have received grace and apostleship,
for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:

6 Among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ:

7 To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Peter asked about the end of those who do NOT obey the gospel of God:

1 Peter 4:17 For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us,

what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

Paul answered that question about those who do NOT obey the gospel:

2 Thess 1:7-9 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,

8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God,
and **that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:**

9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

'Mid-Acts-ers' admit Gentile salvation was prophesied in the old testament but they say it was a 'different' Gentile salvation than the Gentile salvation that is happening today. How unreasonable! They invent a contrast with Rom 15, verses 8 and 16, and teach that Jesus Christ was preaching Gentile salvation **according to PROPHECY** but that Paul was preaching Gentile salvation **according to MYSTERY**. But we just read the beginning verses of Romans where the gospel of God, unto which Paul was separated, was promised before by His prophets in the holy scriptures:

Rom 15:8-12 Now I say that **Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers:** (What were those promises? Some of them are obviously about the GENTILES being saved, as the sentence is not finished yet):

9 **And that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy;**

as it is written, For this cause **I will confess to thee among the Gentiles,** and sing unto thy name.

10 And again he saith, **Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with** his people.

11 And again, Praise the Lord, **all ye Gentiles;** and laud him, all ye people.

12 And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles; **in him shall the Gentiles trust.**

Paul wrote boldly to the saints at Rome because of God's grace he had:

Rom 15:16 That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, **ministering the gospel of God,** that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

Just like we read that Jesus told His disciples to preach 'beginning at Jerusalem' (Luke 24:47) Paul preached the gospel in the same order:

Rom 15:19 Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that **from Jerusalem,** and round about unto Illyricum, **I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.**

Clearly, Paul functioned in accordance with Jesus' commission also:

Rom 1:16 For I am not ashamed of **the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.** (The Greek word <Hellen> translated here as 'Greek' was also translated 'Gentiles' 7 times.)

Also in Rom 2, verses 9 and 10, Paul wrote of those who did and did not **obey** the truth to the Jew first, and also of the Gentile <Hellen>.

'Mid-Acts-ers' don't speak of Paul preaching 'the gospel of God' because PETER also wrote of it (1 Pet 4:17) so, shouldn't they also have trouble with 'the gospel of Christ' because it began to be preached by John the Baptist? Many of them are probably not even aware of that:

Mark 1:1 The beginning of **the gospel of Jesus Christ**, the Son of God;

Where we already read in **Rom 1:3**, Paul wrote that the gospel of God was concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord and in **2 Thess 1:8**, we read about God's judgment upon them who obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I cannot imagine how anyone, who is **aware** of these verses and the phrases in them, could deny their relation to each other. That's why I say, "They don't believe Paul and they don't believe God."

That gospel Paul preached, was "none other things" than the gospel of God, the gospel of Christ -- which was written before in the holy scriptures.

This is David Dowell saying, "Think about it!"